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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 21, 2021

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1464** – 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 Rockville Upgrade Project consisting of the replacement and reconducting of electric transmission line structures along approximately 1.2 miles of its existing No. 1606 and No. 1724 115-kilovolt transmission lines within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Rockville Junction and Rockville Substation in Vernon, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt correspondence dated December 21, 2021 identifying the Project construction staging area in compliance with Condition No. 2 of the Council's Declaratory Ruling of November 22, 2021 for the above-referenced project.

Additionally, the December 21, 2021 correspondence is responsive to the Council's request for further information regarding project clearing that appeared to occur prior to Council issuance of the declaratory ruling. The Council understands limited vegetation removal was performed adjacent to Project structures to accommodate soil boring equipment necessary to determine subsurface conditions to advance final engineering design for structure foundations.

The Council acknowledges that Condition No. 2 has been satisfied. This acknowledgment applies only to the condition satisfied by the December 21, 2021 correspondence. Any significant changes to the above-referenced project require advance Council notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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December 21, 2021

Melanie Bachman, Esq.  
Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
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Dear Ms. Bachman,

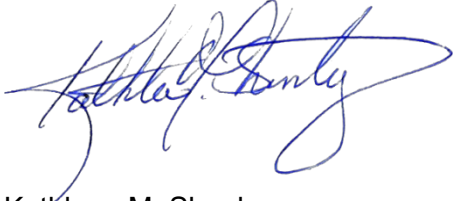
On November 18, 2020 the Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) considered and ruled that the project presented in the subject Eversource Energy (“Eversource”) petition would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Conditional to the Council’s ruling was a requirement for Eversource to identify the construction staging area. Please see the attached map depicting the Project’s proposed construction staging area, located at 2175 South Main Street in Middletown, and has been recently utilized by a masonry company.

In addition to this information, the Council also requested an explanation as to why it appears that project clearing was performed prior to the Council’s ruling.

Consistent with typical project pre-construction survey activities, geo-tech borings within the right-of way (“ROW”) continued in order to advance final engineering design for structure foundations. To enable the boring rig to access the proposed structure location, mowing was undertaken within the maintained ROW to allow the safe passage of the vehicle/equipment. No clearing or road building activity occurred. Please see the attached photograph depicting the limited vegetation removal at the proposed road access point and the mowing within the ROW to enable access for the survey vehicle and equipment to the structure locations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com](mailto:Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com) or at (860) 728-4517 if you have any questions or concerns.

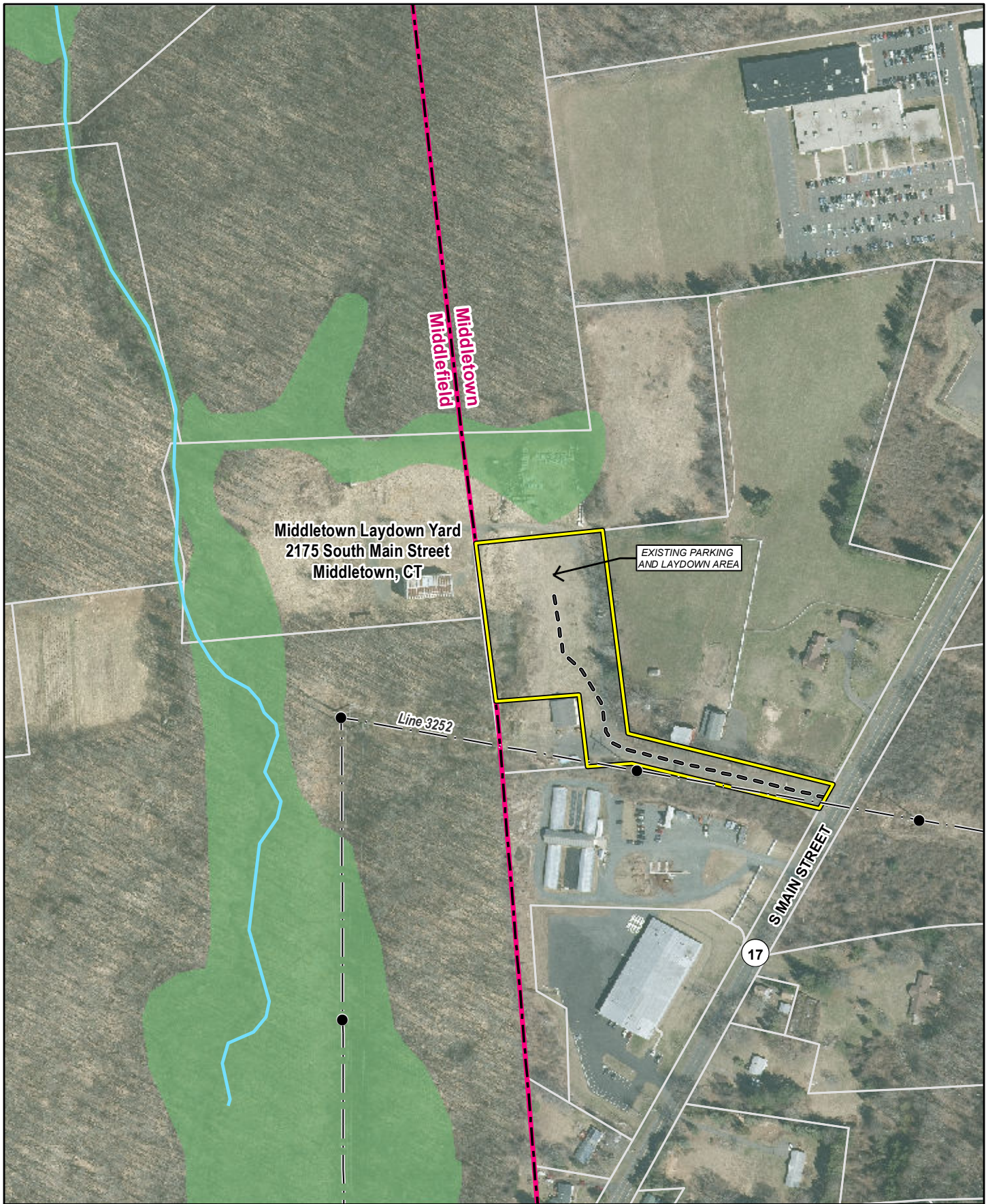
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kathleen M. Shanley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Kathleen M. Shanley  
Manager – Transmission Siting

Attachments:

Map-Construction Staging Area  
Photograph of Pre-Construction Mowing Activity



**INDEX MAP**



**Legend**

- Existing Structure
- Overhead Eversource Line
- Laydown Yard
- Existing Access (All Necessary Rights in Place)
- CTDEEP Watercourse (not delineated)
- Parcel Boundary
- Approximate Wetland (not delineated)
- Municipal Boundary



1 in = 300 feet

0 150 300 Feet

**EVERSOURCE ENERGY**

**1606/1724 Structure Replacement Project  
Middletown Laydown Yard  
2175 South Main Street  
Middletown and Middlefield, CT**

**Date: 12/2/2021**

**AECOM**

Note: Basemap Source: CTECO 2019 Aerial Imagery.  
Approximate Wetland polygon created from combination of NWI Wetland Layer for Connecticut and CT Inland Wetland Soils Layer from CTDEEP.





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