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 2a Inspection

Date: September 25, 2007

Inspector: Matthew Creighton

Location: Segment 2a – Beseck Switching Station to Cheshire/Hamden Town Line

Rainfall: 0.02" of precipitation was recorded in the week prior to inspection (NOAA data at Meriden,

CT).

Areas of Inspection	Observation	Recommended Action	Corrected Action
Access roads and adjacent roadways	Timber mats are in place at wetland crossings and staging areas. 9/25/07	See Erosion Control Section for more details 9/25/07	Not applicable (NA)
Carpenter Ln. to Rte 68	South of Carpenter Ln, timber mat & stone staging areas remain within wetlands. The access road is complete here. Sediment is accumulating along controls at drainage ditch. 8/28-9/25/07	Add controls as needed along the wetlands. See the erosion control section. 9/25/07	Needs regular attention
	A culvert remains in place at the small stream crossing here. Access road was constructed to reach several pad sites between High Hill Rd. and Carpenter Ln. 9/25/07	Add controls as needed along the new access road. Monitor stream for sediment. Wetland crossings will need to be restored at the end of the project. 9/25/07	NA
Durham Rd. Liney Hall Ln.	Access road construction is complete south off Durham. The equipment bridge crossing in place over the Muddy River tributary and a second bridge is in place off Liney Hall Rd. to access structure #24272. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and add controls as needed. 9/25/07	NA

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Williams Rd. to East Center St.	Stone is in place for access at a previously mowed area off Williams Rd. 9/25/07	Stone should be removed and lawn area should be restored upon completion of the project work. 9/25/07	NA
S. Turnpike + Merritt Parkway Area ; Mansion Rd.; Durham Rd.; Stony Brook; Carpenter Ln.; Pent Rd.; Oliver Creek Rd.	No sediment tracking was noted on any of these roadways and the adjacent areas appear stable. Stone construction entrance pads remain in place at most entrances. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor entrances and sweep as needed. 9/25/07	NA
Powers Rd.	Restoration efforts continue. Most of the timber mats have been removed from the staging area within the wetland, but stabilization is still needed. 9/25/07	Carefully grade area and add controls for stabilization. See erosion control section. 8/28-9/25/07	Restoration efforts continue. Needs stabilization
	Crews continue to reclaim portions of the access road by removing stone and narrowing the roadway. 9/25/07	Add controls as needed to stabilize exposed soils. 9/25/07	Needs stabilization/ restoration when complete
Pond Hill Rd. Docker Dr.	Timber mats remain in place at the wetland crossings off Pond Hill. A large exposed/disturbed area was noted off Docker. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor entrances and sweep as needed. Add controls adjacent to the crossings if necessary. Stabilize soils as soon as possible. 9/25/07	Needs attention
Mansion Rd. Apple Orchard	A small channel was diverted/dug along the access road. Water has been pooling on the access road during storms. 6/19-9/25/07 Culverts are onsite but not installed. 7/10-9/25/07	Monitor and add controls along wetland as needed and install culverts to prevent water from pooling on the access road. 9/25/07	Needs evaluation/ attention
Mansion Rd to Tuttle Ave.	Culverts, haybales, fiber rolls, and hay/seed remain in place to stabilize area along the access road but controls were overwhelmed during heavy rains and	Retain the no access areas located off Mansion Rd. and Tuttle Ave (moving west). See erosion control section for more details. 9/25/07	NA

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	run-off was an issue. Rutting has taken place along the slopes and access roads. 9/25/07		
Old Farms Road	Plywood is being used on driveways crossing the ROW to reduce the impact from equipment. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor for sediment on roadway and driveways; continue to use rubber mats or plywood to protect driveways. 9/25/07	NA
	Small pads and access- ways remain in place for laydown areas along the underground section 9/25/07	Continue to monitor areas for erosion and install controls as needed. 9/25/07	NA
Old Farms Rd. (115kV Underground trench- work)	It appears another layer of pavement will be needed to bring roadway surface up to grade. The edge of one homeowner's driveway was damaged during construction and should be repaired. 9/6-9/25/07	Sweep roadway as needed as long as work occurs in the area. During final grading, repair the damaged driveway. 9/6-9/25/07	Needs attention during paving
	The damaged driveway was repaired with asphalt. However, the damaged portion consisted of a brick paver. 9/6-9/25/07	Repair the driveway to the satisfaction of the landowner (e.g replace appropriate material). 9/6-9/25/07	Needs attention
	Hydroseed has been applied to the exposed soils along the edge of the roadway. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor until stabilization is achieved. 9/25/07	Hydroseed has been applied to disturbed areas
Foundation and site construction			
Carpenter Lane	A new staging area is being installed within the wetland area here. 9/25/07	See wetland section for more details. 9/25/07	NA
Durham Rd. Liney Hall Lane Williams Rd to East Center St.	Poles have been delivered to these sites. Foundation work continues off Durham Rd. 9/25/07	See erosion control section. 9/25/07	NA
Pond Hill Rd. & Docker Dr.	Structure installation is complete off Docker Dr.	See EC section for more detail. 9/25/07	Needs attention

