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April 17, 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 the email correspondence dated April 17, 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 from 7:00 AM until 5:00 PM on the following Sundays - April 21, April 28, May 5, May 19, and June 2, 2024 – at structure locations along the right-of-way (ROW) in Watertown, Thomaston and Waterbury, and using an off-ROW access road in Plymouth due to delays associated with storm-related restoration efforts is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the request for changes to work hours dated April 17, 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

MAB/MP

c: The Honorable Mary Ann Rosa, Chairperson, Town of Watertown (towncouncil@watertownct.org)
Town Manager, Mark A. Raimo, Town Manager, Town of Watertown (raimo@watertownct.org)
The Honorable Edmond V. Mone, First Selectperson, Town of Thomaston (emone@thomastonct.org)
The Honorable Joe Kilduff, Mayor, Town of Plymouth (mayor@plymouthct.us)
The Honorable Paul K. Pernerewski, Jr., Mayor, City of Waterbury (ppernerewski@waterburyct.org)
Kathleen Shanley, Manager, Eversource Energy (Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com)

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Re: Petition No. 1577 – Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project - Request for Sunday Work Hours

Dear Attorney Bachman:

Eversource Energy is requesting Siting Council staff review and approval of Sunday work hours on multiple dates from April through June from 7AM-5PM, per Condition 1 of Petition No. 1577. This request is required due to loss of production caused by weather delays and reassignment of resources to cover storm response needs. The remaining project scope has a short window of completion and the request for multiple extended workdays is necessary to allow the project to be completed within the scheduled outage window.

The specific Sunday dates of this request are:

- April 21, 2024 and April 28, 2024;
- May 5, 2024 and May 19, 2024; and
- June 2, 2024

Eversource is requesting authorization to conduct drilling, structure replacement, vegetation management¹, and wire pulling activities, as needed, at various locations throughout the Project area. Drilling activities are proposed at Structures 0 – 1A in Watertown, Structures 2-6A in Thomaston, and Structures 7-12A in Waterbury. Structure replacement activities are proposed at Structures 0-1A in Watertown, 2-6A in Thomaston, Structures 7-26A and 695-705A in Waterbury. Vegetation management activities are proposed at Structure 1/1A in Watertown, and from Structures 2-6A in Thomaston, and Structures 7-13A in Waterbury. Eversource is also requesting authorization to conduct wire pulling activities in Watertown, Thomaston, and Waterbury from Structures 0-26A and 690-705A. In addition, Eversource will be utilizing an off-ROW access road in Plymouth to reach Structures 2-6A.

We have notified the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Plymouth, and Waterbury of the proposed schedule changes and they have not expressed any concerns. We will continue to work with the affected municipalities 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 Vegetation Management work is only proposed for Sunday April 28.