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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 16, 2014

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The United Illuminating Company
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RE: PETITION NO. 1120 – The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the Hawthorne Substation located at 180 Hawthorne Drive, Fairfield, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests further information regarding the above referenced petition. The Council requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than December 30, 2014. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

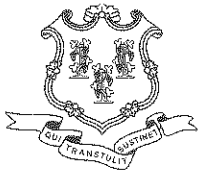
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Yours very truly,

Melanie Bachman
Acting Executive Director

cc: Bruce L. McDermott, Esq., UIL Holdings Corporation
Annette Jacobson, Conservation Commission, Town of Fairfield

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**The United Illuminating Company
Hawthorne Substation, Fairfield, Connecticut
Farmington, Connecticut
Petition Interrogatories**

1. What is the purpose of the proposed gravel area along the northeast side of the property? If it is for equipment storage, what type of equipment would be placed there and for what duration? Will the installation of the proposed gravel area require the removal and/or trimming of existing trees?
2. Please provide a copy of the environmental report prepared for the petition (described in the Town of Fairfield's letter of December 5, 2014)
3. Was a Natural Diversity Database Request to the CT DEEP performed? Please submit supporting documentation.
4. Was a wetland survey conducted for the project? If so, please submit. If not, why not?
5. Please describe stormwater control features that are protective of adjacent properties and wetlands/watercourses.
6. Can evergreens for visual screening be installed along any portion of the proposed south fenceline?
7. The diagram in the petition shows a fence gate along the west fenceline. Is access to the substation proposed from this side? If so, please provide details of the access road.
8. Please submit a site plan for the project that depicts the following:
 - a. Site clearing;
 - b. Site grading;
 - c. Distance to nearest wetlands;
 - d. Distance to nearest residence;
 - e. Fencing and component layout;
 - f. Landscaping; and
 - g. Drainage control features.