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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 6, 2019

Susan J. Bellion Project Siting Specialist - 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. Bellion:

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-62 (b) and in response to your email of September 6, 2019, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff hereby approves a temporary change to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for additional construction hours necessary to continue and complete construction of the 115-kV underground cable duct bank beneath the southern portion (eastbound lane) of Sound Shore Drive. The Council approved 24/7 construction hours between August 7 and August 28, 2019 along Sound Shore Drive on August 2, 2019. Because extensive subsurface rock was encountered, the trench excavation took longer than anticipated and, as a result, the duct bank could only be installed beneath the northern portion of the road crossing (west bound lane) during the August 24/7 construction window. The additional work hours include continuous work (24/7) between September 12, 2019, starting at 7 AM to September 21, 2019, ending at 5 PM, including work on one Sunday – September 15, if necessary.

As approved in the Traffic Management Plan (TMP), to install the duct bank beneath the road at this crossing, Sound Shore Drive was to be closed and Detour Plan 1A implemented. However, because the 115-kV conduit has been installed across the northern portion (westbound lane) of Sound Shore Drive at this location, per discussions with and recommendations of the Town of Greenwich, an alternating 1-lane traffic flow will be maintained at the crossing during the 24/7 work (using the west travel lane of Sound Shore Drive). Thus, Detour Plan 1A, as listed in the TMP, will NOT be used.

This approval applies only to the temporary additional work hours requested in your email of September 6, 2019. Any additional changes to the D&M Plan require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council's approval of the D&M Plan on January 17, 2019. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely

Melanie Bachman **Executive Director**

Parties and Intervenors Kathleen Shanley, Eversource



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Subject: Docket 461A-Greenwich Substation and Line Project (GSLP)-Sound Shore Drive Crossings -

Extended Work Hour Request -September 12-21, 2019

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Eversource requests extended work hours for the construction of the 115-kV underground cable duct bank beneath the southern portion (eastbound lane) of the western crossing of Sound Sure Drive (a local road) near the west entrance to the Cos Cob Train Station. To facilitate the efficient installation of the duct banks, the request is to work continuously (24/7) during the time period between Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7AM through Saturday, September 21, 2019 at 5 PM (including work on one Sunday – September 15, if needed).

During the latter part of August, Eversource's contractor received approval for and performed work at this Sound Shore Drive crossing on a 24/7 basis. However, because extensive subsurface rock was encountered, the trench excavation took longer than anticipated and, as a result, the duct bank could only be installed beneath the northern portion of the road crossing (i.e., west bound lane) during the August 24/7 construction window.

As defined in the GSLP Development and Management Plan, Appendix C, Traffic Management Plan (TMP, Segment 4), the work to install the 115-kV lines beneath Sound Shore Drive at this location is approved for 7 AM to 6 PM Monday to Friday and 9 AM to 5 PM Saturdays. As approved in the TMP, to install the duct bank beneath the road at this crossing, Sound Shore Drive was to be closed and Detour Plan 1A implemented.

However, because the 115-kV conduit has been installed across the northern portion of Sound Shore Drive at this location, per discussions with and recommendations of the Town of Greenwich, an alternating 1-lane traffic flow will be maintained at the crossing during the 24/7 work (i.e., using the northern travel lane of Sound Shore Drive). Thus, Detour Plan 1A, as listed in the TMP, will NOT be used.

Should you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

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