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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 23, 2019

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RE: Non-Compliance with Development and Management (D&M) Plan Conditions

DOCKET NO. 431 – South Norwalk Electric and Water Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of an electrical substation and its connection to an existing 115 kV transmission line, located at 180 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Norwalk, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Yatcko:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your letter dated December 19, 2019, submitted on behalf of South Norwalk Electric and Water, requesting an extension of time to submit the required written notifications and reports pursuant to Sections 16-50j-75 to 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council hereby grants a 6-month extension of time until June 20, 2020 to submit the required written notifications and reports for the above-referenced project.

This extension is granted with the understanding that the Council will be notified should South Norwalk Electric and Water need additional time to submit the required documents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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December 19, 2019

Ms. Melanie Bachman
Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
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RE: Non-Compliance Letter / Docket 431

Dear Ms. Bachman:

SNEW has been researching the Siting Council concerns stated in your October 18, 2019 letter. Currently, we are looking for documents related to the Notification of Commencement; Monthly Progress Reports and Notification of Completion Report. SNEW worked with Robinson & Cole on our Application and project management requirements and have contacted them in the hopes that they have these documents in their files.

On the site beautification requirements and City of Norwalk Planning and Zoning Department requirements, SNEW completed the vegetation planning requirements on the North and East sides of the Substation. The plan documents required chain link fence inserts on the South and West sides of the facility to screen the equipment view away from the adjoining properties.

As you might be aware, Eversource owns 50% of the Substation's 113 kV electric transmission equipment that supplies power to the substation. Recently, our Staff discovered that Eversource, due to Homeland Security Requirements (post 9/11) requested a change in the fence fabric from a light duty fence fabric to a high security fence fabric. This request is due to a post 9/11 Federal Energy Regulatory Council promulgate regulation called: "The Critical Infrastructure Procedures" which is to enhance security, monitoring and emergency response to terrorist threats on electric substations and other public utility facilities. So, since Eversource has requested this change, we have reached out to them for further guidance and advice.

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We believe we have a good start on this issue, but we need additional time to continue in order to close this Docket. Therefore, we are requesting a six-month extension on your Non-Compliance Letter in order to complete this research and bring this project to a good conclusion.

Thank you for your time and support. Please contact me if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Yatcko", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Paul Yatcko
General Manager & CEO