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(I 91 – Rte. 5)	Disturbed/exposed areas remain. 9/25/07		
Pent Rd. & Oliver Creek Rd.	Structure installation was occurring during the inspection. 9/25/07	Add/adjust controls as necessary. 9/25/07	NA
S. Turnpike + Merritt Parkway Area	Foundation drilling continues off South Turnpike, adjacent to the Merritt Parkway. 9/25/07	See erosion control section. Add controls as needed especially with the steep slope. 9/25/07	NA
Old Farms Rd. (115kV Underground trench- work)	The exposed soils were hydroseeded at the transition area this week. Road surface has been paved but may need another layer of pavement. Line pulling equipment is onsite. 9/25/07	See access road and erosion control sections for more details. 9/25/07	Exposed soils were hydroseeded but further attention is needed
Erosion and sediment controls	Turbid run-off had been filtering through haybale	Remove any accumulated sediment at the controls	Check dams are functioning well
Carpenter Ln. to Rt. 68	check dams before leaving the site. Sediment accumulation was noted here. 6/19-9/25/07	and stabilize area as soon as work is complete. 6/19-9/25/07	but needs regular attention
Durham Rd.	The new access road and bridge installed south of Durham Rd. look good. Controls remain intact. 9/25/07	Monitor and add controls as needed adjacent to wetlands. 9/25/07	NA
Liney Hall Ln.	A culvert remains at the small stream crossing. No sediment issues noted. Timber mats and fiber rolls remain in place and a bridge is in place across Muddy Brook. 9/25/07	Monitor and add controls along the road as needed. Stabilize area impacted by timber mats. 9/25/07	NA
Williams Rd to East Center St.	Timber mats and silt fence remain in place at the Stony Brook site access. No controls added at landowner disturbed area off Williams. 9/25/07	Attempt to add appropriate controls between the exposed soil and the undisturbed portion of wetlands even though landowner activities continue here 9/25/07	Most issues are related to the landowner but attempt to improve if feasible

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Tamarack Swamp Rd.	Small pad remains within wetlands. Controls are in place. 9/25/07	Monitor and adjust controls as needed. 9/25/07	NA
Powers Rd. & Woodhouse Ave.	A small riprap diversion moves run-off around the timber mats, through a riprap channel flowing off-site and into silt fence barriers. However, in the process of removing timber mats, sediment was pushed over some controls and equipment caused a small area of disturbance in the wetland. 8/28-9/25/07	Monitor controls for effectiveness. Clean sediment from riprap as needed. Carefully grade and stabilize exposed soils. 8/28-9/25/07 Maintain/reinforce controls until the area is stable. 9/25/07	Needs attention
	Stone access remains within the wetlands off Powers Rd. Contractor was removing stone within the wetlands along the edge of the access road, reducing current impacts. Some haybales are in place at the crossing but more may be needed. 9/25/07	Install culverts to reduce turbid run-off as needed. Ensure that controls are adequate to filter run-off at this location. Stabilize area as soon as possible. 9/25/07	Stone was being removed from the wetland along the edge of the access road A few controls are in place; continue to monitor and evaluate
	Exposed soils were seeded where timber mats were removed, but not all stone was removed prior to seeding. 9/25/07	Remove the stone from the wetlands and stabilize the exposed soil with a wetland seed mix. Continue to monitor for stabilization. 9/25/07	Soils were seeded but further attention is needed here
Woodhouse Ave. Harrison Rd.	A large stockpile/exposed soil area remains off Woodhouse Ave. Controls were located downgradient. 9/25/07	Remove/stabilize stockpile when feasible and monitor controls. 9/25/07	Controls are in place
	Controls remain along the slope and haybales are in place at the sediment trap. Several new fiber rolls were installed around the site. The large gully on the slope should be addressed. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and add controls as needed. Attempt to repair/ stabilize the gully. 9/25/07	Several new fiber rolls were installed

