

#### CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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February 27, 2012

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the

Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon,

Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the

Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching

Station, and Killingly Substation.

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

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c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail service)
Melanie A. Bachman, Staff Attorney
Parties and Intervenors
Application Service Recipients
Ginger Teubner, PURA (via e-mail service)





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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 application by The Connecticut Light & Power Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation. The scheduled public comment hearing dates and locations are as follows:

Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon 06249

Thursday, April 19, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn, CT 06234

Tuesday, April 24, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Mansfield Middle School Auditorium
205 Spring Hill Road, Storrs, CT 06268

The Council will conduct a public field review (bus tour) driving roads near and/or crossing portions of the proposed route prior to each public comment hearing beginning at 2:00 p.m. The bus tour on April 18, 2012 will begin at 23 Goshen Hill Road in Lebanon and continue to the Card Street Substation on Card Street in Lebanon, then traverse roadways near the proposed route, navigating through the towns of Lebanon, Columbia, Hampton, and the western portion of Brooklyn. The bus tour scheduled for April 19, 2012 will begin at 69 South Main Street in Brooklyn, and continue to the proposed route, navigating through the towns of Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, and Thompson. The final bus tour scheduled for April 24, 2012 will begin at 205 Spring Hill Road in Mansfield and continue to the proposed route, traversing nearby roadways, navigating through the towns of Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, and Hampton.



Please contact Lisa Fontaine of the Council staff at 860-827-2969 if you would like to attend any or all of these bus tours.

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-la of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Wednesday, March 21, 2012 beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Council's office, Hearing Room Two, 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. Evidentiary hearing sessions have been scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 1, 2012; and continue on Thursday, May 3, 2012; Tuesday, May 22, 2012; and Wednesday, May 23, 2012, and thereafter as necessary, at the Central Connecticut State University, Institute of Technology and Business Development, Room 3130000, 185 Main Street, New Britain, Connecticut. Directions and parking information can be found at <a href="http://web.ccsu.edu/itbd/directions/default.htm">http://web.ccsu.edu/itbd/directions/default.htm</a>. 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 evidentiary 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 sessions will be made and deposited with the Town Halls of the 12 municipalities: Brooklyn, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Hampton, Killingly, Lebanon, Mansfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by April 3, 2012. The applicant for the proceeding is represented by the following:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company (Applicant)

Anthony M. Fitzgerald, Esq. Carmody & Torrance LLP P.O. Box 1950 New Haven, CT 06509

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's website <a href="www.ct.gov/csc">www.ct.gov/csc</a> or at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935, or on Council website at <a href="http://www.ct.gov/csc">http://www.ct.gov/csc</a> under the link "Pending Proceedings." The Council has assigned this application docket no. 424.

For the convenience of the public, copies of the application are available in the town clerk's offices in each of the 12 municipalities.

February 27, 2012

Connecticut Siting Council

Date: February 22, 2012

# LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS $\underline{\text{SERVICE LIST}}$

Status Granted	Document Service	Status Holder (name, address & phone number)	Representative (name, address & phone number)
Applicant	⊠ U.S. Mail	The Connecticut Light & Power Co. P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270	Robert E. Carberry, Project Manager NEEWS Siting and Permitting Northeast Utilities Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270
	⊠ U.S. Mail		(860) 665-6774 (860) 665-6717 fax carbere@nu.com
	Z 0.5. Man		Jane P. Seidl, Senior Counsel Northeast Utilities Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270
			(860) 665-5051 (860) 665-5504 fax seidljp@nu.com
	☑ U.S. Mail		Anthony M. Fitzgerald, Esq. Carmody & Torrance LLP 195 Church Street P.O. Box 1950
			New Haven, CT 06509-1950 (203) 777-5501 (203) 784-3199 fax afitzgerald@carmodylaw.com
Party (granted 02/16/12)	⊠ E- Mail	NRG Energy, Inc., NRG Power Marketing, Inc., Connecticut Jet Power LLC, Devon Power LLC, Middletown Power LLC, Montville	Andrew W. Lord, Esq. Murtha CUllina LLP CityPlace I, 29 <sup>th</sup> Floor 185 Asylum Street
		Power LLC, Norwalk Power LLC, and Meriden Gas Turbines, LLC (collective, NRG)	Hartford, CT 06103-3469 (860) 240-6000 alord@murthalaw.com
	⊠ U.S. Mail		Elizabeth Quirk-Hendry General Counsel, Northeast Region NRG Energy, Inc. 211 Carnegie Center Princeton, NJ 08540-6213
	⊠ U.S. Mail		Judith E. Lagano NRG Energy, Inc. Manresa Island Avenue South Norwalk, CT 06854

Date: February 22, 2012

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Status Granted	Document Service	Status Holder (name, address & phone number)	Representative (name, address & phone number)
	⊠ U.S. Mail	NRG continued	Raymond G. Long NRG Energy, Inc. P.O. Box 1001 1866 River Road Middletown, CT 06457
Party (granted 02/16/12)	⊠ U.S. Mail	Victor Civie 160 Beech Mt. Road Mansfield, CT 06250 (860) 456-2022	
Party (if granted 03/01/12)	⊠ U.S. Mail	EquiPower Resources Corp., Lake Road Generating Company LP, and Milford Power Company LLP (collectively, EquiPower)	Robert McKay Senior Vice President & General Counsel EquiPower Resources Corp. 100 Constitution Plaza, 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor Hartford, CT 06103 (860) 656-0814 rmckay@eqpwr.com



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Ruth Girolomo Post Reporting Service, Inc. 2015 Dixwell Avenue Hamden, CT 06514

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Ms. Girolomo:

Your attendance will be required at hearings of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) regarding the subject docket on:

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Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon 06249

Thursday, April 19, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn, CT 06234

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Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
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Central Connecticut State University, Institute of Technology and Business Development, 185 Main Street, New Britain, CT 06051

The Council will require delivery of the complete transcript, an original and one copy, within one week of the hearing. The application filing has been previously provided. I am enclosing a copy of our hearing notice for your convenience. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me.

