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RE: **PETITION NO. 1238** - Eversource Energy 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. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated June 16, 2017 regarding the minor project changes to the above-referenced declaratory ruling that was approved by the Council on October 27, 2016.

Pursuant to Condition No. 3 of the Council's Decision on October 27, 2016, your request for the minor project changes as detailed in your June 16, 2017 submittal are hereby approved. In summary, the minor project modifications were the result of consultation with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, CT DOT, and the Towns of East Hartford and South Windsor and consist of the following:

- minor shifts in the location of five transmission structures in the area of the East Hartford flood control levee system to minimize impacts to the levee and avoid existing underground utilities;
- changes to the locations/size of work pads and access roads in East Hartford and South Windsor to reduce levee impacts, avoid underground utilities, and reduce construction-related traffic delays;
- remove trees and root systems near two structures to protect the levee system; and
- install an all-dielectric self-supporting communion cable between two structures in South Windsor and install a temporary access road in the existing right-of-way to facilitate the cable installation.

This approval applies only to the minor project changes dated June 16, 2017. Any significant changes to the project require advance Council notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

c: Council Members
Honorable Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor, Town of East Hartford
Matthew B. Galligan, Town Manager, Town of South Windsor