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	The soil stockpile remains off Harrison Rd. Additional controls were installed. Shrubs were planted in clusters along the stream channel. 9/25/07	Monitor controls around the stockpile and remove the soil when feasible. Monitor new plantings and replace if needed. See Vegetative Clearing and Stabilization Section. 9/25/07	Shrubs were planted along the stream channel Additional controls were installed
Pond Hill Rd. & Docker Dr. (I 91 – Rte. 5)	Exposed soils resulting from a new foundation were overwhelming controls near wetlands. Turbid run-off reaches wetlands during the heavy rain. 9/25/07	Repair/maintain the controls adjacent to the mats and the grading. Consider seeding slopes and both sides of the silt fence to stabilize soils. 9/25/07	Needs attention
Pent Rd. & Oliver Creek Rd.	Clearing is complete within the Quinnipiac flood-plain, including at the streambank. 6/12/07 No controls were added but stumps/ roots were retained. 5/30-9/25/07	Now that clearing is complete, add controls as needed and stabilize sloped areas. Continue to retain vegetation and avoid disturbing soil. Monitor river closely. 6/12-9/25/07	Needs evaluation
S. Turnpike + Merritt Parkway Area	Mulch remains along the steep slope off Merritt Parkway adjacent to wetlands. Additional controls may be needed. 9/25/07	Add controls along the steep slope to the river and monitor the area closely for erosion. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor
Mansion Rd. Apple Orchard	A small channel was installed to divert a spring but is causing turbid water to pool at the edge of the access road at two locations. 6/19-9/25/07	A culvert appears to be necessary to prevent turbid water from ponding and reaching wetlands. 6/19-9/25/07	Needs evaluation
Mansion Rd. to Tuttle Ave.	Several wetland crossings are located here. Filter socks and culverts remain in place but heavy rains overwhelmed controls with turbid run-off in several locations. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and add new controls where needed. 9/25/07	Needs evaluation/ attention
	Significant erosion/ sedimentation was observed during a heavy rainstorm. Turbid water was flowing into wetlands	Add controls as soon as possible to prevent erosion along the slopes and access road. Controls need to be	Needs attention

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	from the culvert and off site. Washouts along the access road and slopes were noted. 9/25/07	reinforced at the culvert and exposed areas contributing to the run- off need stabilization to the extent feasible. 9/25/07	
Old Farms Rd.	Turbid run-off was not noted this week, but it has been observed during heavy rains. 9/25/07	Stabilize disturbed areas to the extent feasible. Add controls as needed to contain the ROW. Protect receiving catch basins. A culvert should be considered at driveway crossings to prevent runoff. 9/25/07	Needs attention
Old Farms Rd. (115kV Underground work)	Soil in the adjacent shoulder has been graded and hydroseeded. Some ruts were noted. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor for stabilization. Repair ruts when feasible. 9/25/07	Soil has been hydroseeded but ruts need attention
Inland Wetland and Watercourse encroachment and mitigation	Jurisdictional wetlands can be accessed now that ACOE permit is in hand. 9/25/07	Approved work in wetlands will follow the permit guidelines. 9/25/07	NA
	Sections of ROW are located within the McKenzie Watershed Protection District of the Town of Wallingford from existing pole #8798 to Beseck SS. 9/25/07	This area should be closely monitored. Monitor equipment for leaks whenever working in these sensitive areas. Refuel and store equipment outside of the district. 9/25/07	Needs to be monitored
Carpenter Ln. to Rte 68	Timber mat staging areas and several foundations are in place within wetlands off Carpenter Ln. Sediment was noted within controls, accumulating at the wetland edge. 5/8-9/25/07	Add controls as needed in this area. Remove sediment from wetlands before removing controls. Monitor for run-off 5/8-9/25/07	Needs evaluation
Durham Rd. Liney Hall Ln.	Timber mats are in place at the wetland crossings in these sections and well installed bridges are in place for two larger stream channels. Controls were installed. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and add controls at needed. Monitor the bridge surface for sediment tracking 9/25/07	Controls were installed

