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April 20, 2022

Donna Sharkey, Esq. Energy Facilities Siting Board One South Station Boston, MA 02110

Re: NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy, EFSB 22-01

Dear Ms. Sharkey:

On behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy, enclosed please find for filing in the above referenced proceeding the March 30, 2022 Eversource PowerPoint presentation, marked for identification as Exhibit EV-3.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Catherine Keuthen

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Enclosures cc: Service List

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ENERGY FACILITIES SITING BOARD

Initial Petition and Application of NSTAR Electric)
Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for a Certificate)
of Environmental Impact and Public Interest)
Pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §§ 69K-69O)

EFSB 22-01

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, pursuant to 980 C.M.R. 1.03(4), I have on this day served a true copy of the enclosed documents, electronically, upon all parties of record in EFSB 22-01.

Dated at Boston, Massachusetts this 20th day of April 2022.

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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND PUBLIC INTEREST FOR EAST EAGLE SUBSTATON

March 30, 2022

Electric Service in East Boston Is At Risk



- Substations must be physically located near the customer load.
- East Boston is an electrical island served from a single, shared substation in Chelsea.
- East Boston's population is growing twice as fast as the City's population.

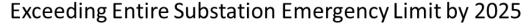
 We are very concerned about assuring the availability of reliable power to this community. This is among the most significant reliability risks existing on the Eversource system.

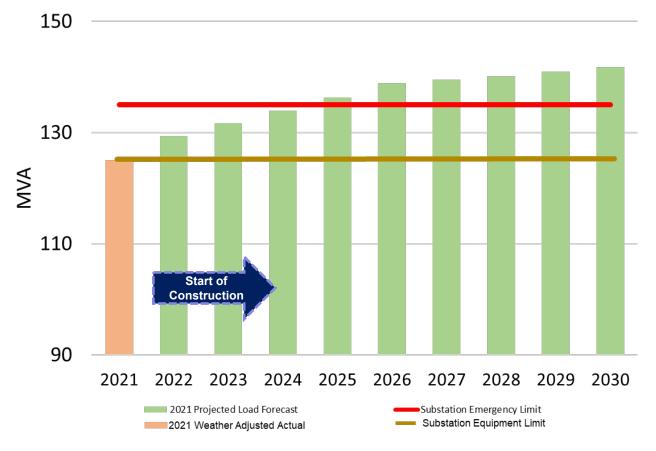
 East Boston and Chelsea could experience a loss of power that could last hours, days, or weeks, depending on the cause of the failure.

Time is of the Essence



- The substation will take 2+ years to construct.
- Actual customer load in 2021 aligned with forecasted increase from prior years.
- Increasing load is expected to exceed substation emergency limit by 2025.
- Start of construction required by 2022

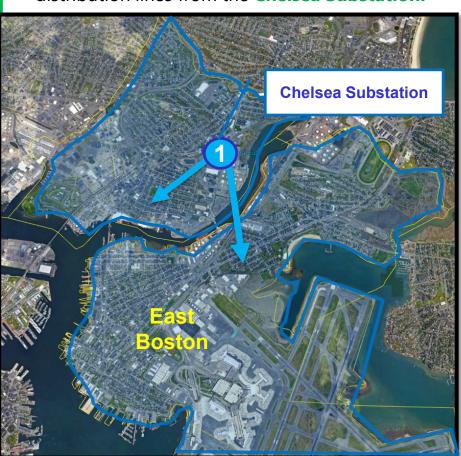




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Existing Heavy Load:

East Boston is *electrically dependent*, with no transmission lines; area served only by distribution lines from the **Chelsea Substation**.



Proposed Shared Load:

After construction, the **East Eagle Substation** will provide capacity and reliability to East Boston customers.



Substations must be physically situated near the customer load. East Boston is the only neighborhood in the City of Boston without a substation and is fully dependent upon an isolated substation in Chelsea.

A Community Vision For Eagle Hill



The new substation is a necessary solution that will provide area residents with reliable and safe power to support electrical demand now and in the future.



- With safety paramount, community input is driving design.
- The substation needs to be constructed near the existing electric load.
- Location allows transmission lines to connect directly to the substation avoiding installation in underground routes through City streets.
- Exterior will be designed based on community input while maintaining safety; deterring trespassing; and integrating with the surrounding area.
 - * This is a preliminary design concept only. The final design will be chosen by the Company in collaboration with the community and the Boston Planning & Development Agency.

Eight Years of Outreach

















Nov 2014

ES meeting with BRA to review routing and solicit feedback

ES meeting with East Boston community to review Project and solicit feedback

Aug 2015

ES meeting with stakeholders to discuss request for 2nd EFSB hearing

Oct 2015

ES meeting with **East Boston** community to review Project and solicit feedback

Mar 2016

ES meeting with City of Boston to review traffic management plans

Mar - Apr 2016

ES meeting with East Boston community 4x to review Project and solicit feedback

Jan 2018

ES meeting w/ Greenroots to discuss the relocation of the Substation







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Feb - Mar 2019

ES meeting with ONS to discuss public comment meeting and solicit feedback

Feb 2019

ES held community info session at EBHS

Dec 2018

ES met with **EHCA** to discuss Notice of Project Change

Dec 2018

ES meeting w/ **EE&OS** to discuss project alignment with Climate **Ready Boston**

Oct 2018

ES meeting w/ Greenroots to discuss the new site, remediation, resiliency, etc.

Sep 2018

ES meeting w/ City of Boston to discuss next steps in the Notice of Project change filing & outreach expectations





Mar 2019

ES meeting w/ BPDA to discuss public comment meeting and solicit feedback

Oct 2019

ES held stakeholder focus group on façade design

Jan 2020

ES held community info session at EBHS after discussion with BPDA

Mar 2020

ES meeting w/ State delegation to discuss public concerns

Apr - Aug 2021

CBA negotiations between ES and **EHCA & Salesian B&G Club**

Oct - Dec 2021

ES convened 2nd Focus Group for new façade design

Electricity is an Essential Service



- Immediate action is needed to protect the interest of electric customers in East Boston and Chelsea.
- Electricity is an essential service. Our obligation is to make sure electric service is available to everyone without the risk of imminent failure.
- Our concern for the community interests are propelling us forward. Large-scale power outages in the hottest summer months will jeopardize the health and welfare of residents and businesses.
- We are requesting a Certificate of Environmental Impact and Public Interest to grant remaining state and local permits required to construct the East Eagle Substation.
 - Certain grants of location are unduly delayed.
 - Necessary construction permits are not progressing.
 - State and local wetlands and waterways permits were granted but remain under appeal.

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