Docket No. 272 - Development and Management Plan Inspection

The Connecticut Light and Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut, including reconstruction of portions of existing 115-kV and 345-kV electric transmission line, the construction of Beseck Switching Station in Wallingford, East Devon Substation in Milford, (and Singer Substation in Bridgeport), modifications at Scovill Rock Switching Station and Norwalk Substation, and the reconfiguration of certain interconnections.

Segment 2b Inspection

Date: September 25, 2008

Inspector: Matt Kelly

Location: Segment 2b – Cheshire/Hamden Town Line to East Devon Substation

Rainfall: 0.02" of precipitation were recorded since the last inspection. (NOAA data at New Haven,

CT).

Areas of Inspection	Observation	Recommended Action	Corrected Action
Access roads and adjacent roadways Milford, CT All sections	Restoration efforts to access roads and adjacent roadways appear complete at this time. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until all areas are stabilized with vegetation. 9/25/08	Not Applicable (NA)
Caswell St/Bic Dr Orange, CT	Construction appears complete in this section at this time, and construction traffic has been minimal for an extended period. The majority of sedimentation in this area is non-project related. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until construction related traffic has ceased. If sediment tracking continues, sweep roadway as needed and provide catch basin protection. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation
All sections	Restoration efforts to access road and crane pad locations appear complete at this time. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/25/08	Vegetative growth noted
Woodbridge, CT JCC	Access Rd/crane pad reclamation was active here this week. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/25/08	Reclamation is active
Bethany, CT Litchfield Turnpike	Stone pads have been removed from the ROW. The access road, including the timber mat crossings, is permanent and will remain. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until the area is stabilized with vegetation. <i>See stabilization section</i> . 9/25/08	Needs attention

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Hamden, CT Old Ln	Catch basin controls need attention here. 7/18-9/25/08	Provide and maintain catch basin protection. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Foundation and site construction All sections	H- frame structure and lattice tower removal appears to be complete at this time. 9/25/08	NA. 9/25/08	NA
	115-kV work appears to be complete within the ROW at this time. Restoration efforts continue. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/25/08	NA
	345-kV work appears to be complete within the ROW at this time. Restoration efforts continue 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. See EC Section. 9/25/08	NA
Erosion and sediment controls Milford, CT	Roots have been retained in most cleared areas to maintain some soil stability. Crews have made good efforts to temporarily stabilize most disturbed areas with hay mulch. Timber mats and erosion controls are in place in and adjacent to wetland areas. 9/25/08	None at this time. Continue to utilize the appropriate erosion control measures and stabilize disturbed soils as necessary. 9/25/08	NA
Lexington Way	Stormwater from a culvert beneath Hwy 15 is scouring a channel along the perimeter of the ROW near structure #3826. Exposed soils remain in this area. 8/14-9/25/08	Continue to monitor and stabilize exposed soils. Evaluate control options. 9/25/08	Needs attention/evaluation
East Rutland	Stormwater run-off is scouring a channel along the access road near structure #3827. 8/14-9/25/08	Continue to monitor and stabilize exposed soils. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Wheelers Farm Rd	Stormwater runoff is causing minor scouring	Place check dams or divert runoff flow until the slope	Approximately 65-70% vegetative cover has

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	near structure #3832. Runoff from the slope is undermining the silt fence here. Approximately 65- 70% vegetative cover has been noted outside of the stormwater path in this area. 8/14-9/25/08	is stable. 9/25/08	been noted outside of the stormwater path in this area. Needs additional attention
Eisenhower Park	A spoil pile remains in the wetland buffer here. 9/25/08	Remove pile from wetland buffer when feasible. 9/25/08	Needs attention when feasible
Eisenhower Park Mitigation Area	Soils in the mitigation area remain exposed, but appear to be contained on site. In general, all plantings appear to be doing well at this time. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. Exposed soils should be seeded if grass growth is not observed now that the plantings are complete. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Orange, CT	Stormwater run-off has	Stabilize exposed soils and	Needs attention
Dogburn Rd	caused scouring in the restored crane pad area near structure #24077. 8/22-9/25/08	continue to monitor and repair/add controls as necessary. 9/25/08	
Route 34	Spoils have been removed from the ROW off Rt. 34. 9/25/08	Remove spoil piles when feasible. 9/25/08	Spoils have been removed from the ROW
Bethany & Hamden, CT	Spoils remain on the ROW off Hatfield Rd, Downs to Gaylord Mtn Rd, Tom Swamp, & Brooksvale Ave. 9/25/08	Remove spoil piles during 345 kV restorations. 9/25/08	Remaining spoil piles need attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Bethany, CT	Access road controls	Continue to monitor and	Needs evaluation/
Litchfield Tpk	(waterbars and sediment basins) remain intact, but sediment from the road continues to accumulate on some of the wetland crossings in this section. 9/25/08	add/maintain controls to prevent sediment migration to the wetlands. 9/25/08	attention
Hamden, CT	A small swale was	Continue to monitor until	Haybale controls have
West Todd Street/ Gaylord Mountain	installed along the ROW perimeter and the access road in an attempt to help	final stabilization is achieved. The swale remains functional but	been installed within the swale Needs additional attention

