



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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December 7, 2023

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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. **Development and Management Plan Revision.**

Dear Attorney McDermott:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated December 5, 2023, regarding a revision to Partial Development and Management (D&M) Plan I 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) Eliminate the matted access road located immediately north of the railroad tracks and east of approved Structure P1047N;
- b) Reduce the eastern work pad north of Structure P1047N in West Haven by approximately 685 square feet (sf); and
- c) Expand the western work pad north of Structure P1047N by approximately 1,065 sf and join it with the eastern work pad described above.

These modifications will result in net reductions of temporary impacts to inland wetlands and tidal wetlands of approximately 715 sf and 20 sf, respectively.

This approval applies only to the Partial D&M Plan I revision in the correspondence dated December 5, 2023.

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

MB/MP



December 5, 2023

Melanie A. Bachman, Esq.  
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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 on Inland and Tidal Wetlands Near the West River

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 change to the Segment 1 D&M Plan.

The General Access Plans depict two (2) work pads with matted access roads, respectively, adjacent to the West River, located near or on WH-TW1 and/or WH-W13. The work pads and associated matted access roads were intended to provide the contractor access to remove the I-beam located in WH-TW1. However, based on site conditions, safety concerns, and equipment maneuverability/capabilities, adjustments to the work pads in this area were requested by the contractor.

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

- A. Eliminate the matted access road immediately north of the MNR railway. This will reduce inland wetland impacts by ~1,175 sq.ft.
- B. Reduce the eastern-most work pad by ~685 sq.ft. This will reduce impacts to tidal wetlands by ~625 sq.ft. of tidal wetlands and inland wetlands by ~60 sq.ft..
- C. The western-most work pad will be expanded by approximately ~1,065 sq.ft. This will increase impacts to tidal wetlands by ~605 sq.ft., inland wetlands by ~460 sq.ft., and will join with the eastern-most work pad.

The total net reduction of impacts to tidal wetland WH-TW1 with these adjustments is ~20 sq.ft. The total net reduction of impacts to wetland WH-W13 with these adjustments is ~715 sq.ft. UI has provided these adjustments to the CTDEEP and consulted with the ACOE. The ACOE has given UI approval to make these types of modifications. UI has requested a de minimus change from CTDEEP and is awaiting approval. UI will proceed with the modifications following Siting Council and CTDEEP approval.



