STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PETITION OF THE UNITED ILLUMINATING COMPANY FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 45 OF PUBLIC ACT NO. 25-173	**:**	**DOCKET NO. 26-11-XX**
	:	**NOVEMBER 13, 2026**

PROTECTIVE ORDER CONCERNING
PROVISION OF CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

WHEREAS, The United Illuminating Company ("UI") is providing information to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority ("PURA") in support of its application for review and approval of a contract, which information would, in the opinion of UI, result in the disclosure of commercially sensitive, confidential, and proprietary information.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered, that the following procedure is adopted for the protection of the information provided by UI ("Confidential Information"):

1. All Confidential Information provided by UI, whether in documentary form or otherwise, shall be identified essentially as follows: "Docket No. 26-11-XX Confidential Information," and will be governed by the terms of this Protective Order ("Order"). The Order is applicable to all such Confidential Information, whether in the form of documents, data, testimony, studies, or otherwise.

2. All Confidential Information made available pursuant to this Order shall be given to Commissioners and staff of PURA, and OCC and its staff upon execution of the Acknowledgement referenced below. Consultants retained by PURA and OCC shall also be provided with the Confidential Information upon their becoming signatories to the Order and executing the Nondisclosure Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 ("Signatories"). Upon a

showing of good cause, PURA may place additional restrictions upon the access to Confidential Information given to certain parties and intervenors.

Commissioners and staff of PURA are bound by the terms of the Order. The OCC (including staff members) shall be bound by the terms of the Order provided that a representative thereof has executed the Acknowledgement found at the close of the Order.

Signatories to this Order agree to be bound by its terms and shall not use the Confidential Information except for purposes of this proceeding. All parties and intervenors, including consultants, in receipt of the Confidential Information under the Order, shall maintain a written log of all individuals granted access to said Confidential Information. All persons granted access to the Confidential Information shall neither use nor disclose the Confidential Information for purposes of business or competition, or for any other purpose, other than for purposes of preparation for and conduct of this proceeding solely as contemplated herein and shall in good faith take all reasonable precautions to keep the Confidential Information secure in accordance with the purposes and intent of the Order.

3. Confidential Information will be marked as such and delivered electronically to Mr. Jeffrey R. Gaudiosi, Executive Secretary of PURA, in an email with a subject line labeled in all capital letters "CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL – NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE."

4. Any Confidential Information made available pursuant to the Order shall be part of the record in the docket cited above, subject to the same relevancy and other evidentiary considerations as non-confidential information, subject to the conditions stated in Paragraphs Five and Six of the Order.

5. If the Confidential Information is used in any manner in any interrogatory, letter, petition, brief or other writing ("Document"), all reference to the Confidential Information in the Document shall be either:

(a) in a separate document, prominently labeled "Proprietary Information," which document shall be safeguarded in accordance with the Order and distributed only to Commissioners and staff of PURA, to the OCC, and to Signatories; or

(b) solely by title or exhibit reference, in a manner reasonably calculated not to disclose the Confidential Information.

6. If the Confidential Information is used in any manner in any proceeding or during the course of a public hearing before PURA or its Commissioners ("Hearing"), the Hearing shall not be held before, nor any record of it made available to, any party, intervenor, or other person or entity not a Signatory, other than the appropriate PURA, and OCC staff. Presence at the Hearing shall be limited to one or more Commissioners and appropriate staff of PURA, representatives of UI, staff of the OCC, and Signatories to this Protective Order. No record shall be disclosed, nor any communication made, of use of the Confidential Information in the Hearing to any person or entity not a Signatory, other than the appropriate PURA, and OCC staff. Any transcript or other recording of the Hearing which relates to the Confidential Information shall be placed in sealed envelopes or containers and a statement essentially in the following form placed prominently on such envelope or container:

"CONFIDENTIAL-PROPRIETARY

This envelope is not to be opened nor the contents to be displayed or revealed except pursuant to the pertinent Protective Order issued in Docket No. 26-11-XX."

7. Nothing herein shall be construed as a final determination that any of the Confidential Information will be admissible as substantive evidence in this proceeding or at any hearing or trial. Moreover, nothing herein shall be considered a waiver of any party's right to assert at a later date that the material is or is not proprietary or privileged. A party seeking to change the terms of the Order shall by motion give every other party five (5) PURA business days prior written notice. No information protected by the Order shall be made public until PURA rules on any such motion to change the terms of the Order. Confidential Information otherwise properly discovered, even though also subject to the terms of the Order, shall not be considered protected by the Order.

8. All copies of such Confidential Information shall be returned to UI no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of all appeal periods applicable to the final decision rendered in this proceeding.

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Dated: _____, 2026 By _____
Utility Commissioner

REVIEWED AND ACKNOWLEDGED:

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that he or she has reviewed this Protective Order, and hereby agrees to abide by the terms thereof, in exchange for receipt of Confidential Information from The United Illuminating Company.

OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL

Dated: _____, 2026 By _____

Exhibit 1

NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT AND
AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY THE
TERMS OF THE PROTECTIVE ORDER

The undersigned hereby acknowledges review of the Protective Order filed, November 13, 2026 in Docket No. 26-11-XX, and hereby agrees to abide by the terms thereof, in exchange for receipt of the Confidential Information from The United Illuminating Company.

Recipient:_____

Date:_____