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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

March 26, 2020

Kathleen Shanley
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1382** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed 1355 Line Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of approximately 1.38 miles of its existing No. 1355 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line structures within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between a location just east of the existing Schwab Junction off of Chimney Hill Road and Colony Substation off of Old Colony Road in Wallingford, Connecticut, and related substation and electric transmission line structure improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your email correspondence dated March 25, 2020 regarding a minor project change to the above-referenced project that was approved by the Council on October 25, 2019. The minor project change consists of additional work hours occurring on three Sundays (April 5, 19, and 26), with construction work hours from 9 AM to 7 PM, to facilitate the completion of the 1355 Line Rebuild Project approximately two weeks ahead of schedule to address uncertainties related to the availability of resources for construction of the project due to the coronavirus response.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's October 25, 2019 Declaratory Ruling, your request for the above minor project change, as detailed in your March 25, 2020 correspondence, is hereby approved. This approval applies only to the minor project change described in your March 25, 2020 correspondence. Any significant changes to the project require advance Council notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

s/ Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

c: The Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor, Town of Wallingford
Kacie Hand, Town Planner, Town of Wallingford

From: Shanley, Kathleen M <kathleen.shanley@eversource.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 3:19 PM
To: Bachman, Melanie <Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov>
Subject: Petition No. 1382: 1355 Line Rebuild Project, Town of Wallingford

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Eversource Energy (Eversource) requests that the Connecticut Siting Council staff review and approve extended work hours for the subject project, consisting of construction on three Sundays in April (April 5, 19, and 26), to facilitate the completion of the 1355 Line Rebuild Project approximately two weeks ahead of schedule. Current work hours for the Project are Monday through Saturday, 7 AM to 7 PM.

The 1355 Line serves the Town of Wallingford Electric Division, which has recently expressed a desire to have Eversource accelerate its construction schedule to return the 1355 Line to service as soon as possible. (There has been an outage on the line since March 2, 2020.) Wallingford Electric has concern regarding the potential uncertainties related to the spread of the coronavirus and the availability of resources to support the project in the longer term.

Accordingly, Eversource proposes to accelerate the 1355 Line schedule to achieve an in-service date of approximately April 29, 2020 – two weeks earlier than planned. Thus, Eversource requests the ability to perform construction activities on three Sundays - April 5, 19, and 26. The proposed Sunday work hours would be from 9 AM to 7 PM. The Sunday work would be performed only if needed (e.g., due to weather delays) to achieve the accelerated in-service schedule for the 1355 Line. Outreach has been completed with the Town and abutters.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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