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**Via Electronic Mail & Hand Delivery**


New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301

**Re: New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee – Docket No. 2015-04  
Application of Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy  
("Eversource") for a Certificate of Site and Facility for the Construction of a New  
115 kV Transmission Line from Madbury Substation to Portsmouth Substation**

Dear Ms. Monroe:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned matter, please find an original and one copy of an Affidavit of Barry Needleman.

Sincerely,



Viggo C. Fish

VCF:slb

Enclosures

cc: SEC Distribution List

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**SEC DOCKET NO. 2015-04**

**APPLICATION OF  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
D/B/A EVERSOURCE ENERGY  
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF SITE AND FACILITY**

**AFFIDAVIT OF BARRY NEEDLEMAN**

I, Barry Needleman, being duly sworn, do under oath depose and state as follows:

1. I am a Director at McLane Middleton, Professional Association, which represents Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy in the above-captioned matter.

2. Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource”) proposes to construct an approximately 12.9-mile 115 kV transmission line from Madbury Substation in Madbury, New Hampshire to Portsmouth Substation in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

3. RSA 162-H:10 requires that Eversource, as an applicant for a Certificate of Site and Facility, hold at least one public hearing in each county in which the proposed facility will be located within 90 days after acceptance of its Application by the Site Evaluation Committee.

4. By Order dated August 5, 2016, Eversource is required to cause a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing to be published in one or more newspapers having a regular circulation in Strafford County and Rockingham County no later than August 17, 2016.

5. The Order further requires Eversource to provide an affidavit documenting the required publication of the Order and Notice as well as a copy of the published public notice to the Site Evaluation Committee Administrator no later than August 21, 2016.

6. Pursuant to the Order, a Notice of Public Information Session for Strafford County and Rockingham County was published in the New Hampshire Union Leader on August 11, 2016, a newspaper of regular circulation in each County, which meets the August 21, 2016 deadline.

7. A copy of the Notice of Public Information Session is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

8/15/16  
Date

[Signature]  
Barry Needleman

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
COUNTY OF MERRIMACK

Personally appeared before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016, the above-described Barry Needleman, and made oath that the statements contained in the within Affidavit are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge and belief.

[Signature]  
~~Notary Public/Justice of the Peace~~  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



**EXHIBIT A**

**Legal Notice**

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**Docket No. 2015-04  
Re: Application of Public Service  
Company of New Hampshire  
d/b/a Eversource Energy for a  
Certificate of Site and Facility**

**ORDER AND NOTICE**

It is hereby ordered, that the Site Evaluation Committee Subcommittee (Subcommittee) appointed in this docket pursuant to RSA 162-H:4-a, will conduct a public hearing on **August 31, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Newington Town Hall, 205 Nimble Hill Road, Newington, NH.

It is hereby ordered, that the Subcommittee will conduct a public hearing on **September 1, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Oyster River High School, 55 Coe Drive, Durham, NH.

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall cause a copy of the following Notice of public hearing to be published no later than **August 17, 2016**, in one or more newspaper(s) having a regular circulation in Rockingham County and Strafford County.

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall provide an affidavit documenting the required publication of this order and notice and a copy of the published public notice to the Administrator no later than **August 21, 2016**; and

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall bear the cost of said publication.

By Order of the Site Evaluation Committee, this fifth day of August, 2016.

Robert R. Scott, Presiding Officer  
Site Evaluation Committee

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**DOCKET NO. 2015-04  
Re: Application of Public Service  
Company of New Hampshire d/b/a  
Eversource Energy for a  
Certificate of Site and Facility**

On April 12, 2016, Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy, filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application) with the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee). Eversource seeks the issuance of a Certificate of Site and Facility approving the siting, construction, and operation of a new 115 kV electric transmission line between existing substations in Madbury, NH and Portsmouth, NH. The new transmission line will be approximately 12.9 miles in length and is comprised of a combination of above ground, underground, and underwater segments. The project will be located in the Towns of Madbury and Durham in Strafford County, and the Town of Newington and the City of Portsmouth in Rockingham County.

On April 29, 2016, pursuant to RSA 162-H:4-a, the Chairman of the Committee appointed a Subcommittee in this docket. On June 13, 2016, the Subcommittee issued an order finding that the Application contained sufficient information to carry out the purposes of RSA 162-H.

RSA 162-H:10, I-c, requires that within 90 days after acceptance of an application for a certificate, the Subcommittee shall hold at least one public hearing in each county where the proposed facility will be located. The public hearing is a joint hearing, with representatives of state agencies that have permitting or other regulatory authority over the subject matter and shall be in lieu of all hearings otherwise required by any of the other state agencies. The Applicant will provide the public with information on the proposed project, and the Subcommittee will provide an opportunity for the public to provide comments and to ask questions about the project or the process.

The Rockingham County public hearing will be held on **August 31, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Newington Town Hall, 205 Nimble Hill Road, Newington, NH.**

The Strafford County public hearing will be held on **September 1, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Oyster River High School, 55 Coe Drive, Durham, NH.**

The Application and all other filings in this docket are located on the Committee's website [www.nhsec.nh.gov](http://www.nhsec.nh.gov) or by contacting Pamela Monroe, Administrator, Site Evaluation Committee, [Pamela.monroe@sec.nh.gov](mailto:Pamela.monroe@sec.nh.gov) or (603) 271-2435.

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