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February 14, 2014

Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

RE: Notice of Construction Commencement and Contractor Contacts
Docket No. 424: Interstate Reliability Project
Development and Management Plan: New 345-kV Transmission Lines and Related Minor
Modifications to Adjacent Lines

Dear Chairman Stein:

Pursuant to RCSA Section 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA") and as described in Volumes 1, Section 7, of the *Development and Management ("D&M") Plan for the Interstate Reliability Project (Interstate) for the Construction of New 345-kV Transmission Lines and Related Minor Modifications to Adjacent Lines*, The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P") hereby provides written notification to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") that transmission line construction, starting with right-of-way clearing and access road development, on the Interstate Reliability Project is expected to commence during the week of March 3, 2014.

On February 12, 2014, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") issued a Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit for the Project. A copy of this permit will be provided to the Council under separate cover.

The adjacent property owners and chief elected officials of the affected municipalities have been or are being notified prior to the commencement of construction in their towns.

In addition, pursuant to Section 16-50j-61(c)(8) of the RCSA, CL&P hereby provides the contact information for the principal contractors for the Project transmission line construction:

<p>PAR Electrical Contractors, Inc.* (Prime Contractor) 4771 N. Belleview Ave, Suite 300 Kansas City, MO 64116 Stephanie Labbe 860-716-1287 slabbe@parelectric.com</p>	<p>Northern Construction Service, Inc. (Subcontractor) P.O. Box 790 1290 Park St Palmer, MA 01069 Scott Kenyon 413-246-2608 skenyon@northerntree.com</p>	<p>Tri-State Drilling, Inc. (Subcontractor) P.O. Box 252 Hamel, Minnesota, 55340 Bill Herwig 612-369-4893 bherwig@tristatedrilling.com</p>
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*PAR Electrical Contractors Project office is located at 6 Industrial Park Drive, North Windham, CT 06256

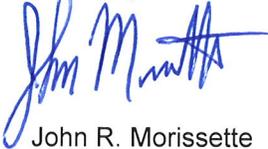


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Enclosed please find an original and 15 copies of this notice.

Should you or other Council members have any questions regarding this notification, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at john.morrisette@nu.com or telephone at (860) 728-4532.

Sincerely,



John R. Morisette
Project Manager – Transmission Siting

cc: Service List

The Honorable Joyce Okonuk, First Selectman, Lebanon Town Hall
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Jonathan Luiz, Town Administrator, Columbia Town Hall
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