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March 5, 2024

Deborah Denfeld
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1577** - 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 Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 5 miles of its existing electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1163 and 1550 Lines between Frost Bridge Substation in Watertown to Noera Substation in Waterbury, traversing the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Plymouth and Waterbury, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. **Request for Temporary Project Change.**

Dear Deborah Denfeld:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated March 5, 2024 regarding a project change for the above-referenced Declaratory Ruling issued by the Council on September 1, 2023.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's September 1, 2023, Declaratory Ruling, the request to install a temporary approximately 65-foot tall wood structure east of Structures 1 and 1A is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the project change in the correspondence dated March 5, 2024.

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 Bachman".

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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c. Kathleen Shanley, Eversource Energy (Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com)

March 05, 2024

Melanie Bachman, Esq.
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Connecticut Siting Council
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Re: PETITION NO. 1577 – 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 Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project. **Request for minor project change.**

Dear Attorney Bachman:

On September 1, 2023, the Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) ruled that the above referenced Petition would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Condition 1 of the Project ruling indicates any project changes be delegated to Council staff for approval. The following change is proposed;

- In preparation for the installation of OPGW and new conductors Eversource will be installing wire pulling ropes within stringing blocks affixed to the top of each transmission structure. To safely secure and store the pulling ropes, prior to the wire pulling activities, Eversource is proposing to install a temporary wood structure. The temporary structure will be 65 feet in height and located on Eversource owned property adjacent to transmission line Structures 1 and 1A, which are located near Frost Bridge Substation in Watertown. The temporary structure will be removed upon completion of the wire pulling activities. The location of the structure is depicted in Figure 1 below.

The municipal officials of Watertown have been notified of the proposed temporary structure. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this request. An original and two copies of this request will be mailed to your office.

Sincerely,



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FIGURE 1

