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Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

RE: Docket No. 468: Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project
Monthly Construction Progress Report – July 2018

Dear Chairman Stein:

Pursuant to RCSA Section 16-50j-62(b)(3) and as described in Volume 3, Section A.3.3, of the Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project (Project) *Development and Management (D&M) Plans for the New 115-kV Transmission Line and the Modifications to the Plumtree and Stony Hill Substations*, The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy (Eversource) hereby provides to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") this Project Construction Progress Report for the month of July 2018.

This Construction Progress Report pertains to work on the new 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line, as well as to the Project modifications at Plumtree and Stony Hill substations and the associated 115-kV line reconfigurations at Stony Hill Substation. As noted in the Report, after the Project facilities were energized on June 24, construction activities in July focused on right-of-way restoration and the installation of counterpoise at select new 115-kV line structures.

Should you or other Council members have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at kathleen.shanley@eversource.com or telephone at (860) 728-4527.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kathleen M. Shanley". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Kathleen M. Shanley

Enclosure

DOCKET NO. 468
SOUTHWEST CONNECTICUT RELIABILITY PROJECT
MONTHLY CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT
JULY 2018

The Project facilities (new 115-kV transmission line between Plumtree Substation and Brookfield Junction, as well as related modifications to Plumtree Substation and Stony Hill Substation) were energized and placed into service on June 24, 2018.

1. NEW 115-kV TRANSMISSION LINE

Initial restoration activities (e.g., removal of timber mats from temporary access roads and work pads, re-grading, seeding, mulching) commenced and were completed along portions of the right-of-way (ROW). In addition, based on the results of soil resistivity testing performed in late June, counterpoise was installed at three structures (1023, 1026 and 1027).

Project crews also continued to maintain soil erosion and sedimentation controls, as appropriate, at work sites along the ROW.

Table 1 (in Attachment 1) illustrates the status of the transmission line construction work as of July 31, 2018.

2. MODIFICATIONS TO PLUMTREE AND STONY HILL SUBSTATIONS

All Project activities at Stony Hill Substation and Plumtree Substation were completed in June.

3. MINOR DEVELOPMENT & MANAGMENT (D&M) PLAN CHANGES

No minor D&M Plan changes were identified in July.

ATTACHMENT 1

**Table 1
Transmission Line Construction Progress
(July 31, 2018)**

SWCT RELIABILITY PROJECT (115-kV 1887 Line)											
Construction Progress Report 7/31/2018		Transmission									
		ROW Clearing	Work Area Preparation	Foundation Installation			Structure Installation			Wire Stringing (or Cable Installation)	Restoration
Town	Length of Transmission Line (Miles)	ROW Clearing (% Complete)	Access Roads/Work Pads (% Complete)	Foundations Installed	Total Foundations	Foundations (% Complete)	Structures Installed	Total Structures	Structures (% Complete)	Stringing (% Complete)	(% Complete)
Bethel	2.2	100%	100%	17	17	100%	17	17	100%	100%	30%
Danbury	0.9	100%	100%	6	6	100%	6	6	100%	100%	0%
Brookfield	0.3	100%	100%	5	5	100%	5	5	100%	100%	95%
Total Project	3.4	100%	100%	28	28	100%	28	28	100%	100%	40%

*Restoration refers to initial rehabilitation and stabilization of areas affected by Project construction.