



The Honorable Daniel F. Caruso Chairman **Connecticut Siting Council** 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

**RE:** Docket No. 370 Regarding CL&P's CT Valley Electric Transmission Reliability Project Application

Dear Chairman Caruso:

On October 20, 2008, Connecticut Light & Power Company (CL&P) submitted an application with the Connecticut Siting Council (CSC) seeking approval to construct the Connecticut Valley Electric Transmission Reliability Projects which consist of (1) The Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby, and Suffield, or potentially including an alternate portion that traverses the municipalities of Suffield and Enfield, terminating at the North Bloomfield Substation; and (2) the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut. Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 16a-7c(b), the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking alternatives to the proposed projects on November 4, 2008. Three proposals were received in response to the RFP.

The CEAB is required to submit an evaluation to the CSC relative to the proposed project and any proposals for alternatives, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 16a-7c(f), for conformance with the relevant infrastructure criteria guidelines (the Preferential Criteria) created pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 16a-7b.

Accordingly, the CEAB submits herewith for the CSC's consideration the CEAB's evaluation of the proposal that initiated the RFP and the responses received by CEAB. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Cassella

Chairman

Connecticut Energy Advisory Board

Attachment cc: Service List