June 10, 2004

TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between the Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and the Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests all parties and intevenors to brief the issue of notification requirements to municipalities, consistent with Connecticut General Statute Section 16-50l (b), relative to a prospective route raised in the proceeding. The prospective East Shore Route, also known as the 345-kV Circuit 387 Line, is not part of the application but is proximate to the proposed route in Wallingford and traverses the Towns of North Branford, North Haven, Branford, East Haven and New Haven. Some of these municipalities did not receive notification of the application.

The Council requests your response no later than July 19, 2004. To help expedite the Council's review, please file briefs as soon as they are available.

Please forward original and 20 copies to this office including an electronic filing. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, 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 dated June 4, 2004, is enclosed. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

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