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December 21, 2017

Kathleen M. Shanley
Manager-Transmission Siting
Eversource Energy
P.O. Box 270
Hartford, CT 06141-0270

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 December 20, 2017 regarding the minor project changes to the the above-referenced declaratory ruling that was approved by the Council on April 27, 2017.

Pursuant to Condition No. 4 of the Council's Decision on April 27, 2017, your request for the relocation of approximately 100 feet of already approved access road (located on the east side of Structure No. 829) to approximately 50 feet to the south to avoid a 12-foot ledge and the substitution of approximately 150 feet of access road on the west side (of the Structure No. 829 construction pad) with new access road located approximately 50 feet to the south to provide more space for construction vehicles is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the minor project changes dated December 20, 2017. Any significant changes to the project require advance Council notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

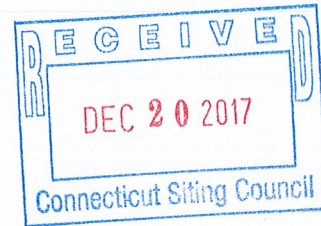
Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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

December 20, 2017

Melanie Backman, Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051



Re: Petition No. 1291
Towantic Line Upgrade Project
Change Location of Access Road at Structure #829

Dear Chairman Stein:

On April 28, 2017, Eversource Energy (“Eversource”) received a declaratory ruling from the Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need would not be required for the work proposed in Petition No. 1291 (“Petition”), subject to conditions.

Eversource Energy is requesting approval for the following change to the scope of work presented in the subject Petition:

Change Location of Access Road at Structure #829

The location of this requested change is at Structure #829 which is situated northeast of the North Town Center in the Town of Stratford and is shown on the attached revised copy of Page 14 of 16 of the mapsheets submitted with the subject Petition (see Attachment A).

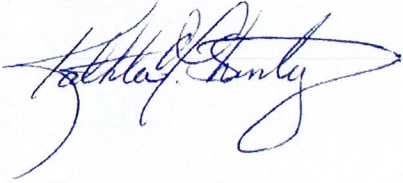
Eversource is requesting to shift approximately 100 feet of the proposed access road, located on the east side of the structure’s construction work pad, 50 feet to the south in order to avoid a 12 foot ledge that extends north from the center of the right-of-way (“ROW”). The new proposed access road will utilize an existing grade that is adequate for construction vehicles and will only require minor road improvements (i.e. gravel).

At this time Eversource is also requesting to substitute the use of approximately 150 feet of an existing access road on the west side of the same construction pad with a proposed new access road to be located approximately 50 feet to the south in to provide more space for construction vehicles to access the work pad for this structure.

Eversource herewith respectfully requests the Council's approval for these requested changes. Enclosed please find an original and 15 copies of this submission. Should you, the Council members or Council

