





June 27, 2016

NOTICE TO WATER COMPANIES REGARDING  
THE SOUTHWEST CONNECTICUT RELIABILITY PROJECT

The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource") is providing notice to water companies within the watershed affected by the proposed facility of its intent to apply to the Connecticut Siting Council on or about June 30 for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project ("Project").

Eversource is proposing to construct a new approximately 3.4-mile 115-kilovolt (kV) overhead electric transmission line from Eversource's existing Plumtree Substation in the Town of Bethel, through an eastern portion of the City of Danbury, to Brookfield Junction in the Town of Brookfield. Eversource also proposes to modify facilities and existing 115-kV line interconnections at its existing Stony Hill Substation, also located in the Town of Brookfield, and make modifications at Plumtree Substation. The transmission line would be located within Eversource's existing right-of-way

This notice is provided pursuant to Section VIII of the Connecticut Siting Council's Application Guide for an Electric and Fuel Transmission Line Facility (adopted February 2016).

Details regarding the Project are set forth in the enclosed notice.

THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND  
POWER COMPANY DOING BUSINESS  
AS EVERSOURCE ENERGY

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Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project

**Notice of Application by The Connecticut Light and Power Company  
doing business as Eversource Energy for Approval  
of a New 115-kV Electric Transmission Line  
in the Municipalities of Bethel, Danbury, and Brookfield, Connecticut**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 16-50/(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Section 16-50/-1(e) of the regulations of the Connecticut Siting Council, and the Application Guide for an Electric and Fuel Transmission Line Facility of the Connecticut Siting Council (adopted February 2016), notice is hereby given that The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy (Eversource) will on or about June 30, 2016, submit an Application to the Connecticut Siting Council seeking a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Application) for the Southwest Connecticut Reliability Project (Project).

The Project includes construction of a new approximately 3.4-mile 115-kilovolt (kV) overhead electric transmission line between Eversource's existing Plumtree Substation (located at 16 Walnut Hill Road in the Town of Bethel) and Brookfield Junction in the Town of Brookfield, related modifications to Plumtree Substation and Stony Hill Substation (located at 49 Stony Hill Road in the Town of Brookfield), and the reconfiguration of two existing 115-kV transmission lines that presently connect to Stony Hill Substation. All of the proposed Project facilities will be located within Eversource's existing, long-established right-of-way (ROW), which extends through portions of Bethel, Danbury, and Brookfield, or on Eversource-owned properties in those municipalities.

The Project is needed to bring the electric supply system in the Housatonic Valley-Norwalk-Plumtree electrical sub-area of Southwest Connecticut into compliance with national and regional reliability standards and criteria by eliminating potential thermal overloads and voltage violations identified in studies conducted by Independent System Operator-New England, the regional system planning authority.

The Application will describe the need for the Project; identify the proposed Project facilities; characterize the existing environmental conditions along the Proposed Route for the new 115-kV transmission line and at the Plumtree and Stony Hill substations; evaluate the Project's potential environmental and social impacts, along with measures to mitigate such impacts; and discuss the alternate routes and configurations considered for the new transmission line, including an evaluation of the environmental, engineering, reliability, operability, and cost considerations associated with those alternatives. If approved by the Connecticut Siting Council, Project construction is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2018. The new transmission line is proposed to be completed and in-service by the end of 2018.

For further information about this Project, please visit [www.Eversource.com](http://www.Eversource.com), call 1-800-793-2202, or email [TransmissionInfo@eversource.com](mailto:TransmissionInfo@eversource.com).

