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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 the height of two structures in Mansfield. Following review of information from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), CL&P determined that two additional transmission line structures could receive FAA Notices of Presumed Hazard, which would require lighting or marking. CL&P proposes to decrease the height of the 3271 Line Structure 80 and the 330 Line Structure 9079, located west of Hawthorne Lane. The height of each structure will be decreased by approximately eight feet to avoid the potential need for aviation warning markings on the structures.

This approval applies only to the decrease in height of two transmission line structures in Mansfield provided in a request dated September 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

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- c: Parties and Intervenors
The Honorable Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor, Town of Mansfield
Matthew W. Hart, Town Manager, Town of Mansfield
Linda M. Painter, Director of Planning and Development, Town of Mansfield