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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 26, 2019

Kathleen M. Shanley Manager- Transmission Siting Eversource Energy P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

RE: **DOCKET NO. 461A** - Eversource Energy Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115-kilovolt (kV) bulk substation located at 290 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut, and two 115-kV transmission circuits extending approximately 2.3 miles between the proposed substation and the existing Cos Cob Substation, Greenwich, Connecticut, and related substation improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated April 26, 2019 regarding a revision to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the Underground Transmission Line portion of the above-referenced project. The D&M Plan was approved by the Council on January 17, 2019 and included a schedule that anticipated work within Bruce Park to be completed by April 30, 2019. The April 26, 2019 request for revision consists of extended work hours and a revised construction timeline to complete duct bank work within Bruce Park due to unanticipated subsurface conditions.

Upon consultation with the Town of Greenwich, the requested extended work hours and revised construction timeline are as follows:

- 1. April 30, 2019 through May 4, 2019. Construction work within Woods Road would be extended through 5 PM on May 4, 2019. Woods Road would be occupied during this time period. Woods Road must be cleaned and restored by 5 PM on May 4, 2019;
- 2. May 6, 2019 through May 10, 2019. Construction work would be limited to 7 AM and 5 PM on Woods Road and Bruce Park Drive, and, at the end of each work day, all materials and equipment must be removed from the project work sites within Bruce Park;
- 3. May 11, 2019. Construction work would be limited to 9 AM to 5 PM, and, at the end of each work day, all materials and equipment must be removed from the project work sites within Bruce Park; and
- 4. Any Project construction activities within Bruce Park that cannot be completed as of May 11, 2019 will re-commence on November 1, 2019 with an anticipated completion date of April 30, 2020.

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-62(b), your request for the extended work hours and revised construction timeline is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the D&M Plan revision request dated April 26, 2019. Any significant changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Please be advised that deviations from the D&M Plan are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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Ms. Melanie Bachman, Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket No. 461A: Greenwich Substation and Line Project

Development and Management Plan 115-kV Double Circuit Underground Transmission Lines

Request for Modification of Work Schedule in Bruce Park

Dear Ms. Bachman:

In accordance with the above-referenced approved Development and Management (D&M) Plan, the Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy (Eversource) is in the process of constructing the double-circuit underground transmission lines for the Greenwich Substation and Line Project (GSLP or Project), including within Bruce Park (Bruce Park Drive and Wood Road). Condition (i) of the Connecticut Siting Council's (Council's) staff report attached to the Council's January 17, 2019 approval of the D&M Plan notes that Eversource will attempt to complete duct bank construction activities within Bruce Park prior to April 30, 2019. Table D-1 of the D&M Plan notes that Eversource will conduct construction activities in the park between November 1, 2018 and April 30, 2019, whereas the Project's Traffic Management Plan (D&M Plan Appendix C) identifies the work hours in Bruce Park as 7 AM to 5 PM Monday to Friday and 9 AM to 5 PM on Saturdays.

However, construction activities within Bruce Park have been slowed due to unanticipated subsurface conditions (e.g., high groundwater table, fill consisting of broken rock and boulders) encountered during the excavation of the duct bank trench. As a result, Eversource determined that the GSLP construction within Bruce Park cannot be completed prior to April 30, 2019 and met with representatives of the Town of Greenwich (Town) regarding the potential for a two-week extension(into mid-May 2019 for work within the Park.

Accordingly, Eversource and representatives of the Town have agreed that the following schedule modifications for work in Bruce Park, pending Council approval, are acceptable:

- 1. April 30, 2019 through May 4, 2019. Standard construction work within and occupation of Woods Road would be extended through 5 PM on May 4, 2019.
- 2. May 6, 2019 through May 10, 2019. Construction work would be allowed to continue, pursuant to the following requirements: a.) All work would occur during the daytime hours between 7 AM and 5 PM on Woods Road and Bruce Park Drive; and b.) At the end of each work day, all materials and equipment must be removed from the project work sites within Bruce Park.
- 3. May 11, 2019. Construction work would continue, pursuant to a) Work hours will be limited from 9 AM to 5 PM, and b) At the end of each

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work day, all materials and equipment must be removed from the Project work sites within Bruce Park.

4. Other. Woods Road must be cleaned up and restored by 5 PM on May 4, 2019. To verify that the road is restored in preparation for the summer season, Eversource will coordinate a walk-through with Town Departments of Public Works and Parks staff to address any issues.

Any Project construction activities within Bruce Park that cannot be completed as of May 11, 2019 would be performed commencing November 1, 2019 and will be completed by April 30, 2020.

Eversource seeks Council staff approval of the modifications to the schedule for work in Bruce Park, both through May 11, 2019 and, if necessary re-commencing November 1, 2019, ending April 30, 2020.

Should you have any questions regarding this D&M Plan change request, please do not hesitate to contact me at via e-mail at kathleen.shanley@eversource.com or telephone at (860) 728-4527.

Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Shanley

cc: Jim Michel, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, Town of Greewich