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The Honorable John A. Harkins
Mayor
Town of Stratford
Town Hall, Room 202
2725 Main Street
Stratford, CT 06615

RE: **PETITION NO. 1304** – The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed Stratford 115-kV Transmission Line Upgrade Project consisting of the removal and relocation of northern and southern sections of existing 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line structures from Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) catenary structures within the Metro-North Railroad corridor to new 115-kV transmission line structures to be located within the existing ConnDOT right of way and upgrade of 115-kV conductors extending approximately 1.9 miles from UI's Baird Substation to just west of the Housatonic River in Stratford, Connecticut, and related substation improvements.

Dear Mayor Harkins:

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of a petition for a declaratory ruling, to make modifications to an existing electric transmission facility in the Town of Stratford.

In accordance with Section 16-50j-40 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, on or about June 2, 2017, written notice of the intent to file the petition for a declaratory ruling was provided to the Council, the property owner of record, abutting property owners and the chief elected official of the municipality in which the existing electric transmission facility is located.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding the above-referenced petition for a declaratory ruling, please feel free to call me at 860-827-2951 or submit written comments to the Council by July 10, 2017.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Jay Habansky, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Town of Stratford