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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and Governor Lamont's March 14, 2020 Executive Order No. 7B, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on Thursday, August 6, 2020, beginning with an evidentiary session at 2:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will be on an application from The First Taxing District Water Department of Norwalk for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 173 ½ West Rocks Road, Norwalk, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive evidence on the applicant's assertions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility. The 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the applicant, parties and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. **No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.** The 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. During the 6:30 p.m. public comment session, the applicant will present an overview of the proposed facility.

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96405908998?pwd=Y3BtMTVlVmFrNTN3bzRjdkhRdFBnQT09>

from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at **1(929) 205-6099 (not toll free)** and then enter the **Meeting ID# 964 0590 8998** from a telephone.

Interested persons may join any session to listen, but must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session.

To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by computer, smartphone or tablet**, please send an email to siting.council@ct.gov with your name, email address and mailing address by **July 30, 2020**. To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by telephone**, please leave a voicemail message at 860-827-2935 with your name, telephone number, and mailing address by **July 30, 2020**. Public comments may also be submitted to the Council by electronic mail or by regular mail.

Any person may be removed from the Zoom remote evidentiary session or public comment session at the discretion of the Council.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed electronically with the Council and all parties and intervenors by July 30, 2020.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at siting.council@ct.gov, on or before July 30, 2020. Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days of the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be posted on the Council's project webpage and deposited in the City Clerk's Office of the Norwalk City Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by July 30, 2020.

Information about how the public hearing will be conducted and how the public can access it will be posted on the Council's Docket No. 489 project webpage at the following link:

<https://www.ct.gov/csc/cwp/view.asp?a=895&q=318776>.

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

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A copy of the application is available for review on the Council's website at <http://www.ct.gov/csc> under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 489.