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RE: Notification of Emergency Work at Damaged/Inoperable Energy Component at Sandy Hook Substation in Newtown to Maintain Continuity of Service.

Dear Deborah Denfeld:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the updated notification pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) §16-50j-57 dated September 18, 2026 regarding the Eversource Energy (Eversource) 37F-1X 25 MVA failed transformer at Sandy Hook Substation in Newtown to be replaced with a 62.5 MVA transformer and the use of a temporary 30 MVA mobile transformer until after the permanent replacement transformer is in service.

Pursuant to RCSA §16-50j-57, the Council hereby acknowledges the need for Eversource to complete the emergency work to maintain continuity of Eversource service.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman".

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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Re: Notification of Emergency Mobile Transformer Installation - **Update**

Dear Attorney Bachman:

This correspondence provides an update to Eversource Energy's (Eversource) August 28, 2026, notification, to the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) regarding the referenced emergency work associated with the failed 1X transformer at Sandy Hook Substation (Substation), 13 Farmery Lane, in Newtown.

Since the installation of the mobile transformer, which was intended to temporarily replace the failed 1X transformer damaged by a lightning strike, Eversource has proceeded with related activities to permanently restore continuity of service. Substation crews have been dismantling and removing the 1X transformer and associated equipment with removal work anticipated to be completed by next week. A new concrete pad for the replacement transformer will then be prepared for the arrival of the new unit, which will be a HICO 115 to 23 -kV, 62.5 unit. The new unit is similar in size to the failed transformer and will not be taller than existing equipment at the substation.

The entire installation is expected to be completed by the end of December 2026. After the replacement HICO transformer is in service, the mobile transformer will be removed from the Substation.

Eversource has maintained contact with the Town of Newtown's municipal representative and with abutters to the substation site, to address concerns, and will continue to inform them of the progress being made in the 1X transformer replacement and energization schedule.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah Denfeld".

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