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April 3, 2014

John Morissette, Project Manager  
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RE: **DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Mr. Morissette:

Pursuant to a decision made in accordance with R.C.S.A. §16-50j-62 (b) at a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on October 31, 2013, Council staff hereby approves the change to vegetation clearing limits to surround the temporary work pad for installation of structure 6538A rather than straight through the work pad as depicted on D&M Plan Volume 3, Mapsheet 5. The Certificate Holder contends the impacts of clearing (plus the temporary work pad / associated grading) have been accounted for in the Army Corps of Engineers and Department of Energy and Environmental Protection permits and will be temporary since the work pad will be removed and the work site restored consistent with the restoration phase of the Project.

This approval applies only to the clarification of the vegetation clearing limits provided in a request dated April 2, 2014. Any additional changes to the D&M Plan require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council's approval of the D&M Plan on October 31, 2013. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

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,

Melanie Bachman  
Acting Executive Director

MB/FOC

c: Parties and Intervenor  
The Honorable Carmen L. Vance, First Selectman, Columbia Town Hall  
Jonathan Luiz, Town Administrator, Columbia Town Hall

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**From:** john.morissette@nu.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 02, 2014 8:45 AM  
**To:** CSC-DL Siting Council  
**Cc:** Cunliffe, Fred; Bachman, Melanie  
**Subject:** Docket 424 - Interstate Reliability Project

Good morning Melanie and Fred:

CL&P hereby requests Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff approval of a Development and Management (D&M) Plan Change as described below or, alternatively, staff acknowledgement that prior approval is not needed pursuant to Sections 4 and 7.2 of the Interstate Reliability Project (Project) D&M Plan for Modifications to the Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation and the D&M Plan for the New 345-kV Transmission Line and Related Minor Modifications to Adjacent Lines.

As approved by the Council, D&M Plan Volume 3, Mapsheet 5 depicts the work pad and associated "limits of disturbance" (grading) associated with the installation of Structure 6538A, the new 69-kV structure that will be added to CL&P's existing 800/900 Line to eliminate a long span. However, as shown on Mapsheet 5, the "vegetation clearing limits for construction" extend through the center of the Structure 6538A work pad, instead of following the "limits of disturbance" line. CL&P proposes to correct the "vegetation clearing limits for construction" line to correspond to the "limits of disturbance" on Mapsheet 5. The entire Structure 6538A work pad and associated limits of disturbance are within CL&P's existing managed ROW. Thus, clearing activities in this area will involve principally mowing and shrubland / small tree type clearing.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to e-mail me or call me at 860-728-4532.

Thank you  
John

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