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February 10, 2011

Robert E. Carberry, Project Manager NEEWS Siting and Permitting Northeast Utilities Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

RE: **DOCKET NO. 370** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby, and Suffield, terminating at the North Bloomfield Substation. Revision to the Development and Management Plan (Appendix E).

Dear Mr. Carberry:

At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council held on February 8, 2011, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) considered and approved the revised version, dated January 14, 2011, of Appendix E, "Drainage Analysis for the Newgate/Phelps Road and the Hatchett Hill Road Areas" to the Development and Management Plan for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project (GSRP) that was approved by the Connecticut Siting Council on October 21, 2010.

Furthermore, the Council approved The Connecticut Light & Power Company's request to use ABSC Group Group as the independent environmental consultant to monitor the construction of the GSRP in Connecticut in accordance with Condition (8) of the Council's March 16, 2010 Decision and Order for the GSRP.

This approval applies only to the revision to the D&M Plan submitted on January 14, 2011. Any additional changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Enclosed is a copy of the staff report on this D&M Plan, dated February 8, 2011.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Daniel F. Caruso

Chairman

DFC/CMW/laf

Enclosure: Staff Report, dated February 8, 2011

c: Parties and Intervenors





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Connecticut Light and Power Company
Change to Appendix E of Development and Management Plan
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Greater Springfield Reliability Project
February 8, 2011

Change to Appendix E of Greater Springfield Reliability Project Development and Management Plan

The Connecticut Light and Power Company (CL&P) is proposing a change to the Development and Management Plan for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project (GSRP) that was approved by the Connecticut Siting Council on October 21, 2010.

CL&P has submitted a revised version of Appendix E, "Drainage Analysis for the Newgate/Phelps Road and the Hatchett Hill Road Areas." The Newgate Road and Phelps Road area are located in East Granby and Suffield and the Hatchett Hill Road area is in East Granby. CL&P has consulted with the Town Engineer of East Granby and individual landowners to include additional control measures. CL&P is now including additional control measures for the Newgate/Phelps Road and Hatchett Hill Road areas. The additional measures are designed to specifically manage surface-water runoff issues in the area to minimize the probability that transmission line construction could exacerbate pre-existing issues.

Residents along Phelps Road and Newgate Road have commented that they have engineered drainage systems to control water flowing toward their properties. The residents are concerned that construction of the GSRP transmission line would create runoff changes that would be greater than their engineered systems could handle. One resident was also concerned about water that flowed from the transmission right-of-way to Newgate Road where it could freeze during winter.

The Hatchett Hill Road area includes the area between Holcomb Road and Hatchett Hill Road, including the Adams Road cul-de-sac. Marsh Pond and associated wetlands are south of Adams Road. A resident at the end of Adams Road was concerned that an existing overflow problem at Marsh Pond and its wetlands would be exacerbated by additional runoff from the construction of the GSRP.

CL&P's additional control measures include:

- 1. Designing measures to a 10-year or 50-year storm event;
- 2. Significantly increasing the amount of silt fence in upland areas:
- 3. Installing wire-reinforced silt fence, rather than traditional silt fence, in some areas;
- 4. Installing additional stone check dams in areas identified by residents as areas of concern;
- 5. Identifying existing surface water control measures and protecting them during construction; and
- 6. Developing a permanent solution to the existing surface water issue at a residence on Adams Drive in East Granby.

All proposed controls would remain in place until the area has been stabilized.



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Identification of Independent Environmental Consultant

In accordance with Condition (8) of the Council's March 16, 2010 Decision and Order for the GSRP. CL&P has submitted a request for the approval of BSC Group as the independent environmental consultant to monitor the construction of the GSRP in Connecticut.

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NOTICE OF SERVICE

I hereby affirm that a photocopy of this document was sent to each Party and Intervenor on the service list dated August 25, 2010 with method of service to each party and intervenor listed via either e-mail or hard-copy on February 10, 2011.

Dated: February 10, 2011

Lisa Fontaine

Custodian of Docket No. 370