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April 20, 2012

TO: Parties and Intervenors

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.

At the public hearing session on April 19, 2012 in Brooklyn, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received correspondence concerning the above-referenced application from the Town of Brooklyn First Selectman, the Town of Killingly Planning and Development Office, the Town of Killingly Economic Development Commission, and the Town of Putnam Economic and Community Development.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50(b), a copy of the application was submitted to these entities for their review. In the event that the Towns of Killingly, Brooklyn, or Thompson do not avail themselves of the opportunity to attain party or intervenor status under Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n, their correspondence shall become part of the record in this proceeding.

Therefore, a copy of their correspondence is being distributed to all participants in this proceeding and will also be administratively noticed in the record.

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Enclosures (4)

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The interstate reliability project will improve electric reliability for all of Connecticut.

Connecticut is least able of all New England states to import power to supplement its internal supply. Only 33% of our peak demand is able to be imported. About 7.2 miles of the proposed project pass through Brooklyn. It makes sense to use the existing rights-of-way both environmentally and construction wise to complete this project.

No new land or easements will be necessary in the proposed route through Brooklyn. No one likes to see more structures in our landscape, but we must make compromises to assure the future availability of electric service. I feel this project is necessary to benefit all residents of Southern New England with uninterrupted electric service. Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island use 80% of the total New England ~~land~~^{power} and it is essential that we have transmission ability to move power when needed. The proposed configuration seems to be the best solution over other alternatives. The flexibility^{of} this project provides us to transfer power where needed and is essential to our future needs.

As First Selectman of Brooklyn, I fully support the projects proposed route.

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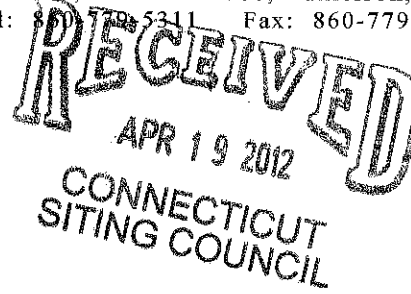


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Re: Docket 424 - CL&P Interstate Reliability Project

Dear Chairman Stein and Councilors:

Thank you for the application information regarding the "Connecticut Portion of the Interstate Reliability Project by Connecticut Light and Power" and this opportunity to provide comment.

The Killingly Planning and Zoning Commission discussed the proposal at its January 17, 2012 regular monthly meeting and voted to bring the following comments to the Council's attention for consideration:

1. Request for Consideration and use of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for addressing EMF (electric and magnetic fields) in the vicinity of Killingly residences as appropriate
2. Request for consideration for priority funding for residential areas as it relates to the use of BMPs for addressing EMF above, and
3. Incorporation of the Town staff's comments regarding the Development and Management (D&M) Plan (Section ES.4, Volume 1):
 - A copy of the D&M Plan to be provided to the Killingly Planning Department once it is completed
 - Inclusion of the requirement for a pre-construction meeting to be held with Town staff prior to the commencement of work in the Killingly project portion
 - Incorporation of the request that construction staging areas outside of the right of way be identified in the Plan after consultation with Town staff and be located in Commercial or Industrially zoned areas only
 - Incorporation of the request in the Plan that all contractors and sub-contractors are to be made aware of the need for local land use permits for any residence that should request any excess project fill.
 - Temporary versus permanent construction access roads are preferred, with restoration of temporary roads upon project completion
 - Notification to the Killingly Planning Department when work is scheduled near vernal pools, wetlands and state protected species habitat

The Planning and Zoning Commission recognizes the amount of work associated with the preparation of the pending application and appreciates the confinement of the majority of the upgrades to the existing right of ways and station yards. Staff and the Commission respectfully request the Council's consideration of the comments contained herein.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 860-779-5311, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Voice mail is available after normal business hours.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda E. Walden". The signature is fluid and includes a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Linda E. Walden
Director of Planning & Development

Interstate Reliability Project

Written Testimony provided to the

Connecticut Siting Council

Thursday, April 19, 2012

Good evening, my name is Elsie Bisset. I am the Economic Development Coordinator for the Town of Killingly. I am an active member and past president of CEDAS, the CT Economic Development Association. I represent Killingly, the most populated of the towns along the Interstate 395 corridor in the northeastern part of the State, which make up the Eastern CT Enterprise Corridor, comprised of eight (8) towns.

