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December 17, 2019

Kathleen M. Shanley
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1293-** Eversource Energy Declaratory Ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for all transmission facility asset condition maintenance improvements to comply with the updated National Electrical Safety Code clearance requirements.
NE-01 (Newtown). Corrected Decision Letter.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated December 16, 2019 regarding a minor change to the above-referenced project that was approved by the Council on October 7, 2019. The proposed modification consists of the replacement of an existing 3 pole wood angle structure, No. 1632, located east of Great Ring Road in Newtown. This structure was determined to be structurally deficient during field work related to the approved Project and would be replaced with a new light duty, weathering steel monopole structure within 15 feet of the existing structure. The new structure would be 5 feet taller in order to comply with NESC criteria.

The work would not affect any wetlands, vernal pools or flood zones, or require any Natural Diversity Database protective measures. No properties listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places are located within 500 feet of the proposed work area and no evidence of archaeological significance was found during a field evaluation at the structure location. Access to the site would be from existing right-of-way access roads.

Pursuant to the Council's Petition No. 1293 decision of March 31, 2017 and the October 7, 2019 decision on this sub-petition, your request for the proposed modification is hereby approved.

This approval applies only to the minor project change presented in your correspondence dated December 16, 2019. Any additional minor changes to the sub-petition decision require advance notification and approval.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

c: The Honorable Daniel Rosenthal, First Selectman, Town of Newtown
George Benson, Director of Planning, Town of Newtown

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