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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 Fitzgerald:

At a public meeting held on February 16, 2012, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) approved Connecticut Light and Power Company's (CL&P) Motion for Protective Order, dated February 9, 2012, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 1-210(b)(19), which exempts from public disclosure information that may result in a safety risk to a facility owned by a public service company.

The protective order applies to the documents contained in the "Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) Appendix" to the above-referenced application that was filed with the Council on February 9, 2012, and shall apply to any other such CEII documents that may be filed during the evidentiary proceedings on this docket.

Please feel free to call Melanie Bachman, Staff Attorney if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Robert Stein *RS*
Chairman

RS/CMW/laf

c: Parties and Intervenors

