

**In The Matter Of:**

*Application from the United Illuminating Company  
for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility*

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*Public Hearing Docket No. 465  
February 25, 2016*

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1 STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
2 CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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4 Docket No. 465

5 Application from the United Illuminating Company  
6 for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility  
7 and Public Need for the Construction, Maintenance,  
8 and Operation of a 115/13.8-Kilovolt Replacement  
9 Substation Facility Located on an Approximately  
10 1.5 Acre Portion of Two Adjoining UI-Owned Parcels  
11 Directly Adjacent to UI's Existing Baird  
12 Substation, 1770 Stratford Avenue, Stratford,  
13 Connecticut, and Related Transmission Structure  
14 and Interconnection Improvements

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16 Siting Council Public Hearing held at the  
17 Stratford Town Hall, Council Chambers, 2725 Main  
18 Street, Stratford, Connecticut, Thursday, February  
19 25, 2016, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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21 H e l d B e f o r e :

22 ROBIN STEIN, Chairman  
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1    A p p e a r a n c e s :

2            Council Members:

3                    SEN. JAMES J. MURPHY, JR.,  
4                    Vice Chairman

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6                    ROBERT HANNON,  
7                    DEEP Designee

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9                    COMM. MICHAEL A. CARON  
10                    PURA Designee

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12                    DANIEL P. LYNCH, JR.

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14            Council Staff:

15                    MELANIE BACHMAN, ESQ.,  
16                    Executive Director and  
17                    Staff Attorney

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19                    MICHAEL PERRONE  
20                    Siting Analyst

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1                   THE CHAIRMAN: Ladies and  
2 gentlemen, I'd like to call to order this hearing  
3 of the Connecticut Siting Council, today Thursday,  
4 February 25, 2016, at 7 p.m. My name is Robin  
5 Stein. I'm Chairman of the Connecticut Siting  
6 Council.

7                   Other members of the Council  
8 present are Senator Murphy, our Vice Chairman;  
9 Mr. Hannon, designee from the Department of energy  
10 and Environmental Protection; Mr. Lynch.

11                   Members of the staff, Attorney  
12 Melanie Bachman, our Executive Director and Staff  
13 Attorney; and Mr. Perrone, our citing analyst.

14                   This hearing tonight has been  
15 reserved first for the public to make short  
16 statements into the record. These public  
17 statements are not subject to questions from  
18 parties or from the Council. And members of the  
19 Council making statements may not ask questions of  
20 the parties, or Council.

21                   These statements will become part  
22 of the record for the Council's consideration. A  
23 sign-up sheet is available for those who would  
24 like to participate. And I will now call on the  
25 list, from the list for those to make a statement.

1 The first one, Brad Hittle. If you would come up?

2 You have your choice of standing or  
3 sitting. Anyway, thank you, sir.

4 BRAD HITTLE: My pleasure. Hello.  
5 There we go. Okay. Well, I'm the CEO of Two  
6 Roads Brewing Company, which is contiguous to the  
7 property that's being discussed tonight.

8 And the only statement I'd like to  
9 make is that we have reviewed the plan. United  
10 Illuminating has been very accommodating with  
11 regard to making us aware of their plans. We've  
12 worked very closely with them to make sure that  
13 their development plan doesn't impede in any way  
14 with our business, and it doesn't.

15 And so I just wanted to make sure  
16 that's very clear, that we're quite pleased with  
17 the plan and we're happy to work with the utility  
18 to make sure it gets developed on their timetable.  
19 And we can certainly work with them on any  
20 reconstruction needs. So that's my only  
21 statement.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

23 Despite the large number of people  
24 in attendance, you're the only person who  
25 wishes -- who has signed up. Is there anybody

1 else who would like to speak?

2 (No response.)

3 THE CHAIRMAN: Before closing, this  
4 hearing, the Connecticut Siting Council announces  
5 that briefs and proposed findings of fact may be  
6 filed with the Council by any party or intervener  
7 no later than March 25, 2016. Submission of  
8 briefs or proposed findings of fact are not  
9 required by the Council. Rather, we leave it to  
10 the choice of the parties and intervenors.

11 Anyone who has not become a party  
12 or intervener but who desires to make his or her  
13 views known to the Council may file written  
14 statements with the Council within 30 days of the  
15 date hereof.

16 The Council will issue draft  
17 findings of fact, and thereafter parties and  
18 intervenors may identify errors or inconsistencies  
19 between the Council draft findings of fact and the  
20 record, however no new information, no new  
21 evidence, no argument, no reply briefs without our  
22 permission will be considered by the Council.

23 Copies of the transcript of this  
24 hearing will be filed at the Stratford Town  
25 Clerk's office.

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And I hereby declare this hearing  
adjourned, and thank you all for your  
participation and drive home safely.

(Whereupon, the above proceedings  
were concluded at 7:05 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing 6 pages are a complete and accurate computer-aided transcription of my original verbatim notes taken of the Siting Council Public Hearing in Re: Docket No. 464, APPLICATION FROM THE UNITED ILLUMINATING COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF A 115/13.8-KILOVOLT REPLACEMENT SUBSTATION FACILITY LOCATED ON AN APPROXIMATELY 1.5 ACRE PORTION OF TWO ADJOINING UI-OWNED PARCELS DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO UI'S EXISTING BAIRD SUBSTATION, 1770 STRATFORD AVENUE, STRATFORD, CONNECTICUT, AND RELATED TRANSMISSION STRUCTURE AND INTERCONNECTION IMPROVEMENTS, which was held before ROBIN STEIN, Chairman, at the Stratford Town Hall, Council Chambers, 2725 Main Street, Stratford, Connecticut, February 25, 2016.



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