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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

February 9, 2023

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RE: SUB-PETITION NO. 1293- HEHLELMW-01 (Haddam, East Haddam, Lyme, East Lyme, Montville and Waterford) 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 Deborah Denfeld:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated February 7, 2023 regarding project changes to the Petition No. 1293 sub-petition for the above-referenced section of transmission line that was approved by the Council on February 4, 2019. The proposed project changes will occur along Eversource right-of-way and includes the replacement of one additional wood H-frame transmission structure with a new weathering steel H-frame transmission structure off Norwich Salem Road in East Haddam (Structure No. 9753).

Pursuant to the Council's March 31, 2017 Declaratory Ruling and February 4, 2019 decision on this subpetition, your request for the proposed project changes is hereby approved. This approval applies only to the project changes in the correspondence dated February 7, 2023.

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.

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Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

c: The Honorable Irene Haines, First Selectperson, Town of East Haddam (<u>admin@easthaddam.org</u>) Kathleen Shanley, Eversource, (<u>kathleen.shanley@eversource.com</u>)