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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1436** - Groton Utilities petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 1.7 miles of its existing 115-kilovolt (kV)/69-kV 1410/400 double-circuit electric transmission line and 115-kV 1280 single-circuit electric transmission line within existing Groton Utilities electric transmission line right-of-way between Groton/Ledyard town line and Buddington Substation located north of Gold Star Highway in Groton, Connecticut, and related transmission line and substation improvements.

Dear Attorney Kipnis:

At a public meeting held on November 5, 2020, the Connecticut Siting Council granted the petitioner's Motion for Protective Order, dated October 28, 2020, related to the disclosure of Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 1-210(b), on the basis that disclosure of the CEII may result in a safety and security risk.

The Protective Order shall apply to the "ISO-NE Eastern Connecticut Needs Analysis" and any other CEII documents that may be filed as part of the evidentiary record in this petition proceeding.

Please feel free to call the office if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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