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 4a Underground Line
Date:	May 1, 2008	

Inspector: Gregory Sommer

Location: Singer Substation to Fairfield/Westport Town Line

Rain Event: 1.89" of precipitation was reported since the previous inspection, with 1.62" of the total recorded on 4/28 (Bridgeport, CT NOAA data).

Areas of Inspection	Observation	Recommended Action	Corrected Action
Access Roads and Adjacent Roadways	All work is within or adjacent to existing paved roadways at this time. 5/1/08	See erosion control section for details on sediment tracking, 5/1/08	Not Applicable (NA)
Vault Openings and Trench Construction	Construction activities and/or steel road plates were observed at the time of the inspection near sta. #442-443, #448-451, #453-455, #473-474, #477-478, #479-480, #627-628, #715-717, & #719-720. 5/1/08	Continue to monitor areas. Mulch/ temporarily stabilize areas as they are completed. Continue to sweep roadways as soon as feasible. 5/1/08	Needs regular attention.
	Electrical contractors were working at vault #43 & #45. 5/1/08	None. 5/1/08	NA
Erosion and Sediment Controls All active areas	Controls were removed from catch basins on state routes per the request of ConnDOT to improve drainage during winter conditions. Contractor plans to discontinue use of controls for the duration of the project and clean basins as necessary. 5/1/08	Since controls are no longer in place in the catch basins, attend to all sediment at the source and stabilize exposed soils as quickly as possible. Clean catch basins as necessary. 5/1/08	Needs regular attention.

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	Shurry from saw cutting activities has the potential to enter catch basins. 5/1/08	Prevent slurry from entering catch basins and sensitive areas by quickly attending to it as it is generated during cutting, 5/1/08	Needs regular attention.
	Any exposed soils have potential for airborne dust migration. Contractors are aware of the potential. 5/1/08	Prevent dust migration by regularly watering down exposed soils and sweeping immediately. If exposed soils are not to be worked within 21 days, they should be stabilized within 7 days of the last activity. 5/1/08	NA
Fairfield	Active work continues between sta. #473-478. Some areas consisted of open trench while others were backfilled and awaiting paving. Some sediment was observed on adjacent pavement during the active work. 5/1/08	Crews had been observed actively sweeping last week. Continue to clean adjacent areas at the end of the workday. 5/1/08	Needs regular attention.
	Temporary pavement and bituminous and/or crushed stone curbing remains near sta. # 462- 464 and #502-503. 5/1/08	Continue to monitor the area. Sweep roadways as necessary to minimize tracking, 5/1/08	NA at this time.
Bridgeport	Some ruts were observed along the shoulder of Railroad Ave between Hancock Ave, and	Refresh/add gravel or hard-pack along the shoulders of the roadway in this area to reduce the	Needs attention. Continue to monitor.
	Howard Ave. (sta #737) likely due to regular traffic, not construction vehicles. This area remains backfilled with hard-pack but may need to be refreshed. 2/7- 5/1/08	potential for rutting and tracking. Continue to monitor so crews can address specific problem areas as they arise. 1/31-5/1/08	The city of Bridgeport is concerned about the condition here and crews were being requested to evaluate this area.
Kings Highway Lay- down Yard (Off Kings Highway, near Rt. 1 rotary)	Crushed stone remains in several areas throughout the yard to reduce tracking. Minor sediment tracking and minor dust migration were noted. 5/1/08	Continue to monitor and maintain controls and sweep the roadway as necessary. Maintain crushed stone throughout the yard and limit the amount of material piled	Needs regular attention.

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	Perimeter controls remain in place but some sections need repair.	near controls. 5/1/08 Controls need maintenance. 3/20-5/1/08	Needs attention
Inland Wetland and Watercourse encroachment and mitigation	3/20-5/1/08 The Kings Highway lay- down yard is located adjacent to potential resource areas and a concrete lined waterway. 5/1/08	See Erosion and Sediment Controls section. 5/1/08	NA
	Ruts and some exposed soil were observed near the drainage swale (near sta. #480) along the roadway. Crushed stone remains piled near the edge of the swale. 4/24- 5/1/08	Spread crushed stone over areas of exposed soil at the roadway shoulder. Re-grade rutted areas. 4/24-5/1/08	Needs attention.
Staging, Storage, and Parking Areas	A contractor lay-down yard is located off of Kings Highway near the Rt. 1 rotary. Reserve spill kits are located near the equipment trailers. Debris material and old railroad ties, which have been stored within the yard, are being sorted and processed for disposal. 4/3-5/1/08	See Erosion Control and Spills and Material Storage sections. 5/1/08	NA
Soils	Soils are exposed as part of the excavation for trench, vault, and utility work. 5/1/08	Most areas are temporarily stabilized. Soils appear to be handled appropriately. 5/1/08	NA
	The previously exposed soil along the median near Rt. 1/Pequot Ave remains temporarily stabilized with mulch and seed. 5/1/08	Continue to monitor the area until it is stabilized with vegetative cover. 5/1/08	NA
	An area of exposed soil remains near sta. #596 (vault #36) near the new sidewalk and parking lot. A vehicle recently drove	Re-grade and appropriately stabilize the area. Monitor for final stabilization. Install construction fencing or	Needs attention when feasible.

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	through the area leaving minor ruts and tracking a minor amount of material into the parking lot. 3/13- 5/1/08	other barrier if problem persists. 3/13-5/1/08	
	An area of exposed soil is adjacent to the work zone near sta. #649-650. Sediment tracking was not observed this week. A temporary sidewalk is in place. 5/1/08	Work is complete in this area. Stabilize and seed the area when feasible. 5/1/08	Continue to monitor.
State species of concern, threatened and endangered species.	According to the D&M plan, state-listed species are not located in this work area. 5/1/08	None. 5/1/08	NA
Vegetative clearing (including trees to save or danger trees noted) or stabilization	Some portions of the trench work along Pequot Ave. remain un-vegetated but stable. 5/1/08	Permanently stabilize remaining exposed areas when feasible. 5/1/08	NA
	Two trees were removed near sta. #462 in accordance with the D&M Plan (3/27/07). One tree was removed near vault #42 (7/25/07). 5/1/08	Vegetation should be restored as necessary upon completion of work in these areas. 5/1/08	NA
	A stone wall, a fence and some shrubs had been removed from the work area at sta #503 per the D&M plan. The stone wall has been rebuilt. 5/1/08	Replace any removed shrubs per the D&M plan. 5/1/08	Needs evaluation/ final cover
Dewatering	Dewatering was observed near sta. #717 during this week's inspection. 5/1/08	Continue to properly contain and/or filter discharge water when dewatering is required. 5/1/08	NA
Spills and Material Storage	Spill cleanup materials/kits were observed in the storage yards. 5/1/08	Ensure that spill kits are also present with each vehicle during active construction 5/1/08	NA
Additional Observations	Active work was occurring on the bridge attachment over Sasco	None. 5/1/08	NA

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	Creek. These activities will be covered in the water and railroad crossings report. 5/1/08		
	While trenching near sta #474, a gas line was ruptured. The gas company responded to repair the line and no injuries were reported. 5/1/08	None at this time. 5/1/08	NA

Next likely scheduled inspection:

Thursday May 8, 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:	Gregory Sommer, BSC Group	
Reviewer:	Diana Walden, BSC Group	



Work continues near sta. #473-478. Crews were trenching in some areas while other areas were being backfilled and prepared for paving.



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A small section of silt fence needs repair along the perimeter of the Kings Highway lay down yard.