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VIA MESSENGER AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

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The Honorable Daniel Caruso, Esq.
Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: **Docket No. 317 - The United Illuminating Company Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction, Maintenance, and Operation of a Proposed 115-kV/13.8-kV Electric Substation and Associated Facilities Located at 3-7 Wildflower Lane, Trumbull Connecticut**

Dear Chairman Caruso:

Earlier today, The United Illuminating Company ("UI"), First Selectman Baldwin and representatives from the Wildflower Coalition Petitioners ("WCP") (collectively, the "Parties") met to discuss the various design elements of an architectural wall around the substation which is to be located at UI's proposed Trumbull Substation location on Wildflower Lane. Based on those discussions, the Parties have agreed to the following. UI will, if ordered by the Council in the decision and order, undertake the construction, maintenance and operation of the substation as follows:

1. A concrete wall will be constructed to completely surround the substation. The Town and the WCP believe that the entire substation needs to be surrounded in order to provide proper visual mitigation from all surrounding residences that will experience views.
2. The gates to the substation will be made of concrete panels that will slide in order to provide access to the substation.
3. UI will build the wall at a height of 17' (assuming engineering feasibility). The wall will be constructed so as to minimize changes in elevation of the wall. The 17' height is the maximum height the wall can be without requiring a special order from the manufacturer.
4. The primary access road will be from Nichols Avenue, with a secondary access road to be located on the northern Wildflower Lane access road as shown in

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the application. The exit on Wildflower Lane will only be used during emergencies (e.g., when a mobile substation is needed at the substation). Otherwise all access to the substation will be from Nichols Avenue. This design will reduce the amount of vegetative clearing that will be required on the substation property if the entrance and exit are located on Nichols Avenue.

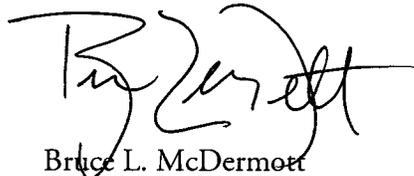
5. A berm, a minimum 4' in height, will be placed around the substation on the outside of the wall, and vegetative plantings will be placed on the berm in order to maximize the visual screening. UI will provide the Town and WCP with a planting list and UI agrees that trees to be planted will be a minimum of 14-16' in height. If the berm and plantings are to be placed within CL&P's right-of-way, the berm and plantings shall be subject to CL&P's approval.

6. UI will provide the Town and WCP with color and texture options for the wall for their selection. These options will be based on color and texture options available from the manufacturer.

I have informed counsel for The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P"), Attorney Golden, of the results of today's meeting and Attorney Golden has authorized me to inform the Council that CL&P has no objection to the above-listed items.

If you or the Council have any questions about this UI filing, please call me.

Very truly yours,



Bruce L. McDermott

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