

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING**  
**PLEASE READ**

NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource” or the “Company”), has filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”), pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 72, requesting approval to construct and operate a new, approximately 3.3 mile 115 kilovolt (“kV”) overhead transmission line on an existing right-of-way (“ROW”) between Shootflying Hill Road and the Barnstable Switching Station, both in the Town of Barnstable, Massachusetts (the “Project”).

The attached legal notice describes the Company’s proposal in greater detail, and also explains the opportunities for public participation in the review process. **Please read the attached notice carefully.** The attached legal notice is also available in Portuguese on the Department’s website at [www.mass.gov/service-details/efsb-siting-calendar](http://www.mass.gov/service-details/efsb-siting-calendar) and on the Company’s website at <https://www.eversource.com/content/wma/residential/my-account/billing-payments/about-your-bill/rates-tariffs/public-hearings-filings>.

The Department is a state agency that will determine whether construction of the proposed transmission line will be approved. The Department will conduct a **public comment hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m. on November 4, 2019, at Knight Hall in Barnstable High School, 744 West Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601** to receive public comment on the Company’s petition. If you require a Portuguese interpreter to assist you at the public comment hearing, please contact the Hearing Officer, at (617) 305-3625, or at [donna.sharkey@mass.gov](mailto:donna.sharkey@mass.gov) by **October 28, 2019**.

At the public comment hearing, the Company will provide information on the proposed Project, and the Department will provide information on its review process and receive comments and questions from members of the community. All comments are important to the Department and anyone with an interest in the Project is encouraged to attend the public comment hearing.

Individuals and groups affected by the Company’s petition who wish to be involved in the Department’s review process may request to participate as either intervenors or limited participants. Such requests must meet the criteria outlined in the attached legal notice. **The deadline to make such a request is 5:00 p.m. on November 18, 2019.** Questions concerning participation will also be answered at the public comment hearing, and also can be answered by the Hearing Officer, whose contact information is below.

A copy of the Company’s petition is available for public inspection at the locations listed on the enclosed notice. If you have any questions about the Department’s review process, please contact the Hearing Officer, Donna Sharkey, Esq., at (617) 305-3625, or at [donna.sharkey@mass.gov](mailto:donna.sharkey@mass.gov). The Department’s address is as follows: Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02110.