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PETITION NO. 96

FIELD REVIEW

Southington, Connecticut

September 9, 1983

Owen Clark, Fred Doocy, and Robert Erling of the Connecticut Siting Council met Jerry Thompson and G. F. Thazhampallath of Northeast Utilities (NU) for a field review of Petition No. 96. NU is petitioning the Council for a ruling that no certificate of environmental compatibility and public need is required for the proposed modifications of three 115 kV lines in Southington.

The proposed project consists of modifying three lines to accommodate the new state highway I-691, which is already under construction in this area. Specifically, the project would involve installing one 101' double circuit steel pole and two single circuit 85' wood pole H-frame structures, which would replace one 78' double circuit lattice tower and two single circuit 60' wood pole H-frame structures, respectively. Also, NU proposes converting four lattice towers from suspension to strain configuration. This conversion would raise the lines an additional five feet above the new highway. There would also be some minor brush clearing, access road improvement and right-of-way rehabilitation as needed.

No new access roads would be required and no wetlands would be affected by this project. The activity would take place in an area that is already heavily disturbed by the road construction project.

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