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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 465** – The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115/13.8-kilovolt (kV) replacement substation facility located on an approximately 1.5 acre portion of two adjoining UI-owned parcels directly adjacent to UP's existing Baird Substation, 1770 Stratford Avenue, Stratford, Connecticut, and related transmission structure and interconnection improvements.

Dear Attorney Bidra:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your letter of January 22, 2016, requesting Party status for the Office of Consumer Counsel in Docket No. 465.

Your request will be placed on the next meeting agenda, a copy of which will be sent to you. Your attendance is welcome, but is not required. You will be notified of the Council's determination immediately thereafter.

Copies of the application are available at the Stratford Town Hall. All documents filed to date are available at the Council's office or on our website under pending proceedings.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman
Acting Executive Director

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Parties and Intervenors
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