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	control/divert stormwater runoff. An erosive gully has been observed in the northern portion of the swale. Haybale controls have been installed within the swale. 9/25/08	additional controls are needed to help control stormwater and erosion. Remove sediment from the wetland. 9/25/08	
Gaylord Mountain (North)	Sediment is accumulating in the third sediment basin along the access road here. Additional controls/ stabilization measures may be necessary. Vegetative growth has been observed within the trench along the access road. 9/25/08	Remove sediment from the basin during 345 kV restoration efforts. 9/25/08	Sediment basins need attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Brooksvale Ave	Existing controls continue to function at wetland #100, but additional controls may be necessary. The sediment basin is nearing capacity. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor and add/maintain controls as necessary. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation/ attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Old Lane Rd	Access road controls remain functional here. Sediment basins need attention. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor and maintain as necessary. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation
Inland Wetland and Watercourse encroachment and mitigation	The ACOE permit is in hand and approved wetland work continues. 9/25/08	Follow general guidelines of the permit whenever work in wetlands occurs. 9/25/08	NA
All sections	Foundations for 115-kV structures that have been installed in wetlands (as approved) include: #'s 3836(2), 3837, 3838, 3839, 3843, 3868, 3869, 3870, 3874, 3881, 3899, 3905, 3908, 3912, 3913, 3914, 3915, 3916, 3917, 3918, 3923, 3941, 3947, 3992, 3993, & 4009. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor and add controls as necessary. 9/25/08	NA at this time
	Foundations for 345-kV	Continue to monitor and	NA at this time

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Milford, CT	structures that have been installed in wetlands (as approved) include: #'s 24023 (2), 24024, 24025, 24026, 24030, 24042, 24057, 24061, 24067, 24068, 24072 (2), 24090, 24091, 24092R, 24099, 24100, 24101, 24102, 24103, 24104, 24110, 24119(2), 24146, 24166, & 24179. 9/25/08	add controls as necessary. 9/25/08	
East Rutland Road (western access point), Eisenhower Park Orange, CT	Permanent stone access roads remain at the wetland crossings in these areas. 9/25/08	NA 9/25/08	NA
Pine Tree Dr, Lambert Rd, Clearview Ln (Woodbridge)	Permanent stone access roads remain at the wetland crossings in these areas (as approved). 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	NA
Woodbridge, CT JCC/B'Nai	Access road and pad reclamation continues in the wetland area here this week. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	Reclamation is active
Cow Path Ln,	The wetland areas near the JCC and B'Nai Jacob have been cleared as a result of the permitted relocation of the ROW. Vegetative growth has been observed at B'Nai Jacob. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	NA at this time
Rimmon Rd, Brookwood Dr, Ansonia Rd, and Glen Dam	Permanent access roads remain in the wetlands in these sections (as permitted.) 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	NA
Oak Ln CC	Crane pad reclamation has been completed in the wetland area here. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	Crane pad reclamation has been completed
Bethany, CT Litchfield Tpk,	Stone access roads and timber mats are in place in	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	NA

