From: Ernst ccDistrict8
To: Information, Pura
Subject: Docket No. 26-05-10 = latest unsatisfactory PURA public comment hearing
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Dear PURA,

It is not just about the above-referenced Docket No. 26-05-10 (Eversource, electric rate increase request) but **ALL** public comment hearings directed / organized by your PURA (DEEP Authority):

The "issue / i.e. problem" is this:
While 3 public comment hearings are (generally) scheduled (like for Docket 26-05-01: 11/09 = New Britain, 05:30 pm; 11/16 = New London, 05:30 pm; and 12/09, Virtual-Zoom, 12:00 pm) that is appreciated - what is not appreciated and I consider intransparent and unfair is:

- none of these events, in person, takes place within Fairfield County, e.g. closer to the traffic-heavy areas of Stamford or Greenwich
- the 05:30 pm starting time is -more or less- an impossibility to arrive on time given our local traffic patterns, especially on the highways and parkways
- none of these places and times are "family-friendly" or "senior-friendly"; and in this particular case, Eversource does have a lot of "family (residential) customers

Consequently, I would sincerely appreciate it if at least **ONE MORE** IN-PERSON public hearing event be scheduled, with a starting time **NOT** before 06:30 pm (i.e. after close of business for most of us) and such event be held closer to the Stamford/Greenwich area (because: Does PURA actually know how much of Eversource's sales and profits are generated from commercial, business and residential customers in this economic key area of the State? And, does PURA actually know how much of Eversource's sales and profits are generated from commercial, business and residential customers in all of Fairfield County (and/or New Haven County)?

In addition, pls. also consider this: while Eversource kindly included printed information about their upcoming rate review case in their last customer bill correspondence of 10/06/2026, their information does not say anything about: 1) What kind of investments are they really going to make? (How much of that will be spent on transmission improvements into State of CT areas that have such challenges?); 2) No comparison between Commercial/Industrial vs. Residential rates (i.e. what is PURA really doing

to ensure that -potential- Technology Data Centers pay fair electricity (and water) prices given their very fast-growing (A.I.) needs?).

I would -very sincerely- appreciate both a written acknowledgement of this message including a brief PURA formal response on my questions. (Special final note: during a recent public information meeting, I spoke to one of the Eversource representatives (at their Stamford office) who explained to me: "Eversource has no say in public hearings, i.e. venue, date, time, is all dictated by PURA.")

Respectfully submitted,

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