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February 7, 2013

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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.

Dear Mr. Carberry:

At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on February 7, 2013, the Council considered and approved the Development and Management (D&M) Plan Changes for this project submitted on January 18, 2013, modifying the design of the permanent control associated with the "Drainage Analysis for the Newgate/Phelps Road and Hatchett Hill Road Areas" (Drainage Analysis), and allowing certain construction pads and access roads in Suffield to remain in upland areas within the CL&P right-of-way, per landowner requests, as detailed in the attached staff reported.

This approval applies only to the D&M Plan Changes submitted on January 18, 2013. 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.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

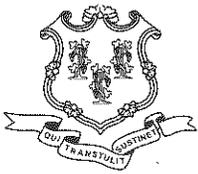
Very truly yours,


Robert Stein 
Chairman

RS/CMW/laf

Enclosure: Staff Report, dated February 7, 2013

c: Service List dated January 13, 2012



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Docket No. 370
The Connecticut Light and Power Company
Greater Springfield Reliability Project
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On January 18, 2013, 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 two D&M Plan changes, including:

1. A modification to the design of the permanent control associated with the "Drainage Analysis for the Newgate/Phelps Road and Hatchett Hill Road Areas" (Drainage Analysis). The Drainage Analysis was approved by the Connecticut Siting Council on February 8, 2011. CL&P's proposed modification to the drainage design in the area east of the Adams Drive cul-de-sac includes a ditch to be located within the permanent surface water control structure. The ditch would extend linearly approximately 500 feet, of which 360 feet extends into the wetland. The ditch would be seven and a half feet wide and a minimum of one-foot deep.
2. Per landowner request, several construction pads and access roads in Suffield would remain in place in upland areas of the CL&P right-of-way, including:
 - a. Three pads and the access road associated with Structures 0087 and 0088;
 - b. Five pads associated with Structures 0091, 0092, 0093, 0094 and 0096;
 - c. Portions of two pads associated with Structures 0090 and 0095; and
 - d. Four pads associated with Structures 0105, 0108, 0109 and 0110.

Pursuant to Section 16-50j-61 (d) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, CL&P provided notice of the changes to the D&M plan to the property owners of record where the changes would occur.

The proposed revisions are consistent with the D&M Plan change process outlined in Appendix F of the D&M Plan. The revisions are minor and the plan is consistent with the Council's Decision and Order.