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

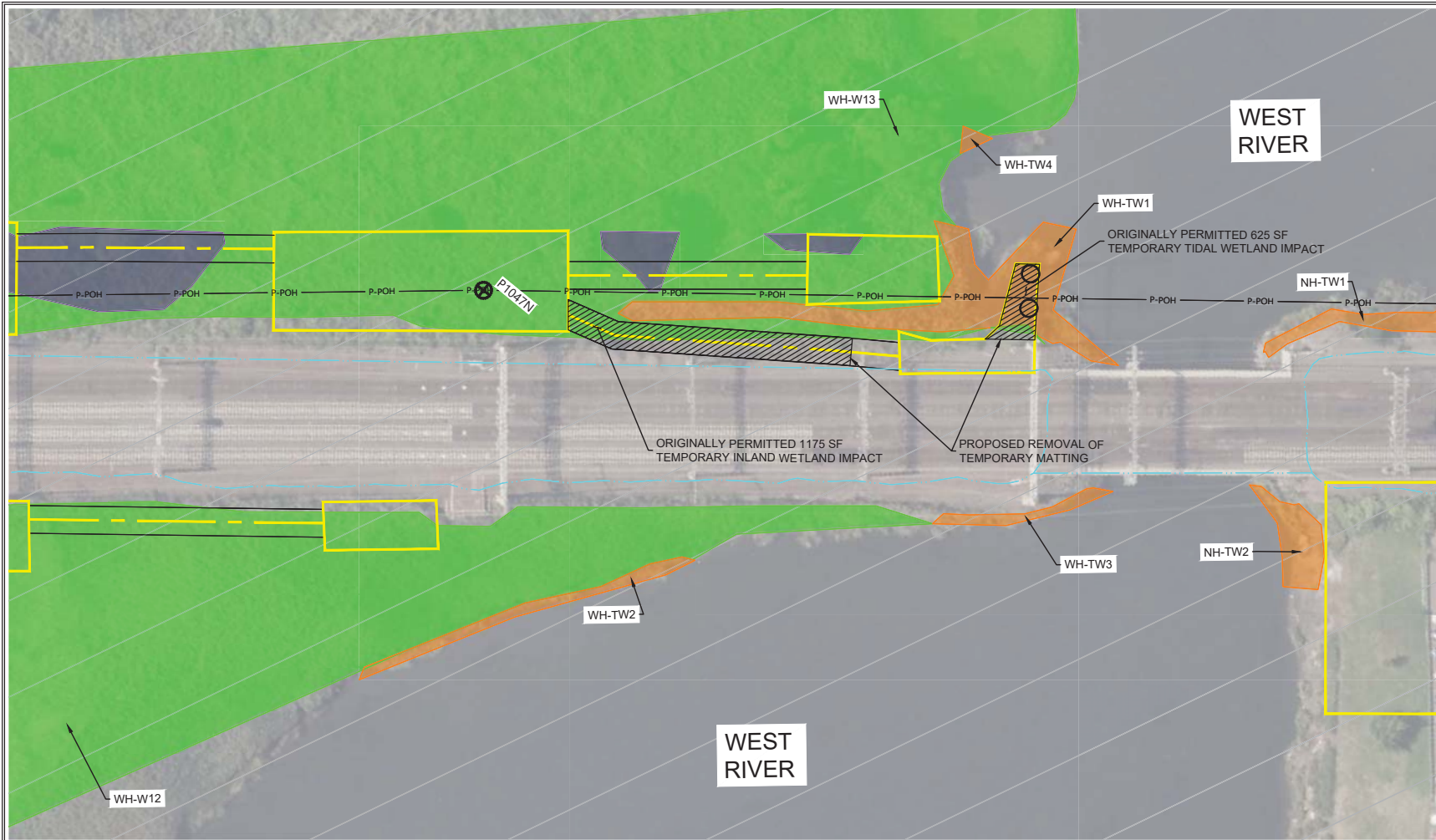
Very truly yours,

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Paul Kenline

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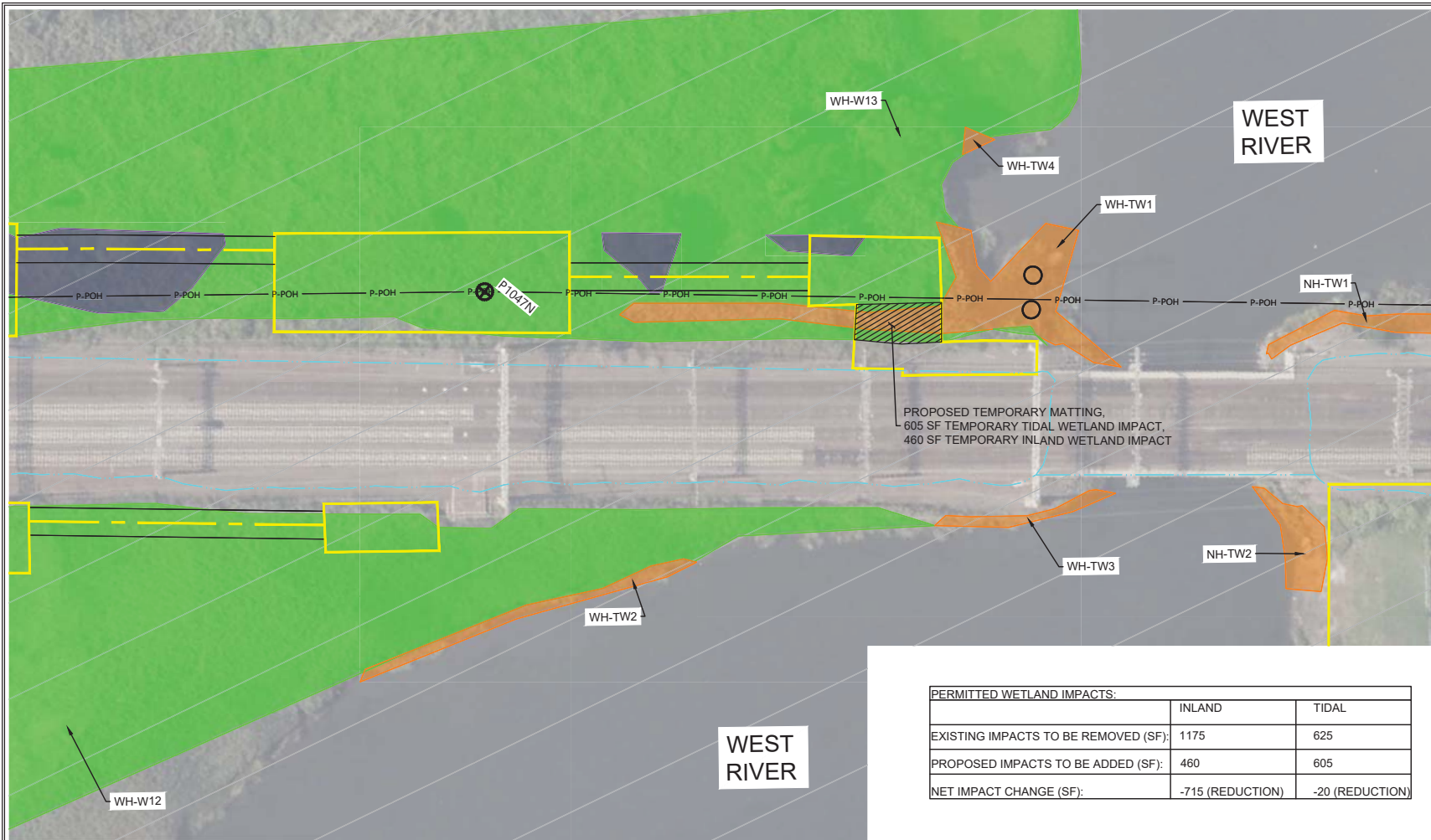
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 WEST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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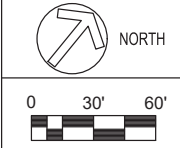
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	PROPOSED TRANSMISSION CENTER LINE		FIELD DELINEATED WETLAND		REMOVAL OF TEMPORARY MATTING
	PROPOSED TEMPORARY ACCESS ROAD		FLOODPLAIN		

**NOTES:**  
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SHEET NO.  
**C1.2**

PERMITTED WETLAND IMPACTS:		
	INLAND	TIDAL
EXISTING IMPACTS TO BE REMOVED (SF):	1175	625
PROPOSED IMPACTS TO BE ADDED (SF):	460	605
NET IMPACT CHANGE (SF):	-715 (REDUCTION)	-20 (REDUCTION)

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