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Williams Rd to East Center St.	The continued disturbance/fill of the exposed soil adjacent to wetlands in this section was determined to be related to the landowner activities. 9/25/07	See erosion control section for more details. 9/25/07	Most issues are related to the landowner but attempt to improve if feasible
Tamarac Swamp Road	Pad and adjacent controls remain within wetlands. 9/25/07	Monitor and adjust controls as needed. 9/25/07	NA
Powers Rd. & Woodhouse Ave.	Some sedimentation was noted in the wetlands, pushed over the degraded controls where timber mats were removed. Exposed soils were seeded but stone was not removed from the wetland prior to seeding. 9/25/07	Repair and reinforce controls and pull back sediment where feasible. Remove stone from wetlands and reseed as needed. 9/25/07	Exposed soils were seeded but additional attention is needed
	Crews continue to reclaim/restore sections of wetlands off Powers Rd. by removing stone from the edge of the access road. 9/25/07	Seed exposed area with wetland seed mix or similar. Continue to monitor for final stabilization. 9/25/07	Some stone removed from edge of access road to reclaim wetlands. Additional restoration efforts needed
Woodhouse Ave. Harrison Rd.	Run-off from an existing catch basin has formed a gully in the slope that ends at the wetland/ stream. A filter sock was added here this week. 9/25/07	Monitor controls and continue stabilization efforts if needed. 9/25/07	Filter sock was added
	Shrubs were planted by hand along the stream channel. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor. See Vegetative Clearing and Stabilization Section. 9/25/07	Shrubs were planted by hand along the stream channel
Pond Hill Rd. & Docker Dr. (I 91- Rte. 5)	Run-off from a recently graded/exposed area has entered the wetlands here. 9/25/07	See erosion control section. 9/25/07	Needs immediate attention
Pent Rd. & Oliver Creek Rd., S. Turnpike + Merritt Parkway Area	Clearing is complete in the Quinnipiac River floodplain and along the bank off Merritt Parkway. Mulch was applied but	See erosion control section. Continue to monitor. Retain as much vegetation as feasible and reduce soil disturbance.	Needs attention

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	more controls may be necessary. 8/7-9/25/07	Additional controls should be added due to the steep slope. Install EC blankets if needed. 7/10-9/25/07.	
Mansion Rd. Apple Orchard	Pad site remains within the edge of a wetland as permitted. Culverts may also be needed at two small-saturated crossings. 9/25/07	See erosion controls section. Add culvert as needed. 9/25/07	Needs additional evaluation
Mansion Rd to Tuttle Ave.	Several wetland crossings are in place. Turbid water was overwhelming controls and entering wetlands during the heavy rain. 9/25/07	See erosion controls section. Reinforce controls as needed. 9/25/07	Needs evaluation/ attention.
Old Farms Rd.	Minor clearing is complete within small sections of wetlands around pad sites. 9/25/07	See Vegetative Clearing and Stabilization Section. Continue to monitor. 9/25/07	NA
State species of concern, threatened and endangered species.	A no entry sign remains near the potential vernal pool off Stony Brook Rd. as an appropriate alternative to construction fencing. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor area and retain distance from active work. 9/25/07	NA
Liney Hall Rd	Several frog and salamander egg masses were previously noted within a pool located off Liney Hall Ln. but the pool is now dry. This is not a state listed species issue but indicates good amphibian breeding habitat. Area around the pool has been mowed. 9/25/07	Prevent turbidity and direct impacts to these areas to the extent feasible. Property owner may have mowed the area. 9/25/07	NA
Woodhouse Ave; Harrison Rd. Mansion Rd. to Tuttle Ave	Evidence of Eastern box turtles has been confirmed off Woodhouse Ave on 5/8/07 and in the section between Mansion Rd. and Tuttle Ave on 7/17/07.	Both areas should receive the same attention as known protected habitat area along the ROW. Sweeps for turtles should be performed regularly in this area before	Areas need to be monitored/swept regularly.

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	These areas were not marked as potential habitat for Eastern box turtles according to the D&M plan, DEP response letter and NDDB website. 9/25/07	equipment progresses. 9/25/07	
Vegetative clearing or stabilization Most work areas Have been cleared	Vegetation was preserved in areas where invasive species were not dominant. 9/25/07	Retain vegetation where feasible; confirm that cutting is limited only to areas defined in D&M plan. Be extremely mindful of the extent of clearing flags. 9/25/07	NA
Williams Rd to East Center St.	Some areas of exposed soil need controls, but areas that were disturbed by clearing have started to revegetate 9/25/07	Stabilize exposed soil within/adjacent to wetlands. Add controls as needed within wetlands. See erosion control section 9/25/07	Needs evaluation and attention
Woodhouse Ave and Harrison Rd.	As requested by state representatives and Siting Council staff, native shrubs were planted in clusters to provide shading for Allen Brook. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and replace shrubs if needed. 9/25/07	Native shrubs have been planted in clusters along Allen Brook
	Grass growth continues in mulched areas near structure #8803A. 9/25/07.	Continue to monitor for stabilization. Good revegetation was noted in the new section of ROW. 9/25/07	NA at this time
Powers Rd. Pond Hill Rd. & Docker Dr. (I 91 – Rte. 5) Pent Rd. & Oliver Creek Rd.	Vegetation was retained where possible. Seemingly excessive grading/disturbance was noted in two areas off Docker Dr. 9/25/07	See erosion control section. Continue to use low impact techniques and retain vegetation and appropriate species. Stabilize disturbed areas off Docker Dr. 9/25/07	Needs evaluation.
S. Turnpike + Merritt Parkway Area	Mulch remains on the slopes to prevent erosion. More controls may be needed on the riverbank. 9/25/07	Monitor area and add controls as needed. 9/25/07	Needs evaluation/ attention
Mansion Rd. to Tuttle Ave	Clearing along slopes and wetlands had occurred. The steep slope was eroding and needs	Add controls and seed slopes as needed. Add an erosion control blanket if necessary. Monitor area	Needs attention.

