

AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY :
NORTHEAST UTILITIES SERVICE : POWER FACILITY
COMPANY, AS AGENT FOR THE :
CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER : EVALUATION COUNCIL
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE :
OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY :
AND PUBLIC NEED WITH RESPECT : OCTOBER 25, 1976
TO A NEW 115 KV OVERHEAD :
ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE :
BETWEEN SHEPAUG AND BATES ROCK :
SUBSTATIONS IN THE TOWN OF :
SOUTHURY :

D E C I S I O N A N D O R D E R

Based on the foregoing, the application of the Connecticut Light and Power Company to construct a second circuit 115 kv overhead transmission line between the Shepaug Substation and Bates Rock Substation in the Town of Southbury is hereby granted. A certificate of environmental compatibility and public need, as required by section 16-50k of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, revised to 1976, as amended, shall be issued, subject to the following terms and conditions.

1) The facility shall be constructed along the route proposed by the Applicant and fully in accordance with the specifications set forth in its application except as hereinbefore provided, and more specifically set forth in the foregoing opinion.

2) The Applicant shall construct the transmission line in accordance with all applicable state and local laws and regulations.

3) The Applicant shall, prior to the commencement of construction of the certified facility, submit for the Council's approval a Right-of-Way Development and Management Plan, developed in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection. Said plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following information.

(a) Characterization of soils, geology, wetlands and depth to water table at sites for structures or access roads.

(b) Dominant vegetation and wildlife characteristics for each section of the route.

- (c) Areas for the potential recreational use of the right-of-way.
- (d) Specifications regarding the locations and construction of structures.
- (e) The location of material staging areas.
- (f) Vegetation clearing instructions, rehabilitation plans and the availability of supervisory personnel.
- (g) The frequency and method of right-of-way maintenance.
- (h) Chemicals to be used in right-of-way maintenance and probable locations for such use.
- (i) Any agreements with abutters or other property owners regarding special maintenance precautions.
- (j) Identification of portions of the right-of-way abutting recreational areas and points of public access.

Upon consideration of this plan and the comments of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Council, within 90 days of the receipt of said plan, will approve or modify the Right-of-Way Development and Management Plan.

We hereby direct, pursuant to section 16-50p(c) of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, revised to 1976, as amended, that a copy of this opinion, order and decision be served on each party as hereinafter named and a notice of the issuance of the order and opinion shall be published in the Hartford Courant, Hartford Times, Newtown Bee, Waterbury Republican, Waterbury American and The News Times.

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The undersigned members of the Power Facility Evaluation Council who have signed this Decision and Order hereby certify that they have heard this case or read the record thereof.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 25th day of October, 1976.

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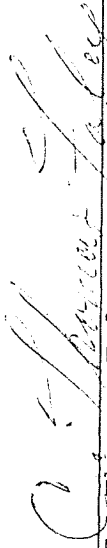
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Hartford, October 25, 1976

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of the decision and order issued by the Power Facility Evaluation Council, State of Connecticut.

ATTEST:


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