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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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John Morissette, Project Manager – Transmission Siting CT

Eversource Energy

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1216** – Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to its existing Long Mountain Switching Station located at Long Mountain Road, New Milford, Connecticut and the reconductoring of approximately 5.3 miles of its existing No. 398 345-kV transmission line from Long Mountain Switching Station to the New York/Connecticut state line in New Milford, Sherman, and Kent, Connecticut, and related transmission line structure improvements.

Dear Mr. Morissette:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than March 17, 2016. 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 a copy via electronic mail. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, 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.

Yours very truly,

Melanie A. Bachman
Acting Executive Director

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c: Council Members

Petition No. 1216
Eversource
New Milford, Sherman, and Kent
Interrogatories – Set 1

1. On page one of The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy's (Eversource) Petition (Petition), Eversource notes that the proposed project would eliminate significant adverse impacts e.g. reductions of the NY-NE transfer limit. Would the proposed project have the potential to increase transfer limits between New York and New England?
2. On page three of the Petition, in the #398 Line Reconductoring section, does "2156" refer to the kcmil size of the conductors?
3. On page three of the Petition, Eversource notes that the #8039 replacement structure would be located in nearly the same location as the existing structure. Roughly how many feet would the new #8039 structure be shifted from the old structure location?
4. How far away is the nearest residence from the proposed replacement structure #8039?
5. On page five of the Petition, Eversource notes that Long Mountain Cemetery is the closest historical feature to the proposed project. Is Long Mountain Cemetery on the National Register of Historic Places?
6. From a visual perspective, would the proposed reconductoring project impact the Appalachian Trail in Kent?