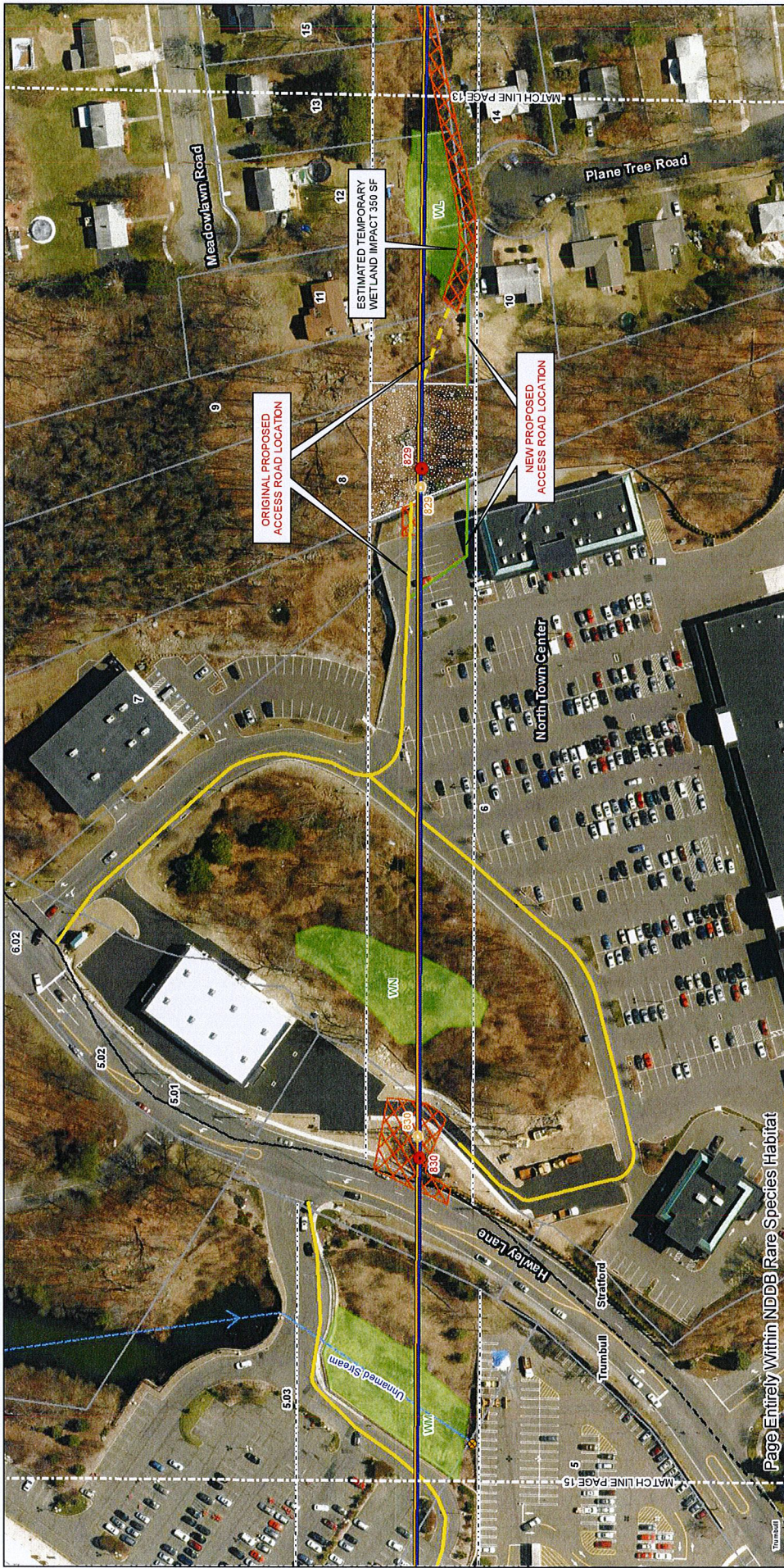
staff have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at kathleen.shanley@eversource.com or telephone at (860)728-4527.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kathleen Shanley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Enclosure

CC: The Honorable Laura R. Hoydick, Mayor, Town of Stratford
Christopher Tymniak, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Stratford
Mary Dean, Director of Economic Development, Town of Stratford



Page Entirely Within NDDDB Rare Species Habitat

**TOWANTIC 1710/1730
LINE UPGRADES PROJECT**
FEBRUARY 09, 2017
REVISED: DECEMBER 12, 2017

CITY OF MILFORD (NEW HAVEN COUNTY) AND TOWNS
OF STRATFORD AND TRUMBULL (FAIRFIELD COUNTY), CONNECTICUT
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MUNICIPALITY: STRATFORD, TRUMBULL

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Legend

Proposed Structure	Field Delineated Wetlands	Perennial Stream/river	New Proposed Structure Location
Ex. Structures 1730 Line - To Remain	NDDDB Rare Species Habitat	Intermittent Stream	New Proposed Access Road
Ex. Structures 1730 Line - To Be Removed	100' ROW Line	Parade	
Existing 1730 Line	Proposed Construction Mats	Eversource-Owned Parcels	
Ex. Structures 1710 Line - To Remain	Proposed Construction Mats	Existing Access	
Ex. Structures 1710 Line - To Be Removed	Coastal Boundary	New Access	
Existing 1710 Line	FEMA 100-Year Flood Zone	Preferred Alternate Access	
Existing 1680 Line	FEMA Regulatory Roadway	FEMA 100-Year Flood Zone	
Existing Structures (1680/1680 Line)	FEMA 500-Year Flood Zone	FEMA Regulatory Roadway	
Existing (Open Transmission Line)	Damage Features	FEMA 500-Year Flood Zone	

Data Sources:
GZA
CAI
FEMA
Commission
Base map from
ESRI/ArcGIS Online

Scale: 1 inch = 100 feet

0 50 100 200 Feet