

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
ENERGY FACILITIES SITING BOARD**

NOTICE OF SITING BOARD MEETING

EFSB 14-04A/D.P.U. 14-153A/14-154A
NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy

The Energy Facilities Siting Board (“Siting Board”) will hold a remote Siting Board meeting using Zoom videoconferencing on **Monday, February 1, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m.** (with a 1-hour break at 5:00 p.m.), and, if necessary, resuming on **Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.** These meetings are a continuation of the Siting Board meeting held on December 16, 2020, and scheduled for December 17, 2020, but postponed due to severe weather. The purpose of the Siting Board meeting is to listen to comments and vote on whether to approve, approve with conditions or amendments, or reject a Tentative Decision issued by the Siting Board on February 28, 2020 that recommends approval of a Project Change that NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource” or “Company”) submitted to the Siting Board on November 15, 2018 in connection with the Mystic-East Eagle-Chelsea Reliability Project (“Project”). The Siting Board previously approved the Project in its December 1, 2017 Final Decision in EFSB 14-04/D.P.U. 14-153/14-154 (“Final Decision”). The Project includes two new 115-kilovolt (“kV”) underground electric transmission lines in Everett, Chelsea, and East Boston, Massachusetts, as well as a new 115/14-kV substation (“Substation”) in East Boston. The end of this Notice describes backup dates and notification procedures, should severe weather require meeting postponement.

As approved in the Final Decision, the Substation would have been located on the eastern side of a larger parcel of land owned by the City of Boston (“City Parcel”) in the Eagle Hill neighborhood of East Boston. The Project Change would relocate the proposed Substation approximately 190 feet, from the east side of the City Parcel (“Original Site” at 338 East Eagle Street) to the northwest corner of the City Parcel, adjacent to Condor Street (“New Substation Site” at 0 Condor Street). The two 115-kV transmission lines would connect to the Substation at the New Substation Site and would no longer be routed under Condor and East Eagle Streets. A map below shows the relative locations of the approved Original Site, the proposed New Substation Site, and the City Parcel.

Public Access and Opportunity for Public Comment

Pursuant to Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§18-25, 980 CMR 2.04(1), Governor Baker’s March 10, 2020 Declaration of Emergency, and the related March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, the Siting Board will conduct a remote Siting Board meeting using Zoom videoconferencing to hear public comments, deliberate, and vote on the Tentative Decision. The Tentative Decision is available at:

<https://fileservice.eea.comacloud.net/FileService.Api/file/FileRoom/11869244>. Additional information, including a transcript of the December 16, 2020 Board meeting, in both

English and Spanish, is available at:

<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/mystic-east-eagle-chelsea-reliability-project>.

Due to the Covid-19 State of Emergency, the Siting Board meeting will be conducted using Zoom videoconferencing. In order to accommodate additional attendees, the Zoom platform will be configured to allow up to 500 attendees. Simultaneous English-to-Spanish and Spanish-to-English interpretation will be provided (see instructions below). Attendees can participate by clicking (or entering) the following link: <https://zoom.us/j/99513786137> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only participation, attendees can dial in at **1 646 558 8656** and enter **Meeting ID 995 1378 6137**. Please note that dial-in participants will only hear live audio of the actual speaker without interpretation.

If you previously signed up to comment and have not commented, you will be invited to comment in the order you signed up. If you have not signed up to comment, and wish to comment at the Board meeting, please send an email to Geneen.Bartley@mass.gov with your full name, email address, and mailing address by **Thursday, January 28, 2021**. If you anticipate commenting by telephone, please leave a voicemail message at 617-305-3529 with your full name, telephone number (the one you will use to dial in) and mailing address by **Thursday, January 28, 2021**. Additional commenters may be allowed during the meeting, at the discretion of the Siting Board Chair. Previously submitted written comments are online at:


<https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber/EFSB14-4A>, where all other materials in the Project Change docket can be accessed.

The Siting Board will record the upcoming Board meeting and make the recording available on YouTube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkIPj6xxSKww-Kr26IEZVTA/videos>.

Public Accommodation and Language Access

Upon request, materials in this proceeding may be available in a format accessible by people with disabilities (such as Braille, large print, electronic files, or audio format). Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need, including as much detail as you can. Contact the Siting Board's ADA coordinator with your request, at Melixza.Esenyie2@mass.gov.

As noted above, interpretation services in English-to-Spanish and Spanish-to-English will be provided via Zoom videoconferencing at <https://zoom.us/j/99513786137>. After joining the meeting on Zoom, ALL attendees should select a preferred language (English or Spanish) to hear the Interpreter translate into that language (as needed). Press the globe icon  and then choose the desired language. If you do not select a language, you will hear the speaker without interpretation. For audio-only participation, attendees can dial in at **1 646 558 8656** and enter **Meeting ID 995 1378 6137**. Please note that dial-in participants will only hear live audio of the actual speaker without interpretation.

Interpretation in additional languages may be available upon request. Include in your request the language(s) requested, and how many persons will require interpretation services. Provide a way to contact you if we need more information. Please provide as much advance notice as possible, no later than **Thursday, January 21, 2021**. Contact the Presiding Officer with your request (see contact information below).

Severe Weather Notification and Alternative Dates

If there is severe weather, any postponement will be announced on the Zoom link <https://zoom.us/j/99513786137> and on the EFSB website <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/mystic-east-eagle-chelsea-reliability-project>.

If there is a snow emergency on **Monday February 1, 2021** that necessitates postponing the meeting, then **BOTH** days of the meeting (February 1 and 2) will held on the following backup dates:

Monday February 8, 2021, 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday February 9, 2021, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

If there is a snow emergency on just **Tuesday February 2, 2021**, then the backup day will be on **February 9, 2021** at **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Any person desiring further information regarding this Notice, may contact the Presiding Officer at the telephone number, or email below:

Joan Foster Evans, Presiding Officer
(617) 305-3525 or Joan.Evans@mass.gov

For technical assistance with Zoom issues, before or during the meeting, call or text (857) 200-0065.

Para obtener ayuda en español, comuníquese con mauricio.diaz@mass.gov o (617) 305-3664 [Spanish]

欧洲食品安全委员会会议的中文通知可在 <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/mystic-east-eagle-chelsea-reliability-project> 的下拉菜单中找到。[Chinese]

Thông báo về Cuộc họp EFSB bằng tiếng Việt có tại <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/mystic-east-eagle-chelsea-reliability-project> bằng menu ngôn ngữ thả xuống [Vietnamese]

Approved Original Substation Site and Proposed New Substation Site in East Boston