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Hatfield Rd	the wetland areas in this section (as permitted). 9/25/08		
Litchfield Turnpike Hamden,CT	Some sediment has accumulated on the permanent timber mat crossings at wetlands #115 (between structures #3965 and #3966) and #114 (between structure #3966 and #3967). Sediment does not appear to be accumulating in the wetlands at these crossings. 9/25/08	Evaluate methods to eliminate sediment migration from the access road to the wetlands. The contractor has stated that Geotextile material will be tacked to the surface of the timber mat crossings to help prevent sediment migration to the wetlands from the access road See EC Section. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation/ attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
West Todd St, Tom Swamp/Arrow Rd, Willow Street, Brooksvale Ave, and Old Lane Rd	Temporary stone access roads and timber mats remain in some of the wetland areas in these sections. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor. 9/25/08	NA at this time
Gaylord Mtn. Rd. (North)	Sediment remains in the wetland area located to the southwest of structure #3992. 12/20/07. No further accumulation has been observed and wetland vegetation has been noted. 9/25/08	Evaluate sediment accumulation within the wetland. Carefully remove sediment from wetland if it is greater than 2" in depth. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation/ attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
(South)	Sediment remains in the wetland area between structure #'s 3990-3991. Sediment removal has been scheduled. 9/25/08	Carefully remove sediment from wetland if it is greater than 2" in depth. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Brooksvale Ave	Sediment had seeped through the mats and into wetland #100. Sediment does not appear to be accumulating here. 9/25/08	Carefully remove sediment from wetland areas if it exceeds 2" in depth when timber mats are removed. Add haybale controls to prevent sedimentation from the access road. 9/25/08	Needs evaluation/ attention during 345 kV restoration efforts
Whitney Ave	Sediment remains in the wetland near structure #24195. 9/25/08	Carefully remove sediment from wetland areas if it exceeds 2" in depth.	Needs evaluation/attention during 345 kV

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		9/25/08	restoration efforts
State species of concern, threatened and endangered species.	According to the D&M plan, Wood Turtles are known to occur near the Wepawaug River at Eisenhower Park. Wood turtles are no longer considered dormant after April 1 st . 9/25/08	If active work is to continue in this area after April 1 st , field crews should receive the appropriate training in the recognition and removal of individual wood turtles from the construction area. "Sweeps" should be performed prior to the commencement of construction activities. 9/25/08	Ensure that field crews receive the appropriate training prior to the commencement of construction activities in these areas
Milford to Hamden, CT Eisenhower Park, & Old Ln	An Eastern Box turtle was observed in the Eisenhower Park section of the ROW on 5/9/08 and the Old Ln section in 2007. 9/25/08	The area should receive the same attention as known, protected habitat area along the ROW. The dormant season has ended as of April 1 st and sweeps for turtles are required prior to accessing the site. 9/25/08	Sweeps are needed in this area during access for restoration activities.
Vegetative clearing or stabilization All active roads (all towns)	Vegetative clearing appears complete at this time. Most cleared species were invasive and were removed. "Hedgerows", including cedars and similar short tree species were retained along the ROW where feasible. Select shrubs, especially those adjacent to wetlands, also remain in most areas. 9/25/08	Continue to retain appropriate vegetation for stabilization. Retain as much vegetation as possible for screening. Confirm that clearing/cutting is limited only to areas defined in D&M plan. Provide as much buffer as possible for homeowners. 9/25/08	NA
Milford, CT Naugatuck Ave, Caswell St, Plains Rd, Oronoque Rd, Fresh Meadow Ln, North St, Woodruff	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved in these areas. 9/25/08	NA 9/25/08	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved
Lexington Way, E. Rutland, Wheelers Farm Rd, W. River St,	Vegetative growth has been noted in these areas. Approximately 60-70% vegetative cover exists;	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	Vegetative growth has been noted but additional attention is needed.

