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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 Attorney McDermott:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than August 13, 2012. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office including an electronic filing in .pdf format. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting 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. A list of parties and intervenors dated July 27, 2012, is enclosed. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly.

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

Enclosure

John J. Prete, The United Illuminating Company

Parties and Intervenors



Docket No. 424 Connecticut Siting Council Pre-hearing Interrogatories

- 1. Does The United Illuminating Company (UI) intend to purchase a portion of CL&P's assets created in the Connecticut Portion of the Interstate Reliability Project, if approved?
- 2. If there is an intention to purchase a portion of the proposed project, please explain the rationale for determining the location of ownership of specific portions of the project.
- 3. Please explain the genesis for UI to purchase certain transmission assets attributed to the New England East-West Solutions transmission grid.
- 4. Does UI own transmission assets outside of its service territory? If so, please identify.
- 5. How does ownership outside of UI's service territory affect franchise/service territory rights?
- 6. How does the proposed Interstate Reliability Project fit into transmission planning for UI's system? Specifically, would the proposed strengthening of Rhode Island's electric transmission system affect a long-term plan UI announced previously to build an underwater transmission line along the Northeast coast bringing New England off-shore wind resources into Connecticut?



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I hereby affirm that a photocopy of this document was sent to each Party and Intervenor on the service list dated July 26, 2012, with method of service to each party and intervenor listed via e-mail and U.S. mail on July 30, 2012.

Dated: July 30, 2012

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