# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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October 20, 2016

Denise Horan, P.E.
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Town of East Hartford
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RONIC MAIL

RE: **PETITION NO. 1238** – Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed re-conductoring of 0.6 miles of its existing No. 1779 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line between South Meadow Substation in Hartford and the east side of structure 3001 in East Hartford and for the proposed rebuilding of 4.6 miles of its existing No. 1779 electric transmission line within existing Eversource right of way extending from structure 3001.5 in East Hartford to South Windsor Junction in South Windsor, traversing the municipalities of Hartford, East Hartford, and South Windsor, Connecticut, and related transmission line structure and substation improvements.

Dear Ms. Horan:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Engineering Division of the Town of East Hartford's correspondence dated October 18, 2016 concerning the above-referenced petition. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

This petition is on the Council's October 27, 2016 meeting agenda for discussion and decision. A copy of the agenda is enclosed for your convenience. Please note that you can view all of the documents related to this petition on our website at <a href="www.ct.gov/csc">www.ct.gov/csc</a> under the "Pending Matters" link. You may also keep apprised of Council events on the website calendar and agenda. If the Council decides to hold a public hearing, public notice of the hearing location, date and time will be provided.

Before reaching a final decision on a petition, the Council carefully considers all of the facts contained in the record that is developed by the Council, the petitioner, parties and intervenors to the petition, and members of the public who attend the field review and submit written statements to the Council.

Your comments shall become part of the official record in this matter in the form of a limited appearance defined under subsection (f) of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n. Copies of your correspondence will be distributed to the petitioner and parties and intervenors to the petition.

Thank you for your interest and concern in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman Acting Executive Director

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Enc: Agenda

c: Parties and Intervenors Council Members



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**ENGINEERING DIVISION** 

October 18, 2016

Melanie Bachman Acting Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06050 OCT 1 8 2016

Connecticut Siting Council

RE: Eversource Energy
1779 Line Reconductoring and Rebuild Project
CT Siting Council Petition
Town of East Hartford

Dear Ms. Bachman:

The following comments concerning the above reference were generated by a review of the plans revised on October 5, 2016 submitted to the Town by Eversource Energy. The Town's Engineering Division has been working with Eversource as it relates to the Town's flood protection system. Some of the comments noted below have been previously transmitted to Eversource Energy.

- 1. All debris associated with the tree clearing / trimming efforts located within the transmission line right of way in the vicinity of public property is to be removed from the site.
- 2. Any trees located on public property which need to be removed as part of the project are subject to the requirements of the Town's Tree Warden prior to their removal.
- 3. All work in the vicinity of Great River Park (phase 1 reconductoring) and Hockanum River Linear Park (phase 2 rebuild) is to be coordinated with the Town. Appropriate notices concerning any closures will be the responsibility of Eversource Energy. The work within Great River Park should be coordinated with the Riverfront Recapture (Town's Agent) but the final approval will be granted by the Town as the owner of the facility.
- Coordinate all work at Town properties and public roadways with the Town including the Public Safety Agencies as well as the State of Connecticut for the highway system crossings.
- 5. Identify all staging areas.
- 6. Identify any work pads to remain on public property.

- 7. The existing structure foundations located within the flood protection system right of way must be removed and the area properly restored. The work must comply with all USACE requirements / regulations.
- 8. The attachment "B" incorrectly references #765 Main Street as an address for various Town owned properties. Revise accordingly.
- 9. Access and work in the vicinity of the Two River Magnet School should be coordinated with the East Hartford Board of Education and / or Capital Region Education Council (CREC).
- 10. Provide detailed information on the proposed location of Structure 3005. The proposed location is located in close proximity to the existing Connecticut River outfall from the East Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility and the 30" vitrified clay sanitary sewer interceptor which connects with the Town's Meadow Hill pumping station. The 30" sanitary sewer interceptor is part of the federally constructed Flood Protection System and must be protected.
- 11. All work located within the right of way of the Town's flood Protection System is subject to Federal oversight by the USACE and the State oversight by the CT DEEP. Appropriate approvals are required. Crossings include the southern levee crossing in the vicinity of the Meadow Hill pump station, the Meadow Hill storage pond, the Prospect Street access road and the northern levee crossing.
- 12. Activities located within the flood protection system right of way require the approval of a work plans by the local sponsor (Town) and the USACE. Additional Town comments were generated by a review of the draft work plan for the project. The work plan must be revised accordingly.
- 13. The Town is concerned about the potential loading on the Meadow Hill box culvert outfall. Measures are to be taken to protect the concrete box culvert as well as MDC's EHWPCF Connecticut River outfall. All work in the vicinity of the EHWPCF outfall is to be coordinated with the Town and MDC.
- 14. Eversource Energy and its Contractor will be responsible to develop a flood contingency plan in the event of flooding of the Connecticut River and Hockanum River. Town forces must able to operate and maintain the System during the construction period. Flood fighting and surveillance operations will take place during all flood events.
- 15. Additional information on the location of Structure #3012 is requested. The Town has a large diameter storm drainage outfall and drainage channel in the vicinity of the proposed structure location. Impacts of the proposed structure location need to be evaluated.
- 16. Additional information on the installation of the transmission cables and its impact to the flood protection system are required.

