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

Re: Docket No. 516 – The United Illuminating Company (UI) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Fairfield to

Congress Railroad Transmission Line 115-kV Rebuild Project

Dear Ms. Bachman:

On Mach 17, 2023, The United Illuminating Company ("UI" or the "Company") filed the above-referenced Application with the Connecticut Siting Council. Included in Appendix F of the Application is an Affidavit Regarding Publication of Legal Notice. As indicated in the affidavit, notice of the Application was published on February 17 and 28, 2023 in the Connecticut Post. Unfortunately, the February 28, 2023 notice in the Application is from the Connecticut Department of Public Health. The correct notice is enclosed and UI respectfully requests that the corrected notice replace the notice in the Application. The Company apologizes for this mistake.

An original and fifteen (15) copies of this filing will be mailed via first class mail to the Council.

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

Very truly yours,

Bruce L. McDermott

**Enclosure** 

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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION BY THE UNITED ILLUMINATING COMPANY

Notice of Application by The United Illuminating Company for Relocation and Rebuild of 115-kV Electric Transmission Lines in the Municipalities of Fairfield and Bridgeport, Connecticut Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50I(b) and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies § 16-50l-1(e), notice is hereby given that on or about March 17, 2023, The United Illuminating Company (UI) will file an application with the Connecticut Siting Council (Council), 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, for the issuance of a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Application) for the upgrade (relocation and rebuild) and operation of 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission lines located in Fairfield and Bridgeport. UI is proposing to remove its existing 115-kV lines and facilities from the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) railroad catenary structures that span the Metro North (MNR) tracks in both Fairfield and Bridgeport. Along approximately 7.3 miles of the MNR tracks, the 115-kV lines will be removed from approximately 190 railroad catenary support structures and rebuilt on single or double circuit monopoles, which will be located within or near the CT DOT-owned railroad corridor. In Fairfield, the new monopoles will be located south of the MNR tracks; in Bridgeport, the new monopoles will be positioned north or south of the tracks, depending on multiple factors such as existing substation alignment and the built environment. UI also will replace three existing doublecircuit lattice steel towers along its existing 0.23-mile right-of-way from the CT DOT railroad corridor in Fairfield to its Ash Creek Substation. In total, approximately 100 new monopoles will be installed. The Project also will provide upgraded 115-kV connections to four UI substations (Congress Street, Pequonnock, RESCO and Ash Creek), all located in Bridgeport. Together, these transmission line upgrades will help maintain system reliability, promote climate resiliency, preserve safety within and adjacent to the transmission lines and provide technological enhancements to legacy system equipment. Details on the Project will be included in UI's Application to the Council. If approved by the Council, Project construction is expected to begin in 2025. The new transmission lines are proposed to be completed and anticipated to be in-service by 2028. Interested persons may obtain copies of the Application from: Leslie Downey, The United Illuminating Company, 100 Marsh Hill Road, Orange, CT 06477 leslie.downey@uinet.com 888.848.3697 | <u>UIRailroadTLineUpgrades.com</u>

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