At Exit 94 of Interstate 395 the Killingly Industrial Park is located. With more than two million square feet of active manufacturing and distribution space and more than 3000 jobs, the supply of reliable electricity is important to the existing companies to operate efficiently. An expansion area of 60 acres adjoining the park is available for new investment, located in close proximity to the Lake Road Generating Plant. This 492 megawatt natural gas fired power plant supplies power to the grid and is then distributed where needed. Distribution of power is important after it is produced and thus the need for an increase in capacity of the transmission lines. I support the using the existing overhead lines and right of ways for the proposed project as it will reduce costs and disruption to existing businesses in the Town of Killingly. The overhead lines bisect the Industrial Park expansion land as well as other properties in the western section of Killingly. The proposed construction of new transmission lines in addition to the existing lines will create reliability and better distribution of power throughout our New England region thereby enhancing business viability in our area.

CL&P has been very responsive to business requests for service, whether it is an expansion or new construction, and is eager to offer customer service solutions to concerns of the Town of Killingly and the businesses located here. As this interstate reliability project gets underway it is expected that our communications will continue and our joint efforts to grow the economy in Connecticut will remain strong.

On behalf on the Town of Killingly's Economic Development Commission, I offer support for the Interstate Reliability Project.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony, please contact me anytime. I can be reached at 860.779.5342 or by email: elsie.bisset@killingly.com

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As Economic and Community Development Director for the Town of Putnam, I am pleased to provide testimony in support of the Interstate Reliability Project.

The Putnam Business District is primarily located along the Interstate 395 Corridor having the amenities of public water and sewer services as well as natural gas lines within the Special Services District and our Putnam Industrial Park. We possess important advantages of Interstate access, zone incentives, a freight line and competitive land pricing. Putnam boasts of a renaissance within its heritage of older structural sound mills of bringing mixed use and housing development into more than 750,000 sq. ft. of architectural treasures.

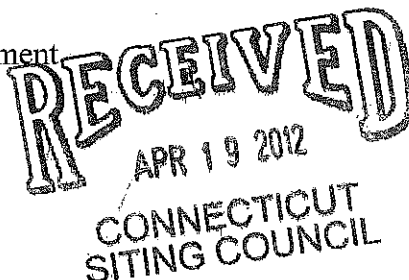
Our community faces the challenges of these difficult economic times, but sees a bright future in economic development. Our Industrial Park has sustained all businesses within its bounds and many are expanding by creating jobs in a slow, steady thoughtful way. We are extremely proud of our manufacturing businesses focusing on the medical plastics, metals and aerospace industries.

A Marketing and Feasibility Study has recently been completed showing positive outcomes for our newly proposed Regional Quinebaug Technology Park. The target industries including Manufacturing, Mid-range Tech, Green Energy, Consumer Products and Sustainable Agriculture were screened for having a North Eastern United States factor. All companies had at least a 50% growth rate, an annual income of \$3 million, a link to existing clusters in the region and a strong stake in the North Eastern United States. A major factor in the success of future growth, sustainability and expansion will rely in part on a long-term, reliable, and affordable electric power supply.

Connecticut Light and Power has provided an arduous solution for the future of our energy needs through its proposed use of existing rights-of-way and overhead lines as an effective, efficient means to the continuing high demand of power distribution. CL&P continues to be a strong partner by providing human resources, technical advice and professional development to Putnam's business community.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide encouraging support of the Interstate Reliability Project.

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