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April 16, 2024

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1582** - 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 Pootatuck to West Devon Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 3.3 miles of its existing electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1580, 1241, 1483 and 1545 Lines between The United Illuminating Company's (UI) Pootatuck Substation in Shelton, UI's Trap Falls Substation in Shelton and Eversource's West Devon Junction in Stratford, traversing the municipalities of Shelton and Stratford, Connecticut, and related electric transmission lines 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 16, 2024 regarding temporary changes to work hours for the above-referenced Declaratory Ruling that was issued by the Council on October 13, 2023.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's Declaratory Ruling, your request to perform work from 4:00 AM until 7:00 AM on Saturday, April 20, 2024 to support the previously approved wire removal over State Route 15 in the Town of Stratford as coordinated with the State Police and Connecticut Department of Transportation that was postponed from Saturday, April 6, 2024 due to storm-related restoration efforts is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the request for changes to work hours dated April 16, 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

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c:	The Honorable Laura R. Hoydick, Mayor, Town of Stratford (<u>mayor@townofstratford.com</u>) Kathleen Shanley, Eversource Energy (<u>Kathleen.shanley@eversource.com</u>)



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Melanie Bachman, Esq. Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Petition No. 1582 – Pootatuck to West Devon Junction Rebuild Project - Request for Extended Saturday Work Hours

Dear Attorney Bachman:

Eversource Energy is requesting Siting Council staff review and approval of extended Saturday work hours on April 20, 2024 from 4AM-7AM to support wire removal efforts on the de-energized 1590 Line over Route 15 (Merritt Parkway) in Stratford. This request was originally submitted and approved for April 6, 2024 but due to storm-related power restoration efforts that week, crews were diverted and therefore work was postponed.

For this request, the timing of the work has been coordinated with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CDOT), who requested that a rolling road-block be performed between 4:45AM-5:15AM on a Saturday, where State Police will slow down traffic in both northbound and southbound lanes and bring it to a temporary halt for no more than 15 minutes while the de-energized 1590 Line will be let down to the ground and pulled off the road surface. Once completed, traffic will resume in both directions. Work will continue in the project area ROW to collect the line in a temporary location and prepare for its off-site management.

We have notified the Town of Stratford of the proposed work schedule change and they have not expressed any concerns. We will continue to work with the affected municipality and nearby abutters to apprise them of the work and to resolve any potential conflicts or concerns.

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

Sincerely,

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