

DOCKET 370 – Consolidated proceeding pursuant to the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) Request for Proposal (RFP) process under C.G.S. §16a-7c. **Original application:** The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut Valley Electric Transmission Reliability Projects which consist of (1) The Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby, and Suffield, or potentially including an alternate portion that traverses the municipalities of Suffield and Enfield, terminating at the North Bloomfield Substation; and (2) the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut. **Competing application:** NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50l(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut.

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Decision and Order – Manchester to Meekville Circuit Separation Project

On October 20, 2008, The Connecticut Light and Power Company (CL&P) filed an application for the Manchester to Meekville Circuit Separation Project (MMP) in Manchester, Connecticut. During the proceedings for the MMP portion of Docket 370, CL&P provided an exhibit to the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) with general details on a variation of the MMP, referred to as MMP-V. Information was provided on the MMP-V on July 28, 2009 and following the close of the evidentiary hearing sessions, on November 19, 2009. The last evidentiary hearing session was held on November 5, 2009.

During the course of this proceeding, the Council did not receive adequate information to make a decision on the MMP or MMP-V. Therefore, at this time, the Council denies without prejudice a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the circuit separation project between Manchester Substation and Meekville Junction in Manchester, Connecticut.

By this Decision and Order, the Council disposes of the legal rights, duties, and privileges of each party named or admitted to the proceeding in accordance with Section 16-50j-17 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Parties and Intervenors in this proceeding are:

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