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	stabilization. 9/25/07	closely. See erosion controls section. 9/25/07	
Old Farms Rd.	Minor clearing appears too be complete at this time within some wetland areas around pad sites. Crews selectively removed smaller trees. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor and add controls as needed. 9/25/07	NA
Old Farms Rd. (115kV Underground trench- work)	Hydroseed was applied to the exposed soils along the edge of the roadway here. Ruts were noted. 9/25/07	Continue to monitor for stabilization. See EC Section. 9/25/07	Hydroseed has been applied to disturbed areas.
Dewatering	Dewatering had previously been required at the foundations installed south of Carpenter Ln. Some slurry did migrate to the line of controls at the wetland. 5/8-9/25/07	Monitor any dewatering closely and remove slurry accumulation from wetlands. Maintain adequate controls when dewatering. See erosion control section. 5/8-9/25/07	Needs evaluation and attention.
	Foundation work and dewatering within wetlands off Powers Road is largely complete, however, some slurry/sediment issues remain. 9/6-9/25/07	See erosion control section for more detail 9/25/07	Needs evaluation
	Some slurry washout was noted near the erosion controls as a result of dewatering off Docker Dr. (9/6) 9/25/07	Keep slurry away from controls and monitor the area. 9/25/07	Needs attention.
Blasting	No blasting is proposed. 9/25/07	None	NA
Spills, soils and material storage	Spill control materials are being brought to sites when work is performed. Small drip stains have been noted in several work areas along the ROW. 9/25/07	Always use spill control materials when working on equipment and during refueling. Replace as needed. Check equipment daily for leaks and repair as soon as possible. 9/25/07	Needs regular attention.
All Active Sites	All active sites continue to have small stockpiles associated with drilling	Monitor equipment closely for leaks as they move from site to site to	Continue to monitor throughout construction.

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	and stored equipment during the construction process. 9/25/07	prevent repeated problems. Always contain and control stockpiles as soon as possible. 9/25/07	
Tuttle Ave	Leaking equipment was not observed here this week. 9/25/07	In general, leaeking equipment should be moved away from wetlands and repaired before leaving work area. 9/25/07	Leaking equipment not observed this week
Durham Rd.	Leaking equipment was parked with appropriate spill containment controls. 9/25/07	Spill controls should be maintain and refreshed as needed until equipment is repaired. Avoid using equipment in wetlands/sensitive areas and remove any contaminated soils as soon as possible. 9/25/07	Leaking equipment needs maintenance. Controls are in place.
Additional Observations	None 9/25/07	None	

Next likely scheduled	
inspection:	Monday October 1, 2007

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 Creighton, BSC Group
Reviewer:	Lee Curtis, BSC Group



Carpenter Ln: View of the new staging area within the wetlands.



Liney Hall Ln: Fiber rolls remain in place here. Area around pool (amphibian breeding habitat) has been mowed



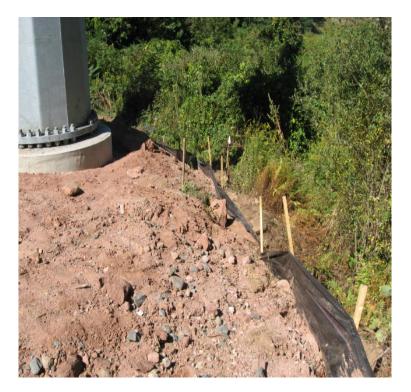
Durham Rd: Leaking equipment was noted here this week. Proper spill controls were in place.



Powers Rd: Restoration efforts continue adjacent to wetlands here.



Harrison Rd: Shrubs were planted by hand along the stream channel.



Docker Dr: Exposed soil resulting from recent foundation work has overwhelmed controls near the wetland here.



Harrison Rd: Haybales and a silt sock are in place at the sediment trap and along the slope.



South Turnpike: Foundation drilling continues in this section. Controls are in place.



Tuttle Ave: Concrete was being poured here this week.



Old Farms Rd: Exposed soils were hydroseeded, but some ruts were noted here.



Tuttle Ave: Foundation drilling continues.



Old Farms Rd: Line pulling equipment is onsite.