Connecticut Siting Council



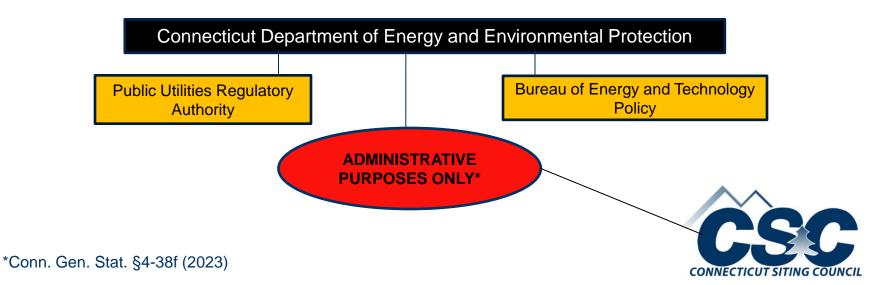






What is the Connecticut Siting Council?

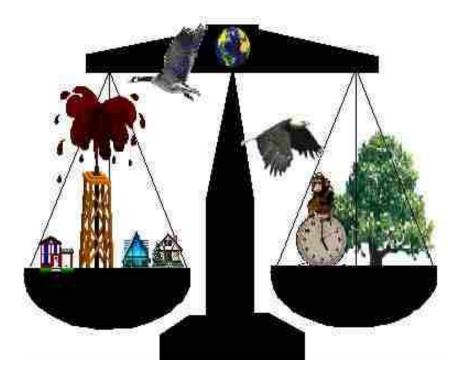
- Established under Public Act 71-575, "Public Utility Environmental Standards Act," to regulate construction, operation and maintenance of energy and telecommunications infrastructure on a statewide basis.
- Exclusive jurisdiction over electric transmission lines, fuel transmission lines, electric generating facilities, substations and telecommunications towers.



Connecticut Siting Council Purpose

To balance the need for:

Adequate and reliable public utility services at the lowest reasonable cost to consumers



Need to protect the environment and ecology of the state



Who are the members?



CSC consists of 9 per diem members:

- 5 public members appointed by Governor (1 is Chair)
- DEEP Commissioner, or designee
- PURA Chairperson, or designee
- Speaker of the House designee
- President Pro Temp of Senate designee





Statutory Authority

- Uniform Administrative Procedure Act, C.G.S. §4-166, et seq.
- Public Utility Environmental Standards Act,
 C.G.S. 16-50g, et seq.
- Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, §16-50j-1, et seq.



Energy Facilities Jurisdiction



Applications for Certificates

- New lines, substations or hybrids at 69-kV and above
- Overhead, underground and submarine cables
- ISO-identified Reliability Projects
- Must find and determine a public need for facility

Petitions for Declaratory Rulings

- Modifications to existing facilities
- ISO-identified Reliability Projects
- Asset Condition List
- Compliance with National Electrical Safety Code standards
- Physical Site Security

Public Need = necessary for the reliability
of the electric power supply of the state

