

DOCKET NO. 83

AN APPLICATION OF THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR A 115-KV UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION LINE TO INTERCONNECT THE AES THAMES COGENERATION PROJECT TO THE MONTVILLE SUBSTATION IN MONTVILLE, CONN. : CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL : JANUARY 28, 1988

DECISION AND ORDER

The application submitted by the Connecticut Light and Power Company (CL&P) to construct a 115-KV underground electric transmission line to interconnect the Applied Energy Services (AES) Thames Cogeneration Project, Montville, Connecticut, to CL&P's existing Montville Substation, is hereby approved. A Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, as provided by Section 16-50k of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), shall be issued, subject to the following terms, limitations, and conditions. Any changes to specifications pertaining to the following conditions, notice, and report requirements will require Council approval.

1. Conditions

- a. The Facility shall be constructed as proposed in the application and as detailed in the Council's record.
- b. The construction and operation of the transmission line shall be in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and municipal laws, regulations, and ordinances.

- c. Prior to Council review of the D&M plan, the applicant shall submit to the Council comments from the Town of Montville regarding implementation of the plan.
- d. The Certificate will be void if all construction authorized herein is not completed by June 30, 1990.

2. Notifications

The Certificate holder shall provide the Council one week advance notification of the following:

- o Commencement of construction;
- o Commencement of cable pipe oil injection;
- o Commencement of testings; and
- o Commencement of operation.

3. Development and Management Plan

The Certificate holder shall prior to the commencement of line construction, submit the following items as part of an overall Development and Management (D&M) plan for Council approval, modification, or denial within 30 days of the Council's receipt of such plans, as required in Section 16-50j-60 through 16-50j-62 of the Regulations of State Agencies. All plans are to include detailed provisions for design, placement, implementation, analysis, and scheduling. The Certificate holder may consult with Council staff in the preparation of the following:

- o Final procedures for the construction-flow plan;
- o Procedures for the disposal of oil-contaminated soil in the event of accidental spillage;

- o Plans for the ultimate disposal of excess excavated material, including concrete and/or bituminous portions of road pavement;
- o Plans developed with the Connecticut State Police and the Town of Montville Police Departments for traffic control during construction, particularly access for emergency vehicles through the narrow section of Dock Road when it is closed to through traffic;
- o Plans developed with Stone Container Corporation for accessing its roadway and parking lots during business hours;
- o Plans developed with the Wronowski Boat Yard for accessing its driveway during business hours when construction passes through this area;
- o A finalized stabilization landscaping plan for the right-of-way, identifying the location, size, and type of all vegetation to be planted;
- o A finalized erosion and sedimentation control plan identifying the placement, use and removal of all control measures for protecting watercourses, stockpiles, and any location where construction may create drainage problems, and including provisions to minimize the release of turbid discharge from construction into the Thames River;

- o A finalized groundwater monitoring plan with provisions to prevent further degradation of the Thames River and groundwater of the site;
- o A dust control monitoring plan including parameters for identification of a dust problem, and mitigation measures;
- o Detailed plans developed for the construction of an intermediate manhole in Dock Road;
- o Detailed plans for the restoration of a stone wall on the Eichelberg Property;
- o Plans developed for the construction of jacking pits on each side of the Central Vermont Railway;
- o Plans for accessing a public boat launching ramp at the east end of Dock Road when construction passes by that area;
- o Procedures and schedule for night and/or weekend construction if necessary; and
- o A final report developed by a professional archaeological survey company for evaluating the archaeological character of the proposed route.

4. Reports

The Certificate holder shall provide the following reports to the Council and may consult with Council staff in the preparation thereof:

- a. A monthly progress report starting with the commencement of construction;
- b. A final report upon project completion.

5. Permits

When available, the Certificate holder shall provide the Council with copies of all final permits, agreements, and decisions relating to the construction and operation of the Facility.

Pursuant to Section 16-50p of the CGS, the Council hereby directs that a copy of the Opinion and the Decision and Order shall be served on each person listed below and that notice of the issuance shall be published in The Day and the Norwich Bulletin.

By this Decision and Order, the Council disposes of the legal rights, duties, and privileges of each party named or admitted to the proceeding in accordance with section 16-50j-17 of the Regulations of State Agencies.

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned members of the Connecticut Siting Council hereby certify that they have heard this case in Docket No. 83 or read the record thereof, and that we voted as follows:

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut the 28th day of January, 1988.

<u>Council Members</u>	<u>Vote Cast</u>
<u>Gloria Dibble Pond</u> Gloria Dibble Pond Chairperson	Yes
<u>Roland G. Miller</u> Commissioner Peter Boucher Designee: Roland Miller	Yes
<u>Brian J. Emerick</u> Commissioner Leslie Carothers Designee: Brian Emerick	Yes
<u>Owen L. Clark</u> Owen L. Clark	Yes
<u>Fred J. Doocy</u> Fred J. Doocy	Yes
<u>Mortimer A. Gelston</u> Mortimer A. Gelston	Absent
<u>James G. Horsfall</u> James G. Horsfall	Yes
<u>William H. Smith</u> William H. Smith	Yes
<u>Colin C. Tait</u> Colin C. Tait	Yes