

September 6, 2018

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

Re: - Petition No. 1344 - Green Hill to Bokum to Upgrade Project
Access Road Between Structures 4860 and 4861 - Westbrook

Dear Ms. Bachman:

On October 27, 2017, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) issued a ruling that the subject Project would not have an adverse environmental effect and would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Since the time of the Council's ruling, a property owner has requested Eversource to use a separate existing gravel access road, installed and utilized by the property owner, to access Structures 4860 and 4861 in lieu of Eversource's proposed new access road. When developing the petition, Eversource made several attempts to contact this property owner for access to the gravel road with no success.

A portion of the property owner's existing access road is located off the right-of-way ("ROW") and Eversource has secured rights to utilize the property owner's land for access. Use of the property owner's access road would avoid impacting the property owner's maintained meadow, located within Eversource's existing ROW.

The proposed access road is graveled and located within 100 feet of vernal pool 10. Use of the road would require minor improvements (primarily top-dressing with gravel), but would result in minimal ground disturbance and no impact to adjacent Wetland 28. The off-ROW portion of this access would be matted to protect the property owners maintained lawn along the road.

As a result of this property owner's request, Eversource would not construct the proposed access road between Structures 4860 and 4861, which were previously approved by the Council. (See the revised Attachment A: Map Sheet 9 of 19) Also, since the submittal of Petition 1344, Eversource has also secured rights for the approved alternate access between structures 4859 and 4861 and this is reflected in the revised mapsheet.

An original and 15 copies of the revised mapsheets are attached. Eversource has briefed Town of Westbrook representatives regarding the Project modifications and has notified the abutting property owners.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me at 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 M. Shanley', with a stylized, flowing script.

Kathleen M. Shanley

Enclosure

Cc: First Selectman Noel Bishop, Town of Westbrook