Very truly yours,

∉isa A. Fontaine

Fiscal Administrative Officer

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Joseph Reese Tech Theatrical Services, LLC P.O. Box 405

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Watertown, CT 06795-0405

RE: **DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Mr. Reese:

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Main Street, New Britain, CT 06051

I am enclosing a copy of our hearing notice for your convenience. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me.

Very truly yours,

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TO:

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The Hartford Courant

285 Broad St.

Hartford, CT 06115

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Willimantic Chronicle
1 Chronicle Road

Willimantic, CT 06226

Classified/Legal Supervisor

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The Norwich Bulletin 66 Franklin Street Norwich, CT 06360

FROM:

Lisa A. Fontaine, Fiscal Administrative Officer

RE:

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Station, and Killingly Substation.

Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice, except on Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than <u>TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE</u>. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to:

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TO: Commissioner Daniel Esty

Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection

Commissioner Steven Reviczky Department of Agriculture

Commissioner Jewel Mullen Department of Public Health Karl Wagener, Executive Director Council on Environmental Quality

Chairman Kevin M. DelGobbo Public Utilities Regulatory Authority Benjamin Barnes, Secretary
Office of Policy and Management

Commissioner Catherine Smith Department of Economic and Community Development Thomas A. Harley, P.E., Chief Engineer Bureau of Engineering and Construction Department of Transportation

Commissioner Peter J. Boynton Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director

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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 April 17, 2012 will be appreciated.

A copy of the application with location maps has previously been provided to you, pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50*l*. You may access the application and other documents from this proceeding on our website at <a href="https://www.ct.gov/csc">www.ct.gov/csc</a> under the link "Pending Proceedings."

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c: Parties & Intervenors Council Members





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Tammy Harris, Director Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center 69 South Main Street Brooklyn, CT 06234

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Ms. Harris:

Confirming our telephone conversation of February 2, 2012, I appreciate the reservation of the Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center for a public hearing on Thursday, April 19, 2012, from 2:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (public hearing start time 7:00 p.m.).

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

If any other information is needed, please contact me at my office. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Lisa A. Fontaine

Fiscal Administrative Officer

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Patty Handy First Selectman's Office Lebanon Town Hall 579 Exeter Road Lebanon, CT 06249

RE: **DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Ms. Handy:

Confirming our telephone conversation of February 2, 2012, I appreciate the reservation of the Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon for a public hearing on April 18, 2012, from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (public hearing start time 7:00 p.m.).

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

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Linda Painter, Mayor Planning Director Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building 4 South Eagleville Road Storrs-Mansfield, CT 06268

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Ms. Painter:

Confirming our telephone conversation of February 15, 2012, I appreciate the reservation of the Mansfield Middle School Auditorium, 205 Spring Hill Road, Storrs, for a public hearing on Tuesday, April 24, 2012. The public hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. Council staff, audio technician, and court reporter will arrive earlier in the day to set up paperwork and necessary equipment.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

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The Honorable Austin Tanner First Selectman Brooklyn Town Hall 4 Wolf Den Road Brooklyn, CT 06234

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RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

#### Dear First Selectman Tanner:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled multiple public hearings in various towns in connection with the above-referenced proceeding. I am writing to invite you to participate.

Please be advised that the Council's processes enable the affected municipal governments to engage in meaningful discourse and, if they choose, to even assert a legal role in the proceedings of applications that come before the Council. Municipalities are afforded a right of pre-filed technical information and consultation with applicants 60 days before an application is filed with the Council. During this period the municipality may conduct public hearings and meetings, as it deems necessary. Both the municipal and applicant filings become part of the Council's record.

Once an application is filed with the Council at least one public hearing is held in the affected community as well as a public inspection of the proposed sites and routes. Your participation at such hearing may take many forms. Municipal officials may make opening statements to the Council, present written documents, or may seek Party or Intervenor Status and put on a case with witnesses.

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Sincerely,

Robert Stein UR

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The Honorable William Rose, First Selectman Chaplin Town Hall 495 Phoenixville Road Chaplin, CT 06235

RE: **DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

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Sincerely,

Robert Stein Robert Stein

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The Honorable Carmen L. Vance, First Selectman Columbia Town Hall 323 Route 87 Columbia, CT 06237

RE:

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February 27, 2012

The Honorable Elizabeth Woolf, Council Chair Coventry Town Hall 1712 Main Street Coventry, CT 06238

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The Honorable Allan Cahill, First Selectman Hampton Town Hall 164 Main Street Hampton, CT 06247

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The Honorable Dennis Alemian, Council Chair Killingly Town Hall 172 Main Street Danielson, CT 06239

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The Honorable Joyce Okonuk, First Selectman Lebanon Town Hall 579 Exeter Road Lebanon, CT 06249

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching

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February 74, 2012

The Honorable Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building 4 South Eagleville Road Storrs-Mansfield, CT 06268

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

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The Honorable James Rivers, First Selectman Pomfret Town Hall 5 Haven Road Pomfret Center, CT 06259

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The Honorable Richard Place Putnam Town Hall 126 Church Street Putnam, CT 06260

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The Honorable Ernest Eldridge, Mayor Windham Town Hall 979 Main Street Willimantic, CT 06226

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The Honorable Lawrence Groh, Jr. First Selectman
Thompson Town Hall
815 Riverside Drive
North Grosvenordale, CT 06255

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