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MEMORANDUM

To: Council on Environmental Quality, Environmental Monitor

From: Lisette Stone

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Date: August 21, 2023

Subject: Sponsoring Agency Determination and Findings for Southeastern Connecticut Water

Authority's Interconnection of Montville and Seven Oaks Divisions

Attached please find the Environmental Review Checklist for the above referenced project.

The above referenced project was published on March 7, 2023 in the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) *Environmental Monitor* in solicitation of public comments and in accordance with the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) requirements.

During the 30-day open public commenting period, the Department of Public Health (Department) received comments from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). DEEP also provided a Diversion Permit Need Determination upon request of the Applicant.

Based on the comments and responses received, and the analysis documented in the attached Environmental Review Checklist (ERC), the Department does not recommend the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA. The Department will coordinate with the water utility and town of Montville to ensure that recommendations received during the scoping period as appropriate are implemented.

The attached ERC demonstrates and documents that the Department intends to move forward with funding this project without requiring to have an EIE conducted.

Should you have any questions, submit them via email to <u>DPH.SourceProtection@ct.gov</u>





