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June 6, 2012

Robert E. Carberry, Project Manager NEEWS Siting and Permitting Northeast Utilities Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

RE: **DOCKET 370A-MR** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut. **Request to temporarily change hours of construction.**

Dear Mr. Carberry:

In response to your email of June 6, 2012, requesting approval to work for 12 hours per day on June 6, 2012 through June 10, 2012, please be advised that by this writing Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff hereby approves the proposed temporary extension of work hours in the work area from structure 3701 near Manchester Substation to structure 3708 near West Middle Turnpike in Manchester. CL&P has asserted that this work is necessary to restore 1448 circuit by Sunday, June 10, 2012. This approval is contingent upon a response of no objection from the Town of Manchester.

Any changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval. Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Linda Roberts

Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors





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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 January 13, 2012, with method of service to each party and intervenor listed via e-mail and U.S. mail on May 30, 2012.

Dated: June 6, 2012

Lisa Fontaine Custodian of Docket No. 370



Fontaine, Lisa

Subject:

RE: Docket 370A-MR, D&M Plan Change Request

Christina:

CL&P hereby requests Council approval of an expedited D&M Plan Change, or an acknowledgement that prior approval is not needed pursuant to Appendix F of the D&M Plan, for the following matter.

Section 6.0 of the D&M Plan includes the following statement:

"Construction activities are expected to occur six days a week for 10 hours a day, between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.. During some construction activities, work outside this window may be necessary."

Currently, CL&P line crews are installing new 345-kV line conductors and shield wires, and poor weather recently delayed their progress. Because the new line conductors and shield wires cross over a span of the 115-kV Manchester to Rood Avenue 1448 circuit near Manchester Substation, the 1448 circuit was taken out of service for this work. The 1448 circuit must be returned to service on Sunday, June 10, 2012, so the 345-kV line conductor work must be completed by that date.

To ensure that CL&P can complete the necessary 345-kV line work by Sunday, June 10, 2012, CL&P's crews need to work additional hours on each of the remaining days of this current week and work hours on Sunday, June 10, 2012. CL&P's work during these extra hours will include conductor attachments to insulator strings (i.e. "clip-in" work), spacer installations along the three bundled-conductor phases, and shield wire connections to line structures. The crews will employ aerial lift vehicles and cranes for this work.

CL&P therefore seeks expedited Council approval (or an acknowledgment of no need for prior approval) for extended work hours today, tomorrow and Saturday, and to finish on Sunday, June 10, 2012 if needed. These work days might therefore be as long as 12 hours within the authorized time window, until dark. The work area is from structure 3701 near Manchester Substation to structure 3708 near West Middle Turnpike in Manchester. No residences are close to this work area.

A CL&P representative is contacting a town official today to ask if the town has any objections to this request. If the Council wishes to make its approval of this request contingent on a written response of no objection from the town, that will be acceptable to CL&P.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact me at 860-665-6774.

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