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Melanie Bachman, Esq.
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Re: Petition No. 1549 – 1714 Line Rebuild Project - Notification of Emergency Exceedance of Work Hours

Dear Attorney Bachman:

Eversource Energy is notifying the Connecticut Siting Council of an exceedance of the allowable work hours on the subject Petition. The 1714/1720 lines support a fiber line owned by Crown Castle, a telecommunications company. The Crown Castle fiber was to be relocated onto the new replacement structures as part of the work. On Wednesday, June 5, 2024, the Crown Castle fiber on the 1720 Line was being shifted to its new permanent position on Structure 19764, located near Gilbert Highway/North Street in Fairfield. During the transition, which involved sagging then tightening of the line, a break occurred resulting in an interruption of Crown Castle's service.

Eversource immediately called in additional contractors to assist in restoring the service of the OPGW line. Outreach was conducted to the underlying property owner and to the Town of Fairfield. The OPGW was repaired, Crown Castle's service was restored, and site activity ceased by 11:00 pm.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this notification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah Denfeld".

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