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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 27, 2022

Kathleen M. Shanley Manager – Transmission Siting Eversource Energy 56 Prospect Street Hartford, CT 06103 kathleen.shanley@eversource.com

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 Kathleen Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated September 27, 2022 regarding project changes for the above-referenced declaratory ruling issued by the Council on May 13, 2022, as follows:

- a. Install approximately 6,890 square feet of temporary construction matting between Structures 7405 and 7406 in Ledyard to facilitate vegetation management activities within a wetland;
- b. Install approximately ten linear feet of temporary construction matting to support the east side of the gravel work pad at Structure 7080 in Preston; and
- c. Install a gravel work pad in lieu of temporary construction matting in a steep slope at existing Structure 7091 in Preston to provide for a safe work environment.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's May 13, 2022 Declaratory Ruling, the specified requests for project changes are hereby approved. This approval applies only to the project changes in the correspondence dated September 27, 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,

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Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

c: The Honorable Sandra L. Allyn-Gauthier, First Selectwoman, Town of Preston (<u>allyngauthier@preston-ct.org</u>) The Honorable Fred Allyn III, Mayor, Town of Ledyard (<u>mayor@ledyardct.org</u>) Andrew Lord, Project Siting Specialist, Eversource Energy (<u>andrew.lord@eversource.com</u>)



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

Re: Petition No.1486: 400/500 Line Rebuild Project Request for Minor Project Changes

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Eversource Energy ("Eversource") is requesting approval from Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") staff for the following three minor modifications to Petition No. 1486:

- Add approximately 6,890 square feet of temporary construction matting between Structures 7405 and 7406 to provide access for vegetation management activities in Wetland 5 (W5) (refer to attached plans, Map Sheets 2 and 3 of 16).
- 2. Add approximately ten feet of temporary construction matting to support the east side of the gravel work pad at Structure 7080 (refer to attached plans, Map Sheet 9 of 16).
- Construct a gravel work pad in lieu of a temporary construction matting work pad at existing Structure 7091 to address safety concerns related to steep slopes at that location (refer to attached plans, Map Sheet 11 of 16).

The proposed modifications would occur fully within Eversource-owned property and would not have any impacts on any wetlands, other environmental resources, or abutting landowners.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely, Kathleen M. Shanley

Manager – Transmission Siting