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Petition No. 89 Field Review

Newtown, Ct.

January 20, 1984

Chairperson Gloria Dibble Pond, Owen Clark, and Robert Erling of the Siting Council met Jerry Thompson, Larry Shand, and John Harrington of Northeast Utilities (NU) for a field review of Petition No. 89. This project consists of modifications to the 115 kV Plumtree substation to Newtown substation line in the towns of Bethel and Newtown. The project, now completed, involved replacing two wood pole H-frame structures with taller poles, and adding three others. Two structures were converted from suspension to strain configuration, and three structures had crossarms raised. Some brush clearing and minor access road improvement was necessary to accomplish this work.

Review team members gave particular attention to the Head of Meadow Road section in Newtown, where a nearby property owner had complained about the visibility of a new structure from the driveway. The company has planted trees in the vicinity to screen this structure, and it is not visible from the property owner's home in any case.

The remainder of the project appeared to have been completed in good order with minimal environmental disturbance. Work was conducted as proposed in the petition and final approval is recommended.

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