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Daniel F. Caruso

Chairman

October 26, 2006

TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of a New 345-kV Electric Transmission Line and Associated Facilities Between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut Including the Reconstruction of Portions of Existing 115-kV and 345-kV Electric Transmission Lines, the Construction of the Beseck Switching Station in Wallingford, East Devon Substation in Milford, and Singer Substation in Bridgeport, Modifications at Scovill Rock Switching Station and Norwalk Substation and the Reconfiguration of Certain Interconnections. Development and Management Plan for United Illuminating - Underground Installation of 345-kV transmission cable between Singer Substation, Bridgeport and West bank of the Housatonic River, Stratford. **Amendment to the Certificate - Proposed Route Change in the City of Norwalk.**

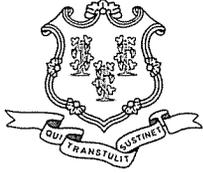
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Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing.

SDP/laf

Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State  
Robert L. Marconi, Assistant Attorney General  
Parties and Intervenors  
Application Service Recipients  
Ginger Teubner, DPUC



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### HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m(b)(1) and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, beginning at 3:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., in Brien McMahon High School Auditorium, 300 Highland Avenue, Norwalk, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on the proposed Amendment to the Certificate regarding route changes in the City of Norwalk submitted in context to The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of a New 345-kV Electric Transmission Line and Associated Facilities Between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut. The proposed modification is an underground route starting at the intersection of North Street and Main Street in the City of Norwalk following Route 123 to Ohio Avenue turning southwest across Northeast Utilities property to Grand Street then connecting to New Canaan Avenue to the Norwalk Substation. This replaces the Cross Street-Belden Avenue-Riverside Avenue to Norwalk Substation route that included two crossings underneath the Norwalk River. This project would be constructed, operated, and maintained by the Connecticut Light and Power Company.

This hearing is being convened pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m(b)(1) to hear evidence to consider whether the change to be authorized in the facility would result in any material increase in any environmental impact of such facility or would result in a substantial change in the location of all or a portion of the facility. Specifically, the Council will consider a route modification, which would extend for approximately 5,800 feet, and would replace approximately 7,200 feet of the approved route. The modifications in the route of the transmission line in the City of Norwalk do not conform to the Council's April 7, 2005 Decision and Order and are a result of discussions with the City of Norwalk.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed route deviations in Norwalk on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The 3:00 p.m. hearing session will provide the applicant, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The applicant will be allowed a final rebuttal. Arguments will be entertained in writing after the close of the last hearing session. The 7:00 p.m. hearing session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-

examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1 through 16-50v-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council requests that all testimony and exhibits are to be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by November 22, 2006. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators.

Individuals will be encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, on or before November 22, 2006.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and comments within 30 days after the close of the hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council at the hearing or any time up to 15 days thereafter. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 15 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the City Clerk's Office of the Norwalk City Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by November 17, 2006.

The applicant of this facility is represented by the following:

**Applicant\***

The Connecticut Light and Power Company

**Its Representative**

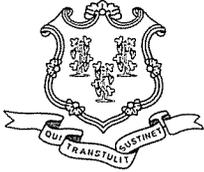
Anthony M. Fitzgerald, Esq.  
Brian T. Henebry, Esq.  
Carmody & Torrance LLP  
50 Leavenworth St., P.O. Box 1110  
Waterbury, CT 06721-1110

\* The United Illuminating Company is a co-applicant for this Certificate; however, the subject of this hearing is on a section owned and controlled by the Connecticut Light and Power Company.

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935. The Council has assigned this application docket no. 272 (Proposed Amendment to the Certificate).

October 16, 2006

Connecticut Siting Council



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**NOTICE OF SERVICE**

I hereby affirm that a photocopy of this document was sent to each Party and Intervenor on the service list dated October 13, 2006.

Dated: October 27, 2006

Lisa Fontaine  
Custodian of Docket No. 272



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TO: Commissioner Gina McCarthy  
Department of Environmental Protection

Commissioner J. Robert Galvin  
Department of Public Health

Mr. Karl Wagener, Executive Director  
Council on Environmental Quality

Commissioner Donald W. Downes, Chairman  
Department of Public Utility Control

Robert Genuario, Secretary  
Office of Policy and Management

Commissioner James F. Abromaitis  
Department of Economic and Community Development

Arthur W. Gruhn, P.E.  
Chief Engineer, Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations  
Department of Transportation

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of a New 345-kV Electric Transmission Line and Associated Facilities Between Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut Including the Reconstruction of Portions of Existing 115-kV and 345-kV Electric Transmission Lines, the Construction of the Beseck Switching Station in Wallingford, East Devon Substation in Milford, and Singer Substation in Bridgeport, Modifications at Scovill Rock Switching Station and Norwalk Substation and the Reconfiguration of Certain Interconnections. Development and Management Plan for United Illuminating - Underground Installation of 345-kV transmission cable between Singer Substation, Bridgeport and West bank of the Housatonic River, Stratford. **Amendment to the Certificate – Proposed Route Change in the City of Norwalk.**

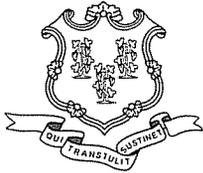
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Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50j(h), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments and consultation. Your response by or before November 22, 2006, will be appreciated. A copy of the proposed amendment filing is enclosed for your review.

