

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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Hearing Program Docket No. 465 Thursday, February 25, 2016 3:00 p.m. Stratford Town Hall, Council Chambers 2725 Main Street, Stratford, Connecticut

- I. Opening by Council
 - A. Statement read by Chair.
 - B. Comments by Public Official(s) (if any)
 - C. Motions (if any)
 - 1. Town of Stratford Motion for Party Status, dated February 19, 2016
 - D. Administrative Notice taken by Council

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- E. State Agency comments
 - 1. Department of Transportation, dated February 8, 2016
- F. Municipal comments

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II. Appearance by Applicant

Applicant: The United Illuminating Company (UI)

Representative: James R. Morrissey, Esq.

- A. Administrative Notice.
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need filed by The United Illuminating Company, received December 21, 2015, and attachments and bulk file exhibits including:

Bulk file exhibits:

- a. Abutter Information Notice and List
- b. Stratford Inland Wetland Regulations
- c. Stratford Zoning Regulations, Draft Revision
- d. Stratford Plan of Conservations and Development
- e. Greater Bridgeport Regional Council Draft POCD Public Hearing December 2015
- f. Stratford Waterfront Vision Plan
- g. Housatonic Greenway Plan-Revised
- h. New Baird Municipal Consultation Filing
- i. Baseline Environmental Assessment Baird Substation
- 2. Applicant's Responses to Council Interrogatories, dated February 18, 2016
- 3. Applicant's Pre-Hearing Submission All Points Technology Supplemental Aerial Overlay, dated February 18, 2016
- 4. Applicant's Affidavit of Sign Posting, dated February 19, 2016
- C. Swear Witnesses
 - 1. Samantha Marone, Manager, Permitting & Public Outreach, UI
 - 2. Matthew Cloud, Transmission & Substation Engineer, UI
 - 3. Ronald Rossetti, PE, PMP, Senior Director, Engineering, UI
 - 4. Shawn Crosbie, Environmental Analyst, UIL Holdings Corp.
 - 5. David Bradt, Director, Transmission Planning, UI
 - 6. Tony Buccheri, PMP, Director Transmission & Substation Project Management, UI
 - 7. Dr. William Bailey, Ph.D., Principal Scientist, Exponent
 - 8. David Lord, Certified Soil Scientist, Soil Resource Consultants
 - 9. Ryan Baker, Acoustic Specialist, Black & Veatch LLP
 - 10. Mike Libertine, Graphics Specialist, All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C.
 - 11. Kyle Eckert, PE, Civil Engineer, GHD Pty. Ltd.
 - 12. Jeffrey Lambert, PE, Civil Engineer, GHD Pty. Ltd.
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.

- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Office of Consumer Counsel (Attorney Bidra)
- III. Appearance by Party: Office of Consumer Counsel

Representative: Lauren Henault Bidra, Esq.

- A. Administrative Notice.
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Office of Consumer Counsel's Motion for Party Status, dated January 22, 2016
 - C. Swear Witnesses
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 - E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Applicant
- IV. Closing or Continuation by Connecticut Siting Council.