

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of March 29, 2012**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, March 29, 2012, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robin Stein at 1:20 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein Chairman	Brian Golembiewski (designee for Commissioner Esty)
Colin Tait Vice Chairman	Barbara Currier Bell Larry Levesque
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr. Edward S. Wilensky Philip T. Ashton	(designee for Chairman DelGobbo) James J. Murphy, Jr.

**Staff Members Present:**

Linda Roberts Executive Director	Robert Mercier Siting Analyst
Melanie Bachman Staff Attorney	David Martin Siting Analyst
Fred Cunliffe Siting Analyst Supervisor	Michael Perrone Siting Analyst
Christina Walsh Siting Analyst Supervisor	

**Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

**Minutes of March 15, 2012.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the minutes of March 15, 2012, as amended, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed with Mr. Murphy abstaining.

**DOCKET F-2012/2013 - Connecticut Siting Council Review of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve party status for NRG, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to grant party status for CMEEC, seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant party status to FirstLight Power, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 192 - Towantic Energy, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 512 megawatt electric generating facility located approximately 4,000 feet north of the Prokop Road and Towantic Hill Road intersection in the Town of Oxford, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch voting no.

**DOCKET NO. 413 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 723 Leetes Island Road, Branford, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Ashton voting no.

**DOCKET NO. 416 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located off Day Hill Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.**

No action was taken on this item.

**PETITION NO. 983 - BNE Energy, Inc. declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.8 MW Wind Renewable Generating facility located on Flagg Hill Road, Colebrook, Connecticut. Request for Extension to Submit Conservation Easement.**

Mr. Murphy moved to grant an extension to submit the Conservation Easement until April 16, 2012, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Tait and Mr. Lynch abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 984 - BNE Energy, Inc. declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.8 MW Wind Renewable Generating facility located on Winsted-Norfolk Road (Route 44), Colebrook, Connecticut. Request for Extension to Submit Conservation Easement.**

Mr. Murphy moved to grant an extension to submit the Conservation Easement until April 16, 2012, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Tait and Mr. Lynch abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 1010 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of an concealed tower on a water tank and associated equipment at a water treatment water plant located at 455 Valley Road, Greenwich, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Lynch stated for the record that he read the transcripts of the proceedings and would be able to vote on this petition.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, as amended, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1024 - United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the Pequonnock Substation located at 10 Henry Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Decision.**

Dr. Bell moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1025 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the existing Shepaug Substation located at 2225 River Road, Southbury, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1026 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed replacement of an existing telecommunications tower located at 400 Sheldon Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**TS-METROPCS-166-120214MA – MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC d/b/a MetroPCS request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 1233 Wolcott Road, Wolcott, Connecticut.**

This item was approved at a meeting held on March 1, 2012.

**Administrative Matters.**

> Upcoming Calendar Events:

- Thursday, April 12, 2012, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Wednesday, April 18, 2012, beginning with a **2:00 p.m.** bus tour and 7:00 p.m. public comment session for Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project), at the Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon
- Thursday, April 19, 2012, beginning with a **2:00 p.m.** bus tour and 7:00 p.m. public comment session for Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project), at the Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn
- Tuesday, April 24, 2012, , beginning with a **2:00 p.m.** bus tour and 7:00 p.m. public comment session for Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project), at the Mansfield Middle School Auditorium, 205 Spring Hill Road, Storrs
- Thursday, April 26, 2012, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain

**Adjournment.**

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robin Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm