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Subject: Comments for Today's DES Site Evaluation Committee Public Hearing

Hello-

Unfortunately my wife and I are unable to attend today's DES Site Review Committee hearing. Thus we would like to convey to the committee our position as Newington residents.

We oppose the Eversource Seacoast Reliability Project Plans. Specifically, the high tension towers will permanently scar our small community, a community which has already committed much of our real estate to various industrial and commercial uses. Our modest and historic village and residential areas should be spared any additional and unnecessary visual degradation. Technology exists which allows for high tension lines to be buried; to avoid this viable option highlight's Eversource's apparent disregard for its residential customers and its disdain for our environment. Likewise the Little Bay cable crossing plans require large and unsightly concrete mattresses (visible at low tide) to shield the high tension cables. For decades dedicated folks and agencies have made significant progress in restoring the Great Bay estuary and preserving/nurturing the estuarie's remaining natural habitat. Thus we also oppose the construction of concrete mattresses along the shoreline. Such construction is a significant and permanent step backwards with respect to ongoing restoration efforts.

We thank the Committee in advance for taking into consideration our position before making a final decision.

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