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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 4, 2021

Kathleen M. Shanley Manager – Transmission Siting Eversource Energy P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

RE:

PETITION NO. 1457 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed 690 Line Rebuild Project consisting of: a) replacement and reconductoring of approximately 1.6 miles of its existing No. 690 69-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line structures within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Salisbury Substation in Salisbury and Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corporation's electric transmission system at the Connecticut/New York state line in Sharon, Connecticut; (b) installation of temporary backup electric generation at Falls Village Substation in Canaan and Salisbury Substation in Salisbury, Connecticut; and (c) related substation and electric transmission line structure improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than August 18, 2021. Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to siting.council@ct.gov. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council requests all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the August 18, 2021 deadline.

Copies of your responses are required to be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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Petition No. 1457 Eversource Interrogatories August 4, 2021

- 1. What is the total estimated cost of the project? Of this total, what costs would be regionalized, and what costs would be localized? Estimate the percentages of the total cost that would be borne by Eversource ratepayers, Connecticut ratepayers, and the remainder of New England (excluding Connecticut) ratepayers, as applicable.
- 2. Referencing page 34 of the Petition, were there any comments from the Towns of Salisbury, Sharon and Canaan or property abutters? If so, what were their concerns, and how were these concerns addressed?
- 3. The 100-year flood zones are delineated on Map Sheets 1, 2, and 11. The 500-year flood zone is delineated on Map Sheet 11. Would any of the proposed structures be located within the 500-year flood zone only?
- 4. Would any restoration of the temporarily impacted wetland areas be necessary? If yes, indicate what restoration measures would be utilized.
- 5. Referencing page 15 of the Petition, to date, has Eversource received a response from either of the Tribal Historic Preservation Offices? If yes, provide such response(s).
- 6. Would notice to the Federal Aviation Administration be required for any of the proposed replacement structures? If yes, would marking and/or lighting be required for any of the proposed replacement structures?
- 7. Would the proposed aluminum conductor steel supported (ACSS) conductors be capable of carrying a line voltage of 115 kilovolts (kV) but energized to a line voltage of 69-kV?
- 8. Referencing page 32 of the Petition, construction would commence in September or October 2021. Approximately when would construction be completed?
- 9. Referencing page 6 of Petition No. 1371 Amendment dated September 4, 2020, 20 MW of emergency backup generation at Falls Village Substation was expected to be on-site until approximately December 2020. Approximately when were the generators and associated equipment removed?
- 10. For the proposed project, approximately when would the proposed emergency backup generators and associated equipment be removed from Falls Village Substation and Salisbury Substation?