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Kathleen M. Shanley
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1291** - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the Towantic Line Upgrades Project that includes rebuilding and reconductoring approximately 4.4 miles of its existing 115-kilovolt electric transmission lines within existing Eversource right of way between Devon 7R Substation and East Devon Junction both located in the City of Milford, Connecticut; between the West Devon Junction located in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut and Trumbull Junction located in the Town of Trumbull, Connecticut; and between Devon 7R Substation located in the City of Milford, Connecticut and West Devon Junction located in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut and related transmission line structure improvements.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the correspondence dated September 1, 2017 regarding the minor project changes to the the above-referenced declaratory ruling that was approved by the Council on August 4, 2016.

Pursuant to Condition No. 4 of the Council's Decision on April 27, 2017, your request for the relocation of approved Structure No. 802 approximately 45 feet to the north; the installation of a temporary 90-foot wood pole close to relocated Structure No. 802; the relocation of Structure No. 719 approximately 87 feet to the south; and the temporary and permanent line configurations as specified on Exhibits 2A and 2B are hereby approved with the condition that any work performed within the contaminated soil area near Devon 7R Substation be performed consistent with the Soil Management Plan.

This approval applies only to the minor project changes dated September 1, 2017. Any significant changes to the project require advance Council notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors
Council Members
Susan Bellion, Project Siting Specialist, Eversource