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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

June 21, 2024

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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 Extended Work Hours.**

Dear Deborah Denfeld:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated June 21, 2024, regarding temporary changes to work hours for the above-referenced Declaratory Ruling that was issued by the Council on September 1, 2023.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's Declaratory Ruling, your request to perform work beginning at 5:00 AM on Saturday, June 22, 2024¹ at the Frost Bridge, Noera and Canal Substations to begin outage switching operations on the 1550 Line due to a weather-related rescheduled outage is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the request for changes to work hours dated June 21, 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,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

¹ Approved Saturday work hours per the Council's Declaratory Ruling are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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c: The Honorable Mary Ann Rosa, Chairperson, Town of Watertown (town Manager, Mark A. Raimo, Town Manager, Town of Watertown (raimo@watertownct.org)
The Honorable Paul Chaplinsky Jr., Chairperson, Town of Southington (pchaplinsky@southington.org)
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The Honorable Paul K. Pernerewski, Jr., Mayor, City of Waterbury (ppernerewski@waterburyct.org)
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Melanie Bachman, Esq. Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Petition No. 1577 – Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project Request for Modified Work Hours for Outage Switching

Dear Attorney Bachman:

Eversource Energy is requesting Siting Council staff review and approval of modified work hours to begin outage switching operations at 5:00 AM on Saturday June 22, 2024, on the 1550 Line at the following Substations;

- Frost Bridge Substation (Frost Bridge Rd, Watertown)
- Noera Substation (1 Foote St, Waterbury)
- Canal Substation (168 Canal St, Southington)¹

This work is not noise producing and will occur inside the control enclosures in each of the substations, however, truck access to the substations will require gate openings and safety lights may be triggered. The modified work hours are required to reinitiate an outage on the 1550 Line, which was recalled/cancelled during the week due to excessive heat.

We have notified the municipalities of Watertown, Waterbury, and Southington of the proposed schedule change. We will continue to work with the three Towns and nearby abutters to apprise them of the work and to resolve any potential concerns.

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

Sincerely,

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¹ Canal Substation is not included in Petition 1577 as a work area, however, the 1550 Line is a three terminal line that terminates at Canal Substation, therefore, requiring switching operations to occur at the substation.