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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

October 31, 2012

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 431** – South Norwalk Electric and Water application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of an electrical substation and its connection to an existing 115 kV transmission line, located at 180 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Norwalk, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Lord:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than November 14, 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, as well as, sending a copy via electronic mail. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies 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 can be found on the Council's pending proceedings website. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Roberts" with a stylized monogram "LRB" to the right.

Linda Roberts  
Executive Director

LR/MP

c: Parties and Intervenors

**Docket No. 431**  
**Pre-Hearing Questions**  
**Set One**

1. Of the letters sent to abutting property owners, how many certified mail receipts were received? If any receipts were not returned, which owners did not receive their notice? Were any additional attempts made to contact those property owners?
2. Describe the land uses abutting this site.
3. What is the existing building located at 190 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive currently used for?
4. How many residences are located within 1,000 feet of the center of the proposed substation?
5. What is the address and direction (from the center of the substation) of the closest residence?
6. How far away is the nearest state-designated scenic road?
7. On page 65 of the Application, it states that "The site is not within a 100-year flood hazard zone..." Is the site located within a 500-year flood zone or a moderate flood hazard area between the limits of the 100-year and 500-year flood zone? How far away is the proposed substation from the nearest 100-year flood zone? What design and/or construction measures would be taken to protect the substation during severe weather that includes potential flooding?
8. Identify the safety standards and/or codes by which equipment, machinery, or technology would be used or operated at the proposed facility.
9. Will an emergency generator be needed for backup power for control equipment? If yes, provide the specifications of the emergency generator and fuel type.
10. Calculate the amounts of cut and fill required to develop the proposed substation and access drives.
11. How many distribution feeders would leave the substation? Identify the approximate path and direction the feeders would follow as they exit the substation.
12. Would mechanical methods of rock removal be used in lieu of blasting if feasible?