

written argument because UI has substantial interests that may be affected by the proceedings. The proposed transmission projects and associated projects that are the subject of these proceedings involve the Connecticut portion of a larger project known as the New England East-West Solution (“NEEWS”), a transmission-based solution to electric system reliability needs in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Therefore, the Council’s decisions in these proceedings will impact the reliability of the electric system in Connecticut and in UI’s service territory. Therefore, UI has significant interests at stake in these proceedings.

4. Additionally, under the terms of an agreement between UI and The Connecticut Light and Power Company (“CL&P”), UI has the option to invest in and own transmission assets associated with the Connecticut portion of NEEWS projects being developed by CL&P, including the Interstate Reliability Project. As assets come into commercial operation, CL&P will transfer title to transmission assets such as poles and wires to UI in proportion to its investments. CL&P will maintain these portions of the transmission system once they are in operation pursuant to an operating and maintenance agreement with UI.
5. UI’s participation in this proceeding is in the public interest, and good cause exists to grant this motion. UI’s participation will promote the interests of justice and will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceeding.

6. Correspondence and other communications in regard to this matter should be served upon the following persons:

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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that on this 6th day of March, 2012 one (1) copy of the foregoing was sent via electronic mail and an original and twenty (20) copies of the foregoing was hand-delivered to The Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051 and one (1) copy was sent via electronic mail or mailed, postage prepaid, on this 6th day of March, 2012 to all other known parties and intervenors.

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