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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ENERGY FACILITIES SITING BOARD

NOTICE OF SITING BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2024 9:00 a.m.



http://www.mass.gov/infodetails/greater-cambridgeenergy-program

EFSB 22-03/D.P.U. 22-21 – Greater Cambridge Energy Program

On March 10, 2022, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §§ 69J, 72, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or "Company") filed petitions with the Energy Facilities Siting Board ("Siting Board") and the Department of Public Utilities to construct: (1) eight new 115 kV underground transmission lines that will be housed in a total of five new duct banks, totaling approximately 8.3 miles, in portions of Cambridge, Somerville, and the Allston/Brighton area of Boston (the "New Lines"); (2) a new 115/14 kV substation, which will be located in an underground vault on a property between Broadway and Binney Streets in the Kendall Square area of Cambridge (the "New Substation"); and (3) modifications to certain existing substation facilities in Cambridge, Somerville, and Allston/Brighton. This work is collectively referred to as the "Greater Cambridge Energy Program," or the "Project."

The Siting Board will conduct a public meeting regarding the Project. The purpose of the Siting Board meeting is to listen to comments, deliberate, and vote on whether to approve, approve with conditions or amendments, or reject a Tentative Decision regarding this Project. The Tentative Decision is available on the Siting Board's information webpage for this proceeding: http://www.mass.gov/info-details/greater-cambridge-energy-program.

The Siting Board meeting will be in-person and on Zoom, Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

In-person meeting location: 1 South Station, Boston, MA 02110, 3rd floor, Large Hearing Room. Building security requires a government-issued photo ID. Nearby transit station: South Station (Red Line).

Remote attendees: join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89476314615 from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. For audio-only access, call (646) 558-8656 (not toll free) and enter ID: 8947-631-4615

Public Access and Opportunity for Public Comment

Written comments on the Tentative Decision are due by the close of business Tuesday, June 25, 2024. Please file comments by email at dpu.efiling@mass.gov and donna.sharkey@mass.gov.

The parties will be allowed to make oral comments at the Siting Board meeting. 980 CMR 1.08. Public comments will also be allowed during the meeting at the direction and discretion of the Siting Board Chair. To provide brief oral comments at the Siting Board meeting (in person or on Zoom), please send an email to Yonathan.Mengesha@mass.gov with your name, email address, and mailing address by Yonathan.Mengesha@mass.gov with your name, email address, and mailing address by Yonathan.Mengesha@mass.gov with your name, email address, and mailing address by this date. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker, as meeting time permits.

For Zoom technical assistance call or text (857) 200-0065. A recording of the Siting Board meeting will be posted to YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCklPj6xxSKww-Kr26lEZVTA/streams.

Language Access and Accommodation Requests

Interpretation services for the Siting Board meeting (in-person and Zoom) will be provided in Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, and Mandarin. Additional language interpretation services are available upon request. Include in your request the language required and a way to contact you if we need more information. Requests must be made no later than June 20, 2024. It may not be possible to accommodate last-minute requests. Contact the Presiding Officer to make a request (contact information below).

Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities (<u>e.g.</u>, Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format) are available upon request. Include a complete description of the accommodation you will need and a way we can contact you if we need more information. Please provide as much advance notice as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but we may be unable to fulfill the request. Please send your requests to: <u>Jenyka.Spitz-Gassnola2@mass.gov</u> ADA and Diversity Manager at the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

Contact

Any person desiring additional information regarding this Notice may contact the Presiding Officer:

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