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RE: **SUB-PETITION NO. 1293-BR-03 (Bethel and Redding)** – Eversource Energy declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for all transmission facility asset condition maintenance improvements statewide to comply with the updated National Electrical Safety Code clearance requirements.

Dear Kathleen Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated October 24, 2022 regarding a project change to the Petition No. 1293 sub-petition for the above-referenced section of transmission line that was approved by the Council on October 17, 2022.

The proposed project change consists of the relocation of access to Structures 11011, 11012, 11017 and 11019 to avoid Town of Bethel Water Department underground water infrastructure within the area of a previously approved access point from Webb Road, and to avoid direct impacts to a vernal pool along a previously approved access point from John Todd Way. The access road will now extend eastward along the right-of-way from Nashville Road Extension, avoiding the underground water infrastructure and the vernal pool. The access road relocation will result in a net increase of 415 square feet of temporary wetland impact associated with construction matting.

Pursuant to the Council's Petition No. 1293 decision of March 31, 2017 and October 17, 2022 decision on this sub-petition, your request for the proposed project change, as detailed in your October 24, 2022 correspondence, is hereby approved. This approval applies only to the project change dated October 24, 2022.

Please be advised that deviations from the standards established by the Council in the Declaratory Ruling are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanie Bachman', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director