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Re: Sub-Petition No. 1293-LBMW-02: 310/383 Line Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project ("Project"): Proposed Amendments to Sub-Petition Pursuant to Condition 2 of the Connecticut Siting Council Sub-Petition Approval

Dear Attorney Bachman:

On August 27, 2021, the Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource") filed a Sub-Petition for the above-referenced project with the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council"), regarding maintenance work within its 310/383 Line transmission right-of-way ("ROW") in Lebanon, Bozrah, Montville, and Waterford, Connecticut. As detailed in the Sub-Petition, the work includes replacing 46 existing wood transmission structures with new weathering steel transmission structures.

On October 13, 2021, the Council issued a letter acknowledging that the above-reference project would not have an adverse environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Accordingly, Eversource commenced work on the asset condition improvements specified in the Sub-Petition.

As civil construction on the Project has progressed, Eversource has identified the following proposed modifications, all of which will facilitate access to or work at structure replacement locations:

- *Town of Lebanon:* Eversource determined that a small area of additional temporary construction matting would be required in Wetland W109 to span a small stream, accommodate equipment turning radii, and improve access to Structure 29152. The proposed construction matting would temporarily impact an additional 865 square feet of wetland W109. The attached revised Map Sheet 5 illustrates this proposed modification, which would be located on Eversource property.
- *Town of Lebanon:* Eversource proposes to install temporary construction matting along a small upland portion of the approved existing on-ROW access road from Waterman Road to Structure 29117. The additional construction matting will be placed along the access road to protect the adjacent wetlands and provide a safe width for ingress/egress to the work pad. The attached revised Map Sheet 10 illustrates this proposed modification.

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- *Town of Waterford*: Subsequent to the Council's approval of the Project, Eversource obtained landowner approval for the use of an off-ROW access road, extending from Cross Road to the ROW and thereby providing more direct access to Structure 9891. Revised Map Sheet 29 (attached) illustrates this off-ROW access road.

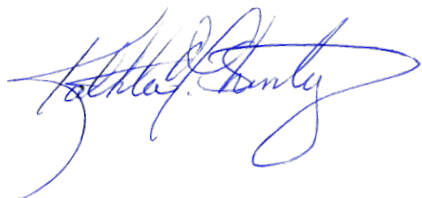
Eversource respectfully submits that the above-referenced modifications ("Work Activities") will not result in any substantial adverse environmental impacts, based on the following factors:

- The only water resource impacts from the proposed Work Activities will be minor and will result from the additional 865 square feet of temporary construction matting in Wetland W109 at Structure 29152. Work would be conducted in accordance with Eversource's *Best Management Practices Manual for Massachusetts and Connecticut (Construction and Maintenance Environmental Requirements)*, September 2016 ("BMPs"). The use of the additional construction mats will minimize potential impacts to the small stream; the mats will be aligned to span the stream and maintain water flow. As part of the ROW rehabilitation phase of the project, the construction mats will be removed and the affected areas restored.
- No vernal pools or vernal pool envelopes are located near any of the proposed modifications.
- The Work Activities will not affect any Natural Diversity Data Base areas as identified by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.
- The Work Activities are within areas that were evaluated for cultural resources as part of the Sub-Petition submission. The cultural resource assessment (conducted by Heritage Consultants, LLC) did not identify any known historic or archaeological sites in or near the Work Activities.
- Temporary environmental effects from construction will be mitigated as referenced in Sub-Petition 1293-LBMW-02.

Eversource respectfully seeks Council approval of this proposed amendment to Sub-Petition 1293-LBMW-02.

Please contact me at 860-728-4527 if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

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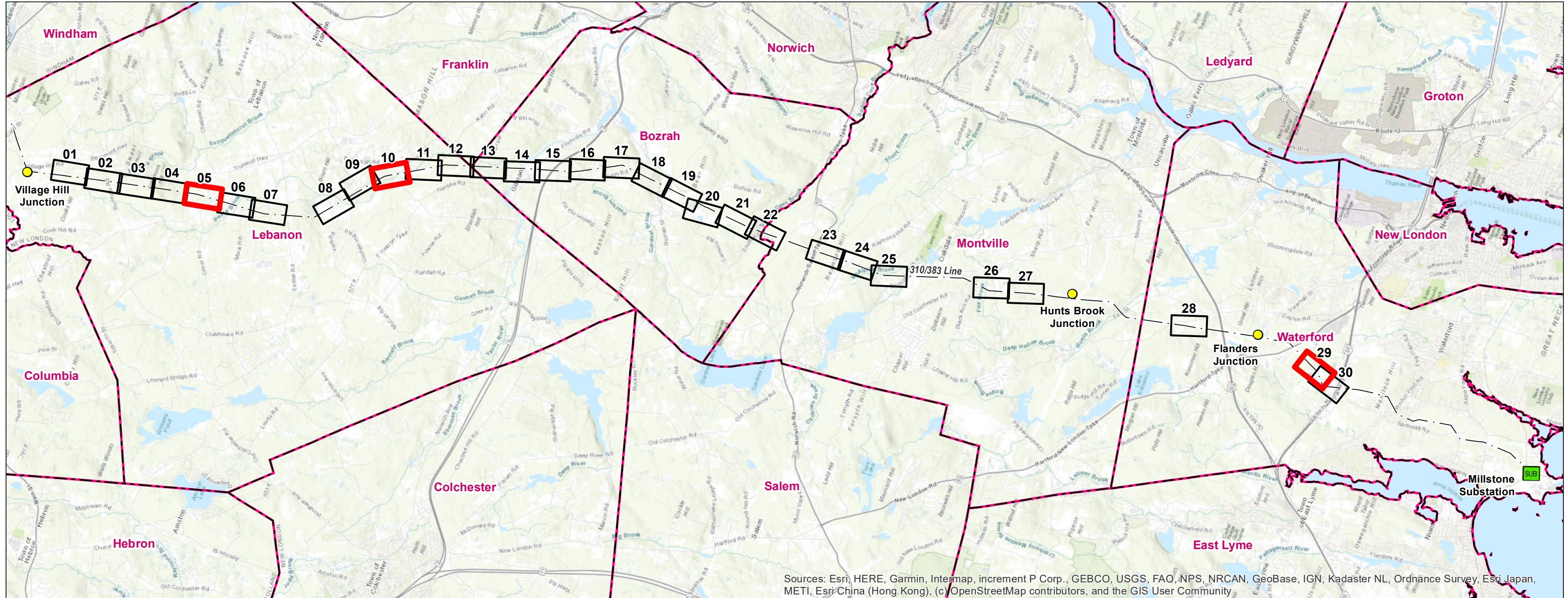
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310/383 Lines - Structure Replacement Project

Lebanon, Bozrah, Montville, and Waterford, CT
Sub-Petition Map Set

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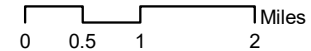
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