The Town appreciates your consideration of our comments on the proposed project.

Sincerely,

Denise Horan, P.E.

Town Engineer

ce: Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor
Timothy A. Bockus, Director of Public Works

CT Siting Council Comments 063016





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DATE:

October 20, 2016

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Robert Stein, Chairman

RE:

Connecticut Siting Council Energy/Telecommunications Meeting

An Energy/Telecommunications meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council will be held on October 27, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

#### **AGENDA**

- Minutes of October 13, 2016
- 2. DOCKET NO. 466 The Connecticut Light & Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Frost Bridge to Campville 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line project that traverses the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Litchfield, and Harwinton, which consists of (a) construction, maintenance and operation of a new 115-kV overhead electric transmission line entirely within existing Eversource right-of-way and associated facilities extending approximately 10.4 miles between Eversource's existing Frost Bridge Substation in the Town of Watertown and existing Campville Substation in the Town of Harwinton; (b) related modifications to Frost Bridge Substation and Campville Substation; and (c) reconfiguration of a 0.4 mile segment of two existing 115-kV electric transmission lines across the Naugatuck River in the Towns of Litchfield and Harwinton within the same existing right-of-way as the new 115-kV electric transmission line. Independent Environmental Inspector.
- 3. DOCKET NO. 468 The Connecticut Light & Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bethel, Danbury, and Brookfield, which consists of (a) construction, maintenance and operation of a new 115-kV overhead electric transmission line entirely within existing Eversource right-of-way and associated facilities extending approximately 3.4 miles between Eversource's existing Plumtree Substation in the Town of Bethel to its existing Brookfield Junction in the Town of Brookfield; (b) reconfiguration of two existing 115-kV double-circuit electric transmission lines at Eversource's existing Stony Hill Substation in the Town of Brookfield; and (c) related substation modifications. Draft Findings of Fact.
- 4. PETITION NO. 1218 PSEG Power Connecticut LLC declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a new 485 megawatt (MW) dual fuel combined-cycle electric generating facility at the existing Bridgeport Harbor Station located at 1 Atlantic Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan Phase I.
- 5. **PETITION NO. 1238** Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the 1779 transmission line traversing the municipalities of Hartford, East Hartford, and South Windsor, Connecticut, and related transmission line structure improvements. Decision.



- 6. **PETITION NO. 1251** Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed rebuilding and reconductoring of approximately 3.8 miles of its existing No. 900 69-kV transmission line within existing right of way between Skungamaug Substation and Mansfield Junction in Coventry, Connecticut, and related transmission line structure improvements. Decision.
- 7. **PETITION NO. 1253** Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 99 Hamilton Avenue, Stamford, Connecticut. Decision.

### 8. Administrative Matters.

## • Regular Items

- > Upcoming Calendar Events:
  - Tuesday, November 1, 2016, public hearing beginning with a 2:00 p.m. public field review, a 3:00 p.m. evidentiary session, and a 7:00 p.m. public comment session for Docket No. 463A at the East Lyme Town Hall, Upper Meeting Room, 108 Pennsylvania Avenue, Niantic, Connecticut.
  - Thursday, November 3, 2016, evidentiary hearing session beginning at 11:00 a.m. for Docket No. 470 at the Connecticut Siting Council, Hearing Room 1, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
  - Thursday, November 10, 2016, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
  - Tuesday, November 15, 2016, evidentiary hearing session beginning at 11:00 a.m. for Docket No. 470 at the Connecticut Siting Council, Hearing Room 1, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

cc: Secretary of the State