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Mr. Daniel Caruso
Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket No. D&M Plans - D&M Plans

Dear Mr. Caruso:

This letter provides the response to requests for the information listed below.

Response to CSC-07 Interrogatories dated 10/20/2006
CSC-001, 002, 004, 005

Very truly yours,

Anne Bartosewicz
Project Director
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As Agent for CL&P

cc: Service List

The Connecticut Light and Power Company
Docket No. D&M Plans

Data Request CSC-07
Dated: 10/20/2006
Q-CSC-001
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Witness: NO WITNESS
Request from: Connecticut Siting Council

Question:
Provide the size and characterize the quality of the wetlands that are within the substation parcel.

Response:
There are two wetlands within the substation parcel, sized .02 acres and .8 acres in area. Both wetlands are aquents wetlands in previously disturbed areas where two or more feet of the original soil surface has been filled or excavated. They are characterized by a seasonal to prolonged high groundwater table, and either support or are capable of supporting wetland vegetation. Vegetation includes sparse mixed hardwoods and a sparse shrub understory with few wetland plants and some vines. These wetlands are not high quality wetlands because of the previous filling and excavating activities.

The Connecticut Light and Power Company
Docket No. D&M Plans

Data Request CSC-07
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Q-CSC-002
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Witness: NO WITNESS
Request from: Connecticut Siting Council

Question:
How many acres is the parcel on which the substation will be located? How many acres will be permanently disturbed for the location of the substation?

Response:
The parcel on which the substation will be located is 20.36 acres. The portion that will be permanently disturbed for the location of the substation is 14.2 acres.

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Data Request CSC-07
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Witness: NO WITNESS
Request from: Connecticut Siting Council

Question:
Has CL&P tested soils at the substation parcel for trichloroethylene (TCE) as recommended by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection in the Docket 272 record? If not, would this be completed prior to construction?

Response:
The Connecticut Light & Power Company (CL&P) met with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP) in the fall of 2005 to discuss the East Devon Substation site and the contamination in the area. As a result of that meeting, CL&P developed a supplemental soil sampling plan for the site, which was approved by the CTDEP in February, 2006. This sampling plan only included testing the Substation site for arsenic because there was no evidence of TCE in soil and/or groundwater from samples taken on the site by the previous owner's representative. The soil sampling was completed in February/March, 2006 and a Site Investigation Report was sent to CTDEP in March 2006 to document the Substation site conditions. On July 21, 2006, CTDEP approved the report, and classified the arsenic concentrations as "background" with reuse on-site.

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Witness: NO WITNESS
Request from: Connecticut Siting Council

Question:
Has CL&P received a coastal permit from the Office of Long Island Sound Programs as ordered in the Council's Decision and Order # 18b?

Response:
No, CL&P has not yet received the Coastal Permit for the East Devon Substation from the City of Milford. The City of Milford has been authorized by the DEP Office of Long Island Sound Programs to administer its Coastal Area Management Permit within the City of Milford. CL&P had a pre-filing consultation with the Milford City Planner on October 10, 2006. CL&P intends to submit the Permit Application to the Milford Planning and Zoning Board in early November.