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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 2, 2018

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 474** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Greater Hartford-Central Connecticut Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Hartford, West Hartford, and Newington, which consists of (a) construction, maintenance and operation of a new 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line within existing Eversource, Amtrak and public road rights-of-way and associated facilities extending overhead approximately 2.4 miles and underground approximately 1.3 miles between Eversource's existing Newington Substation in the Town of Newington and existing Southwest Hartford Substation in the City of Hartford; (b) modifications to a .01 mile section within existing Eversource right-of-way of the existing overhead 115-kV electric transmission line connection to the Newington Substation (Newington Tap); and (c) related modifications to Newington Substation and Southwest Hartford Substation.

Dear Ms. Shanley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than August 20, 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 send a copy via electronic mail. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies 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.

Copies of your responses shall be provided to all parties and intervenors listed on the service list, which can be found on the Council's pending proceedings website.

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.

Yours very truly,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director
MB/MP

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Service List

Docket No. 474
D&M Plan Interrogatories
August 2, 2018
Set One

Notice and Public Outreach

1. Referencing page 14 of Volume 1-UG of the Development and Management Plan (D&M Plan), on June 8, 2018, Eversource submitted a draft D&M Plan to the chief elected officials of Newington and Hartford. Is the D&M Plan filed with the Council on July 6, 2018 substantially the same as the draft D&M Plan submitted to the municipalities, or were there any substantive changes/updates since the draft version (other than discussion of municipal comments)? Explain.
2. Was a copy of the D&M Plan submitted to the Town of West Hartford per Condition 2 of the Council's Decision and Order? If no, please submit a copy to the Town of West Hartford.
3. Referencing page 45 of Volume 1-SS/Tap of the D&M Plan, it notes, "Eversource's Project information and email address are currently available, via the website noted in Section 8.1... (emphasis added)" The D&M Plan does not contain a Section 8.1. Was that a typo and Section 6.1 was intended? Explain

Permitting

4. Provide the status of the permitting as identified on Table 2-1 on page 19 of Volume 1-SS/Tap and page 16 of Volume 1-UG.

Underground Transmission Design

5. Reference Finding of Facts #28(d) and #29(d). To the extent located within the state highway ROW, do the duct bank depths comply with DOT Utility Accommodate Manual?
6. Are both transition structures on the northern and southern ends of the overhead line (and west of the Amtrak ROW) included in this phase of the D&M Plan, or will they be part of the future phase of the D&M Plan for the overhead construction? If they are part of this phase of the D&M Plan, would they be galvanized structures and in the 95 to 105-foot tall range? Explain.

Substation Expansion Design

7. Reference Volume 1-SS/Tap Appendices, Exhibit A.4, Sheet 1 – Proposed Additions. Estimate the height or range of heights of the retaining wall to be constructed on the south and southwest portions of Newington Substation.
8. While seven-foot chain link fence (with 1.25-inch mesh) with one foot of barbed wire on top is proposed for substation expansion areas, are the existing fences at Newington Substation and Southwest Hartford Substation also seven feet tall? Do the existing fences have barbed wire?