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July 24, 2012

Linda Roberts  
Executive Director  
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***Re: Docket No. 424***  
***The Connecticut Light & Power Company's Application for a***  
***Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for***  
***the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project***

Dear Ms. Roberts,

In accordance with the Council's CEII Protective Order entered in this docket on February 16, 2012, and with the Council's procedures for filing Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) under protective order, I enclose herewith two printed copies and a CD of a draft report by the Independent System Operator – New England (ISO-NE) entitled: *Follow-Up Analysis to the 2012 New England East-West Solution (NEEWS) Interstate Reliability Project Component Updated Solution Study Report* (July 2012). As required by the Council's procedures, the document is filed in a sealed envelope labeled "CONFIDENTIAL – PROPRIETARY INFORMATION;" and each page of the document is labeled "Critical Energy Infrastructure Information – Do Not Release." ISO-NE posted this draft for comment yesterday on its Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) website, and called for comments to be submitted by August 22, 2012.

ISO-NE has not issued a redacted version of the enclosed draft report, and generally does not issue redacted versions of draft reports, but rather waits until the final report is released to do a redaction. Accordingly, CL&P is encouraging all parties and intervenors who would like to review the draft and who have not already subscribed to the Council's protective order to do so and to return the executed copy to me. The final report should be issued shortly after the expiration of the comment period on August 22, 2012.

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ISO-NE presented the results of the enclosed draft report (in addition to those of the draft Follow-up Needs Assessment) to the PAC on July 18, 2012. A copy of that summary presentation, which does not contain CEII, was attached to CL&P's Supplemental Need Testimony, which was filed with the Council and served on all parties and intervenors, on July 17, 2012.

Very truly yours,

  
Anthony M. Fitzgerald

Enclosures

cc: CSC Service List dated July 17, 2012

NOTICE OF SERVICE

I hereby affirm that a copy of this letter was sent to each Party and Intervenor on the service list dated July 17, 2012, with method of service to each party and intervenor listed via e-mail and U.S. mail, on July 24, 2012.

Dated: July 24, 2012

  
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