**SWCT RELIABILITY PROJECT, CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>ADDRESSEE</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>CITY, STATE, ZIP</b>
<b>Economic Development Commissions/Chambers of Commerce</b>			
Bethel Economic Development Commission	Janice Chrzescijanek, Director	1 School Street	Bethel, CT 06801
Danbury Office Of Economic Development	Wayne Shepperd	155 Deer Hill Avenue	Danbury, CT 06810
Brookfield Economic Development Commission	Harold Kurfehs Chairman	100 Pocono Road	Brookfield, CT 06804
Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce	Stephen A. Bull President	39 West Street	Danbury, CT 06810
Bethel Chamber of Commerce	Bobbi Jo Beers, President	184 Greenwood Avenue	Bethel, CT 06801
Brookfield Chamber of Commerce	Susan Queenan	825 Federal Road	Brookfield, CT 06804
Western Connecticut Council of Governments	Francis Pickering, Executive Director	162 Whisconier Road	Brookfield, CT 06804
<b>Land Trusts</b>			
Bethel Land Trust, Inc.	Don Warfield, President	P.O. Box 332	Bethel, Connecticut 06801
The Land Trust of Danbury	Michael Marcus	P.O. Box 32	Danbury, CT 06813
Brookfield Open Space Legacy, Inc	Lou Memoli	P.O. Box 5316	Brookfield, CT 06804
<b>Environmental Groups</b>			
Lake Lillinonah Authority	Anne Schiessel	22 Hidden Brook Rd.	Brookfield, CT, 06804
Audubon Connecticut	Stewart Hudson, Executive Director	613 Riversville Road	Greenwich, CT 06831
Connecticut League of Conservation Voters	Lori Brown, Executive Director	553 Farmington Avenue Suite 201	Hartford, CT 06105
The Nature Conservancy, Connecticut Chapter	Frogard Ryan, State Director	55 Church Street, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	New Haven, CT 06510
Citizens Campaign for the Environment	Sarah Witham, Connecticut Outreach Director	2404 Whitney Avenue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Hamden, CT 06518

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<b>Trail Organizations*</b>			
Connecticut Forest & Park Association (CFPA)	Eric Lukingbeal, President	16 Meriden Road	Rockfall, CT 06481-2372
Ives Trail & Regional Greenway Association		70 Southern Boulevard	Danbury, CT 06810
*Several trails are also traversed lands within jurisdictions of the ACOE and CT DEEP; these government agencies are being provided separate notice.			
<b>River Protection Organizations</b>			
Rivers Alliance of Connecticut	Margaret Miner, Executive Director	7 West Street, 3rd Floor	Litchfield, CT 06759
Housatonic Valley Association	Lynn Werner, Executive Director	P.O. Box 28	Cornwall Bridge, CT 06754
<b>Historic Preservation Groups</b>			
Bethel Historical Society	Patricia Rist, President	P.O. Box 1776	Bethel, CT 06801
Brookfield Museum & Historical Society	Bob Brown, President	165 Whisconier Road P.O. Box 5231	Brookfield, CT 06804
Danbury Museum & Historical Society	Geoff Herald, President	43 Main Street	Danbury, CT 06810
Danbury Preservation Trust	Paulette L. Pepin, President	254 Main St., # 256	Danbury, CT 06810
Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation	Charles Janson, Chairman	940 Whitney Avenue	Hamden, CT 06517
<b>Advocacy Groups for the Protection of Long Island Sound</b>			
Connecticut Fund for the Environment	Don Strait, President, Connecticut Fund For the Environment and its program Save the Sound	142 Temple Street Suite 305	New Haven, CT 06510
Long Island Sound Foundation	Susan McNamara, Executive Director	1084 Shennecosset Road Community & Professional Bldg 19	Groton, CT 06340
<b>Water Companies</b>			
Bethel Utility Department	Kelly Curtis	1 School Street	Bethel, CT 06801
Aquarion Water Company	Charles Firlotte, President	200 Monroe Turnpike	Monroe, CT 06468

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Rural Water Company, Inc.		225 Greenwood Avenue	Bethel, CT 06801
Rural Water Company, Inc.		13 Arrowhead Road	Brookfield, CT 06804
Danbury Department of Public Utilities	David Day, Superintendent	53 Newtown Road	Danbury, CT 06810
Brookfield Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA)	Kristi McPadden	P.O. Box 5106	Brookfield, CT 06804