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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 30, 2024

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RE: DOCKET NO. 508 – The United Illuminating Company (UI) Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Milvon to West River Railroad Transmission Line 115-kV Rebuild Project that consists of the relocation and rebuild of its existing 115- kilovolt (kV) electric transmission lines from the railroad catenary structures to new steel monopole structures and related modifications to facilitate interconnection of the rebuilt 115-kV electric transmission lines at UI's existing Milvon, Woodmont, Allings Crossing, Elmwest and West River substations along approximately 9.5 miles of the Connecticut Department of Transportation's Metro-North Railroad corridor traversing the municipalities of Milford, Orange, West Haven and New Haven, Connecticut. Partial Development and Management (D&M) Plan I – Segment 1 Revision.

Dear Attorney McDermott:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated May 30, 2024, regarding a revision to Partial Development and Management (D&M) Plan I – Segment 1 for the above-referenced facility that was approved by the Council on June 8, 2023.

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) §16-50j-62(b), your request to perform the following is hereby approved:

- a) Install additional access road at the western end of the Y-shaped access road (located on the opposite side of the tracks as Structure P1042N);
- b) Eliminate a portion of the northern limits of the Y-shaped access road; and
- c) Remove rectangular portions of three work pads (located on the opposite side of the tracks as Structure P1043N).

This approval applies only to the Partial D&M Plan I – Segment 1 revision in the correspondence dated May 30, 2024.

Please be advised that deviations from the Council's Decision and Order and D&M Plan approvals are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to RCSA §16-50j-62.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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c. Service List, dated April 21, 2022



May 30, 2024

Melanie A. Bachman, Esq. Executive Director/Staff Attorney Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

> Re: Docket No. 508 - The United Illuminating Company Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Milvon to West River Railroad Transmission Line 115-kV Rebuild Project – Notice for Modification to Matting in Wetland WH-W12

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62(b)(2) and Attachment M to the project's Development & Management Plan, The United Illuminating Company ("UI") is hereby notifying to the Connecticut Siting Council (the "Council") of a deviation. The deviation will occur within wetland WH-W12 and is associated with temporary matting/hardware removal on the south side of the Metro-North Railway, west side of the West River.

Matting adjustments located in the wetland identified as WH-W12, are needed due to a previously unidentified private electric service wire hanging over the proposed matted access route from a distribution pole to a billboard. The wire is too low for utility trucks to pass under. The project is currently within an outage from a transmission service in order to perform the planned work, and access to this area is needed as soon as possible to conduct the work within the given outage timeframe.

Based on these concerns, UI plans to implement the following modifications and asks that the Council approve the same;

- a. Connect to the wetlands from the proposed work pad as shown on attached plan. See call out for "Proposed access road with 1,545 sq. ft of wetland impact".
- b. Eliminate the matted access road identified on the attached plan (see shaded area access road area) for 440 sq. ft of reduced wetland impact; this is where the electric wire crosses over.
- c. Remove small portions of three other work pads originally proposed for removals totaling 1,250 sq. ft of reduced wetland impact.



The above modifications result in a net reduction of impacts to WH-W12 of ~145 sq.ft. UI will proceed with the modifications following Siting Council approval. Advanced notice to proceed as quickly as possible, given the impending outage deadline, is appreciated. The ACOE and CTDEEP has given UI approval to make these types of modifications.

Erosion and sedimentation controls, including seeding and mulching, will be implemented following removal of matting as needed and in compliance with the Projects SWPCP and Segment 1 D&M Plan.

Changes implemented in this area are within UI's work pad and/or the CTDOT ROW, as denoted in the General Access Plans. Erosion and sedimentation controls specified within the Segment 1 Development and Management Plan will be installed. Changes do *not* include the construction or placement of temporary structures or equipment, will *not* change a structure type or location; and will *not* use additional or eliminate mitigation measures.

Should the Council have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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