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RE: **PETITION NO. 1217** – Eversource Energy declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed separation of the existing 1779/1777 115 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission lines for 1.6 miles within existing right of way from Bloomfield Substation to Bloomfield Junction;  proposed separation of the existing 1751/1777 115kV electric transmission lines for 5.3 miles within existing right of way from Bloomfield Junction to North Bloomfield Substation; modifications to the existing overhead 1779 115 kV electric transmission line to loop into the Rood Avenue Substation via underground cables; including related transmission line structure improvements; and modifications to the Bloomfield Substation, 40 Crestview Drive and North Bloomfield Substation, 2 Hoskins Road both in Bloomfield, Connecticut and modifications to the Rood Avenue Substation located at 275 Rood Avenue, Windsor, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Taylor:

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-62 (b) and in response to the email of June 19, 2017, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff hereby approves a temporary change to the Transmission Development and Management (D&M) Plan to allow construction activities associated with the above project to occur on Sunday, June 25, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for work in the vicinity of Structure No. 3-110\_1 in Bloomfield. The Sunday work hours (beyond the currently approved 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday work window) are necessary due to delays associated with construction challenges with the excavated shaft and the need to install Structure No. 3-110\_1 during a planned outage.

This approval applies only to the June 25, 2017 Sunday work hours requested by email on June 19, 2017. Any additional changes to the D&M Plan require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council’s approval of the Transmission D&M Plan on October 13, 2016. Furthermore, the project developer is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Melanie Bachman

Executive Director

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c: Council Members

Kathleen Shanley, Manager – Transmission Siting, Eversource Energy

The Honorable Joan A. Gamble, Mayor, Town of Bloomfield

Philip K. Schenck, Jr., Town Manager, Town Bloomfield

Jose Giner, Director of Planning, Town of Bloomfield