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Daniel F. Caruso, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

**Re: Petition No. 906
Kleen Energy to Middletown Junction
353 Line Rebuild
Post-Construction Turtle Report**

Dear Chairman Caruso:

On July 16, 2009, The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P") received a declaratory ruling from the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need was required to rebuild a portion of the 353 Line in Middletown, CT. Because the CT Department of Environmental Protection had identified the site as eastern box turtle habitat, Council staff recommended in its staff report that CL&P submit post-construction correspondence indicating the date and general location of each eastern box turtle sighting upon completion of the project.

Pursuant to that recommendation, CL&P is submitting this letter to notify the Council that no eastern box turtles were encountered by CL&P or its contractors during any clearing, construction or rehabilitation activities on the 353 Line Rebuild Project during the turtle's active months (April 1 to November 1) between August 2009 through project completion in July 2010.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this letter, please contact Susan Provost at 860-665-2673 (provosm@nu.com).

Sincerely,

John Morissette
Manager- Transmission Siting & Permitting

cc: Christine Lepage, CT Siting Council