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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 13, 2023

John Thomas Pinto, Ph.D. Chair – Application Review Committee Norwalk Harbor Management Commission pintoj@optonline.net

RE: **PETITION NO. 1560** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Norwalk Bridge Transmission Relocation Project that consists of the relocation and rebuild of two existing overhead 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission lines from railroad catenaries and existing structures within the Connecticut Department of Transportation corridor to an underground configuration within roads and across the Norwalk River for approximately .66 miles between existing Structure No. 522WN north of Monroe Street and Structure No. 536WN north of Van Zant Street in Norwalk, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line improvements.

Dear John Pinto:

During a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on April 13, 2023, the Council denied the Norwalk Harbor Management Commission and Norwalk Shellfish Commission's joint request for a public hearing that was submitted on April 3, 2023.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) §4-176(e), within 60 days after receipt of a petition for a declaratory ruling, an administrative agency in writing shall: 1) issue a declaratory ruling; 2) order the matter for specified proceedings; 3) agree to issue a declaratory ruling by a specified date; 4) decide not to issue a declaratory ruling and initiate regulation-making proceedings on the subject; or 5) decide not to issue a declaratory ruling stating the reasons for the action.

Due to the Council's vote to deny the request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered on this petition by August 16, 2023, which is the statutorily-mandated 180-day decision deadline for this petition under CGS §4-176(i).

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

MAB/MP/laf

Enclosure: Revised Schedule, dated April 13, 2023

c: Service List, dated February 17, 2023

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SCHEDULE

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Petition received	02/17/23
Public Comment Period Deadline	03/19/23
Public Comment Period Deadline w/Extension	04/03/23
Council Interrogatories	
Set One filed	03/17/23
Set One responses due	04/14/23
Council 60-day Action – Set Date for Decision to 08/16/23	04/13/23
Deadline for Action	04/18/23
Deadline for Decision	08/16/23