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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FEDEX

Melanie Bachman Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: PETITION NO. 1637 – KCE CT 11, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.99-megawatt AC battery energy storage facility and associated equipment located at 100 Salmon Brook Street, Granby, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Ms. Bachman:

I am writing on behalf of my client, KCE CT 11, LLC, ("KCE") in connection with the above-referenced Petition in response to the Council's draft Findings of Fact ("FOF") dated January 3, 2025. KCE offers the following comments:

- 1) FOF Nos. 9, 103 and 105 reference a three-year lease agreement, however, KCE has a purchase option agreement with the site owner, which contains a three-year option period. *See* Transcript of November 19, 2024 evidentiary hearing ("Tr.") at p. 94.
- 2) FOF No. 65 contains a typographical error. The word "safety" is missing an "s".
- 3) FOF No. 130 should state that the average slope of the access drive is approximately 1 percent. There is no point of the access drive that contains a 16% slope. The entire drive drops only from 211.5 to 208.0 feet.
- 4) FOF No. 146 should note that the transformers contain both low oil level and leak detection alarms. *See* Tr. at p. 140
- 5) FOF No. 226 contains an error with regard to the spacing of the poles and placement within wetlands. The distances between the three to four utility poles as the line approaches Salmon Brook Street will be approximately 20 feet and shall be determined by the final Eversource interconnection design. The distances of the remaining poles, including those that will span the wetland will be determined based upon Eversource final design requirements. However, these poles will be spaced at a much greater distance and will span the entirety of the wetland. Although KCE did not provide a distance between poles further away from the Salmon Brook Street interconnection point within its interrogatory responses, given the size of the wetland that will be crossed, it can be estimated that the distances between those poles will likely be greater than 55 feet and less than 200 feet.

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Should you have any questions concerning this submittal, please contact me at your convenience. I certify that copies of this submittal have been submitted to all parties on the Petition's Service List as of this date.

Sincerely,

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