

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 19, 2022

Kathleen Shanley
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1484** - 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 modifications to its existing Gales Ferry Substation located at 301 Whalehead Road, Ledyard, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line structure improvements.

## Dear Kathleen Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the email correspondence dated December 19, 2022, regarding temporary changes to work hours for the above-referenced declaratory ruling that was issued by the Council on May 13, 2022. Your request to perform overnight work beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 and ending at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2022, is hereby approved. The extended overnight hours are needed to continue monitoring the filling of the new transformer with oil.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's Declaratory Ruling, your request for the extended work hours is hereby approved. This approval applies only to the request for changes to work hours dated December 19, 2022.

Please be advised that deviations from the standards established by the Council in the Declaratory Ruling are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

c: The Honorable Fred Allyn III, Mayor, Town of Ledyard (<a href="mayor@ledyardct.org">mayor@ledyardct.org</a>)
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December 19, 2022

Melanie Bachman, Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Petition No. 1484 – Modifications to Gales Ferry Substation

Request for Extended Work Hours

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Eversource Energy is requesting Siting Council staff review and approval of extended work hours on the following dates:

- Tuesday, December 20, 2022; 7:00 p.m. to midnight;
- Wednesday, December 21, 2022; midnight to 7:00 a.m.

This request for extended hours is a follow up to the request for extended hours that was approved on Friday, December 16, 2022, to allow for filling the new 3X transformer with oil and to monitor the process. Since that approval was granted, Eversource has learned that the process may not be completed within the approved timeline. The potential delay is due to the need to heat the transformer oil to approximately 50 degrees Fahrenheit, prior to starting to fill the transformer. Once the oil is at the specified temperature, it is pumped into and circulated through the transformer to bring the transformer to the same temperature. At that point, the oil is drained, filtered and dewatered under a vacuum. Once the oil is properly treated, the process of filling the transformer and taking readings would begin and cannot be interrupted until the transformer is full. Activity during this time will be limited to the operation of a vacuum pump and the technician's routine measurements.

We have notified the Town of Ledyard of our intention to submit this request to the Council. We will continue to work with the Town and nearby residents to apprise them of the work and to resolve any potential conflicts or concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Shanley

Manager – Transmission Siting