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June 25, 2012

Robert E. Carberry, Project Manager
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RE: **DOCKET NO. 370** - The Connecticut Light and 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, Connecticut. Development & Management Plan Revisions.

Dear Mr. Carberry:

At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on June 21, 2012, the Council considered and approved the revisions to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project 345-kV overhead transmission line.

This approval applies only to the Development and Management Changes submitted on May 18, 2012. Any 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 the changes to the D&M Plan, dated June 21, 2012.

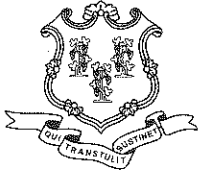
Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/CMW/laf

c: Parties and Intervenors



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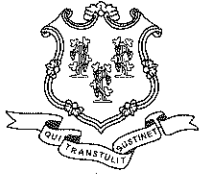
On May 18, 2012, The Connecticut Light and Power Company (CL&P) submitted a request for revisions to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project 345-kV overhead transmission line. CL&P proposes three D&M Plan changes:

1. Extensions or shifts in work pads at 44 locations between North Bloomfield Substation in Bloomfield and Route 20 in East Granby. Of the 44 work pad modifications, 34 are for 115-kV line structure removals.
2. Extensions of 16 work pads at new structure locations between Route 20 in East Granby and the Connecticut/Massachusetts border.
3. A shift in the location of replacement structure #20147 and a reduction in the necessary amount of clearing between the structure and North Bloomfield Substation.

The proposed construction pad changes are needed to allow for safe construction at each location. A construction contractor had originally estimated the necessary construction pad sizes in 2008, prior to the Council's Decision and Order in this docket, which required the shifting of the line in a portion of East Granby, and prior to CL&P's decision to remove the existing 115-kV transmission lines between North Bloomfield Substation and Route 20 in East Granby.

The proposed construction pad modifications would result in a decrease of 182 square feet of permanent wetland impacts, a decrease of 2,957 square feet of temporary wetland impacts, and decrease of 16,542 square feet of secondary wetland impacts. CL&P has received approval from the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for permit revisions.

The proposed revisions are consistent with the D&M Plan change process outlined in Appendix F of the D&M Plan.



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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 January 13, 2012, with method of service to each party and intervenor listed via e-mail and U.S. mail on June 25, 2012.

Dated: June 25, 2012



Lisa Fontaine
Custodian of Docket No. 370