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May 17, 2022

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1486** – 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 400/500 Lines Rebuild Project consisting of the upgrade of the existing No. 400 69-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line to 115-kV and the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along 8.6 miles of the existing No. 400 electric transmission line within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Ledyard Junction in Ledyard and Tunnel Substation in Preston; and the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 4.9 miles of the existing No. 500 69-kV electric transmission line within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Hallville Junction in Ledyard and Tunnel Substation in Preston Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated May 13, 2022 regarding a project change for the above-referenced declaratory ruling issued by the Council on May 22, 2022 (Declaratory Ruling).

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Declaratory Ruling, the request to commence construction in project work areas that are not subject to the Water Quality Certificate (WQC) is hereby approved. This modifies Condition No. 3 of the Declaratory Ruling to submit a copy of the WQC prior to commencement of construction within the special wetland area in Ledyard.

This approval applies only to the project change in the correspondence dated May 13, 2022. Any significant changes to the project require advance Council notification and approval.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman".

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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May 13, 2022

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Re: Petition NO. 1486: 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 400/500 Lines Rebuild Project consisting of the upgrade of the existing No. 400 69-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line to 115-kV and the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along 8.6 miles of the existing No. 400 electric transmission line within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Ledyard Junction in Ledyard and Tunnel Substation in Preston; and the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 4.9 miles of the existing No. 500 69-kV electric transmission line within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between Hallville Junction in Ledyard and Tunnel Substation in Preston Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements.

Dear Attorney Bachman:

On May 12, 2022 the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") voted in favor of the subject Eversource Energy ("Eversource") petition, with conditions.

Condition 3 of the Council's May 13, 2022 decision letter requires that Eversource submit a copy of its Water Quality Certification ("Certification") prior to the start of construction. Consistent with past practice, Eversource respectfully seeks Council approval to begin construction in those areas of the project that are not subject to the Certification. Eversource commits to adhering to the Council's condition prior to commencing construction in the limited jurisdictional area in Ledyard subject to the Certification requirement.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please contact me at 860-728-4527 if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

