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****Invitation to Media****

CONSUMER COUNSEL ELIN KATZ TO PARTICIPATE IN AARP

TELETOWN HALL MEETING

(December 16, 2013 – New Britain) – Consumer Counsel Elin Swanson Katz will be the featured speaker at a Telephone Town Hall conversation hosted by AARP, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that helps people 50 and older improve the quality of their lives.

A one-hour call will take place on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 from 10:00am – 11:00am. Members of the media are invited to listen-in on the live call. If interested, please contact Jennifer Millea at 860-548-3164 or jmillea@aarp.org for call-in information.

AARP members will have the opportunity to discuss with Consumer Counsel Katz consumer protections and other issues related to electric and telephone utilities in Connecticut. The Office of Consumer Counsel (“OCC”), along with AARP, fight for reliable and affordable telephone and electric services for Connecticut residents. For older residents, especially those living on fixed incomes, utility costs represent a significant portion of their monthly expenses. They depend on affordable, reliable telephone and electric service for a variety of personal health and safety reasons. The call will share information about proposals being considered that could impact utility services in Connecticut and provide necessary information about consumer rights and protections.

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The Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) is the State of Connecticut's advocate for all utility ratepayers. OCC seeks to ensure just and reasonable rates and reliable utility service for customers of Connecticut's electric, gas, telephone, and water utilities and reasonable protection for cable television customers. For more information, visit www.ct.gov/occ.