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Eisenhower Park	however, additional stabilization is needed in these areas. 9/25/08		
Orange, CT			_
Rolling Ridge Rd, Pine Tree Dr, Lambert Rd	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved in these areas. 9/25/08	NA 9/25/08	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved
Treat Ln, Orange Center Rd, Sunset Dr, Hall Dr, Edward Ct, Racebrook Rd, Russell Ave, Overland Dr, Saddle Ridge Rd, Rt 34, and Dogburn Rd	Vegetative growth has been observed in these restored locations. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	Vegetative growth has been noted
Dogwood Rd, Hunting Hill Rd, and Hunting Hill Place	Restoration efforts are complete in these areas. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	Reclamation/Restoration efforts are complete
Woodbridge, CT			
Clearview Ln, Ansonia Rd, Manville Rd, Center Rd, Woodbine Rd, and Clark Rd	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved in these areas. 9/25/08	NA 9/25/08	Final vegetative stabilization has been achieved
Brookwood Rd, Salem Rd, Rimmon Rd, Pease Rd, Cowpath Ln, and Glen Dam	Vegetative growth has been noted in these restored locations. 9/25/08	Continue to monitor until final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	Vegetative growth has been noted
Brookwood Rd	A 2-foot woodchip pile has been noted here. 9/25/08	Spread wood chips in the upland portions of the ROW or remove when feasible. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Bethany, CT	115 kV & 345 kV	Continue to monitor until	Reclamation/restoration
Litchfield Tpk	restoration efforts appear complete in this section at this time. Vegetative growth has been noted. 9/25/08	final stabilization is achieved. 9/25/08	efforts are complete
	The access roads here are permanent, therefore timber mat wetland crossings will remain. 9/25/08	The contractor has stated that Geotextile material will be tacked to the surface of the timber mat crossings to help prevent sediment migration to the wetlands from the access	Needs attention/evaluation

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Hamden, CT Old Ln	A 2-foot woodchip pile has been noted here. 9/25/08	road. 9/25/08 Spread wood chips in the upland portions of the ROW or remove when feasible. 9/25/08	Needs attention
Dewatering Orange, CT Woodbridge, Bethany, and Hamden CT	Dewatering appears complete at this time. 9/25/08	NA. 9/25/08	NA
Blasting	No blasting is proposed at this time. 9/25/08	None. 9/25/08	NA
Spills, soils and material storage.	Contractor receiving yard is set up near Shelland St. in Milford. See segment 3 report. 9/25/08	In general, store materials and equipment appropriately. Ensure that vehicles are equipped with spill kits. All construction vehicles should be parked at least 100 feet from a wetland or waterbody when feasible. 9/25/08	NA
Additional Observations	Vehicle tracks were observed in Eisenhower Park near the mitigation area. 8/14-9/25/08	Noted for the record. 8/14/08-9/25/08	NA
	Non-project related sedimentation has been observed in the roadway off Caswell Street/Bic Drive & Plains Rd in Milford. 9/25/08	Note for the record. 9/25/08	NA
	Non-project related soil piles have been observed within a wetland buffer off North St in Milford. 9/25/08	Note for the record. 9/25/08	NA

Next likely scheduled	
inspection:	Thursday October 2, 2008

I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statements made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense in accordance with Section 22a-6 under Section 53a-157 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Field Inspector: Matt Kelly, BSC Group

Reviewer: Lee Curtis, BSC Group



Rt 34 (Orange): Vegetative growth continues within the restored access road and crane pad near structures #3887/24074.



Rt 34: An additional view of vegetative cover near structures #3887/24074. Soils appear stable along the slope at this time.



Rt 34: Timber mats have been removed from the wetland near structures #3885/24072.



Rt 34: An additional view of the area near structures #3885/24072. Vegetative growth continues to increase here.



Rt 34: A view of a restored wire pulling site. No direct impacts to the wetland are evident here, and vegetative growth increases within the wetland buffer.



Rt 34: A view of the restoration efforts and plantings off Saddle Ridge road near structures #3884/24071.



Clearview Ln (Woodbridge): A view of the restored upland access road near structures # 3901/24088.



Clearview Ln: A view of a permanent wetland crossing near structures #3903/24090. This crossing is located off ROW and disturbed areas have been restored and stabilized with vegetative cover. Silt fence controls can be removed at this time.



Clearview Ln: A view of the restoration efforts near structure #3903/24090. A permanent wetland crossing remains here as permitted. Final stabilization efforts have been achieved in this area.

Clearview Ln: An additional view of the restoration efforts near structures #3903/24090. This area was a former wire pulling site.



Clearview Ln: A view of the access road restoration efforts near structures #3904/24091. Vegetation growth continues here.



Brookwood Dr (Woodbridge): A view of the restored crane pad near structures #3909/24096. A woodchip pile has been stored here recently.



Manville Rd (Woodbridge): Good vegetative cover exists within the wetland area near structures #3915/24102.



Manville Rd: An additional view of the restoration efforts near structures #3915/24102.



Manville Rd: A view of the restoration efforts near structures #3916/24103. This area has achieved final stabilization.



Ansonia Rd (Woodbridge): A view of the restoration efforts near structures # 3914/24101. Approximately 60-65% vegetative cover exists here.