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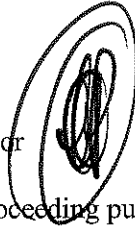
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April 28, 2009

TO: Council Members
FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director



RE: **DOCKET 370** – Consolidated proceeding pursuant to the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) Request for Proposal (RFP) process under C.G.S. §16a-7c. **Original application:** The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for 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. **Competing application:** NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing.

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Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail)
Robert L. Marconi, Assistant Attorney General
Parties and Intervenors
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct the following public hearing sessions and thereafter as necessary on the Consolidated proceeding including the Original application by The Connecticut Light & Power Company for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for 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; and a Competing application by NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50l(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut. Granby, Simsbury, Somers and South Windsor are within 2,500 feet of the proposed CL&P transmission line. Berlin is within 2,500 feet of the NRG power generating facility in Meriden. The scheduled public comment hearing dates and locations are as follows:

Tuesday, June 9, 2009

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The East Granby Community Center, 20 Center Street, East Granby
(proposed transmission line route)

Thursday, June 11, 2009

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Suffield High School Auditorium, 1060 Sheldon Street, Suffield
(Southern Route Alternative)

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Lincoln Center Hearing Room, 494 Main Street, Manchester
(Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction)

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Lincoln Middle School Auditorium, 164 Centennial Avenue, Meriden
(Meriden Power Project)

The Council will conduct public field reviews of the proposed routes/facilities prior to each hearing beginning at 3:00 p.m.



The purpose of the evening hearing sessions is for the public to make brief statements into the record.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1 through 16-50v-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Friday, June 12, 2009 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Council's office, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council requests that all testimony and exhibits are to be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors two weeks before the commencement of evidentiary hearing sessions. The dates of which will be announced during the public comment sessions. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators.

Individuals will be encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, two weeks prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing sessions.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the final evidentiary hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council at the hearings or any time up to 30 days after the close of the hearing sessions. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

For the convenience of the public a verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the Town/City Hall of the 11 municipalities: Bloomfield, East Granby, Suffield, Enfield, Manchester, Meriden, Granby, Simsbury, Somers, South Windsor and Berlin.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by July 7, 2009.

The applicant and competing applicant for the proceeding is represented by the following:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company
(Applicant)

Anthony M. Fitzgerald, Esq.
Brian T. Henebry, Esq.
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NRG Energy, Inc. (Competing Applicant)

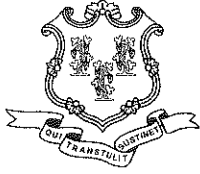
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A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's website www.ct.gov/csc or at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935. The Council has assigned this application docket no. 370.

For the convenience of the public, copies of the application are available in the town/city clerk's offices in each of the 11 municipalities.

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NOTICE OF SERVICE

I hereby affirm that a photocopy of this document was sent to each Party and Intervenor on the service list dated April 8, 2009.

Dated: April 28, 2009

Lisa Fontaine
Custodian of Docket No. 370



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Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50j(h), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments and consultation. Your response by or before July 9, 2009 will be appreciated.

A copy of the application with location maps has previously been provided to you, pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50l.

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c: Parties & Intervenor
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