



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 26, 2018

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1353** - The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k for the proposed modifications to the existing Seaview Tap Substation located at 1677 Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney McDermott:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than November 16, 2018. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office, as well as a copy via electronic mail. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: Council Members

**Petition No. 1353**  
**UI**  
**1677 Seaview Avenue**  
**Bridgeport, CT**  
**Interrogatories**

**General**

1. Reference Drawing 24203-400 of the Petition dated October 19, 2018. The upper left portion of such drawing shows 180" (i.e. 180 inches) of added ground conductor on the western limits of the project. Was 180' (i.e. 180 feet) intended? Explain.
2. Would the western portion of the grounding project extend onto the 812 Barnum Avenue property owned by the City of Bridgeport? Or would the western portion of the ground project remain on The United Illuminating Company (UI) property? Would the eastern portion of the grounding project (identified with the 290-foot dimension) be located on GE property? Would all proposed fence work be located on GE property?
3. Reference Figure 4 – Location of Isolation Fence. How long would the proposed replacement fence section be on the northern limits of the project? How long would the proposed replacement fence section be on the eastern limits of the project? How tall would such replacement fencing be? Would it be the same or different height as the fence that it would replace? Would such replacement fence have barbed or razor wire on top?
4. How tall would the two proposed 30-foot long sections of isolation fence be? Would the proposed isolation fence sections have barbed or razor wire on top?
5. Page 7 of the Petition notes that approximately 750 feet of 4/0 copper grounding conductor would be installed outside of Seaview's eastern fence line. Drawing 24203-400 depicts 290 feet of conductor on the east portion, 180 feet of conductor on the west portion, and 160 feet of conductor on the north portion totaling approximately 630 feet. Estimate the total length of the proposed 4/0 conductor for the proposed project.
6. Reference Drawing 24203-400. With roughly 160 feet of new conductor to be located outside of the northern fence line, how would UI handle this installation as there is an existing sidewalk along the fence on Barnum Avenue? There is some type of electric meter device (on the sidewalk) near the corner of Seaview Avenue and Barnum Avenue. Would the installation of the new grounding conductor either interfere with or force the relocation of this meter device along Barnum Avenue?

7. Reference Drawing 24203-400 – Phase 2 Scope of Work. Why is crushed rock proposed on the northern and southern limits of the substation, but not necessarily coinciding with the proposed grounding work? Would crushed rock be added to any other areas of the proposed project?

### **Environmental**

8. Is the existing substation located within the 500-year flood zone? Since no new energized equipment is proposed at this time, would the flood elevation be a concern for the proposed project? Explain.
9. Provide the distance and direction from the work area to the nearest wetland/watercourse. Would the proposed erosion and sediment (E&S) controls (noted on page 10 of the Petition) protect adjacent wetlands/watercourses? Provide a drawing depicting the wetland/watercourse locations relative to the proposed project and the locations of the proposed E&S controls.