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January 22, 2019

Helen M. Taylor, MBA Project Siting Specialist Eversource Energy 56 Prospect Street Hartford, CT 06103

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. D&M Plan Work Hours Extension.

## Dear Ms. Taylor:

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-62 (b) and in response to your email of January 18, 2019, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff hereby approves a temporary change to the Partial Development and Management (D&M) Plan to allow dewatering activities associated with the above project to be performed overnight from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. from January 2019 through March 2019. Specifically, dewatering will be performed on January 24, 2019; February 15, 2019; and February 28, 2019 in the vicinity of vault locations located at Avery Road, Newington; West Hartford Road, Newington; and Shepard Drive, Newington, respectively. These overnight work hours are necessary to support dewatering of vaults located in high water table areas.

Pumps will need to run continuously overnight, for approximately two days and up to seven days depending on rainfall duration and efficiency of the dewatering pump system. Pumps will run for at least one work shift before overnight operations will take effect to help in determining the adequacy of site erosion control measures.

For duct bank trenching, Eversource anticipates that excavation within its ROW to the east side of Avery Road (in the vicinity of Wetland N-2) and east of West Hartford Road (in the vicinity of Wetland N-3) may also require continuous pumping and dewatering operations overnight. Excavation is scheduled within these areas to continue from the end of January 2019 through March 2019.

Low-decibel generators will be located at various locations within Eversource's ROW for the dewaterating process. The pumping/dewatering operations will take place on an as-needed basis in accordance with Eversource's Best Mangement Practices. After hours monitoring of the pump



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system will also occur. Noise levels are expected to comply with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection noise standards.

This approval applies only to the temporary additional work hours requested in your email of January 18, 2019. Any additional changes to the Partial D&M Plan require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council's approval of the Partial D&M Plan on August 31, 2018. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

MB/MP

c: Parties and Intervenors

The Honorable Roy Zartarian, Mayor, Town of Newington Tanya Lane, Town Manager, Town of Newington Craig Minor, Town Planner, Town of Newington

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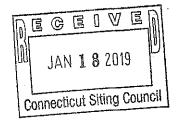
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FW: Docket No. 474 Overnight Work Hours starting 1/24

Sorry, meant to send this to the Siting Council email too. Helen M. Taylor, MBA Project Siting Specialist 56 Prospect Street Hartford, CT 06103 860-728-4545



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Subject: Docket No. 474 Overnight Work Hours starting 1/24

RE:

Docket No. 474: Greater Hartford-Central Connecticut Reliability Project

Development and Management Plan Change Notice Request - Overnight Work Hours

#### Dear Ms. Bachman:

Pursuant to the Connecticut Siting Council's (Council's) Decision and Order in Docket No. 474, and Volume 2, Attachment A, Section A.2 of the Greater Hartford–Central Connecticut Reliability Project (Project) Development and Management Plan for the New 115-kV Transmission Line – Underground Segment, The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy (Eversource) submits to Council staff for review and approval the following for extended work hour request in the Town of Newington.

The requested overnight work hours (7 PM to 7 AM) is only to support dewatering for the installation of the three vaults that are located in a high water table and during the duct bank trench operation within Eversource's ROW, as described below:

#### Vault Installation Locations:

- 1. Adjacent to Avery Road is scheduled for 1/24/19.
- 2. Adjacent to West Hartford Avenue is scheduled for 2/15/19.
- 3. Along Shepard Avenue is scheduled for 2/28/19.

Pumps are required to run continuously overnight, for approximately 2 days and up to 7 days depending on rainfall duration and efficiency of the dewatering pump system. Pumps run for at least one work shift before the overnight operations will take effect to help in determining on site erosion control measures are adequate.

## **Duct Bank Trenching in Eversource's ROW:**

Eversource anticipates that excavation within Eversource's ROW to the east side of Avery Road (Wetland N-2) and east of West Hartford Road (Wetland N-3) may require continuous pumping and dewatering operations overnight. Excavation is scheduled within these areas to continue from the end of January 2019 through March 2019.

Also, low decibel generators will be located at various locations within Eversource's ROW. The pumping/dewatering operations will take place on an as-needed basis for overnight dewatering to mitigate the dewatering activity, in accordance to Eversource's Best Management Practices. The generators would emit noise levels less than approximately 20 decibels (the Town of Newington's nighttime noise level standard is within 45 decibels).

After hours monitoring of the pump system will occur. Eversource informed the Town of Newington and abutters will be notified before the proposed work begins.

Should you or staff have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact Kathleen Shanley via e-mail at <a href="mailto:kathleen.shanley@eversource.com">kathleen.shanley@eversource.com</a> or telephone at (860) 728-4527.

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