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Enclosure

c: Parties & Intervenors  
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### Screening Checklist

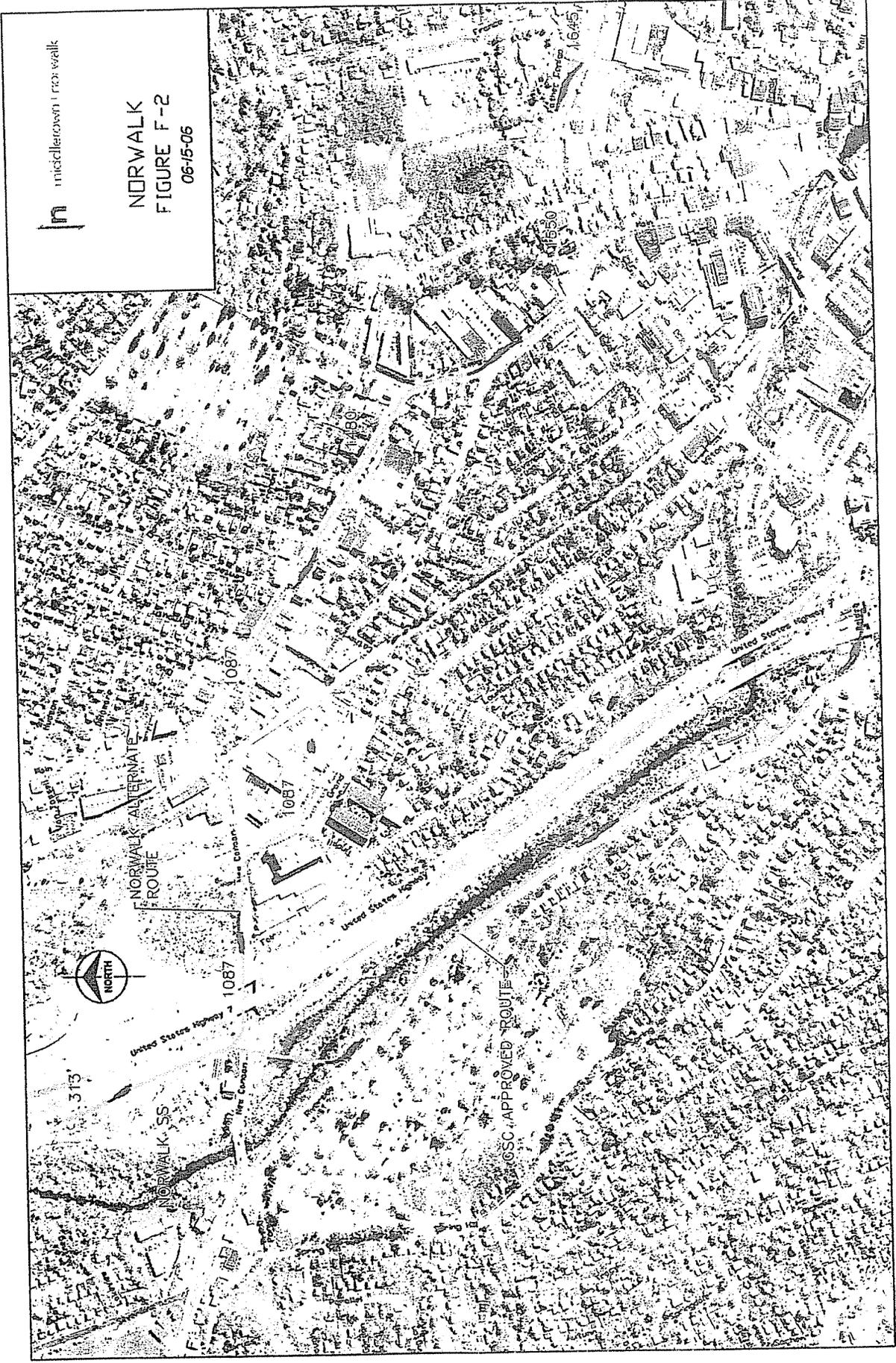
#### Connecticut Department of Transportation

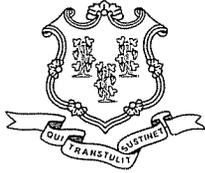
#### Potential Transportation Infrastructure Impacts

#### Connecticut Siting Council Docket# 272

#### Location: Norwalk, CT

1. Is the proposed facility abutting the right-of-way of a State maintained highway?  
 ~~No~~  
 Yes – Specify the location and show location on a detail site plan.
  
2. Is access for construction or maintenance of the proposed facility needed directly from a State maintained highway  
 ~~No~~  
 Yes – Identify specific needs and access location.
  
3. Does the proposed construction or maintenance of the proposed facility impact any licensed aviation facility (L.A.F.)? Definition: L.A.F. is a facility licensed to operate by DOT, airport, heliport or parachute coop area.  
 ~~No~~  
 Yes – Please provide an area and site plan.
  
4. Is the proposed facility within or abutting a State owned Railroad Right-of-Way?  
 ~~No~~  
 Yes – Please provide an area and site plan.





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Michelle Ahern  
Brien McMahon High School  
300 Highland Avenue  
Norwalk, CT 06854

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Dear Ms. Ahern:

Confirming our telephone conversation, I appreciate the reservation of the Auditorium at the Brien McMahon High School for a public hearing on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

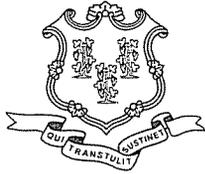
If any other information is needed, please contact me at my office. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Lisa A. Fontaine  
Administrative Assistant

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### Seating Arrangements:

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Council Table  
(seating for twelve)  
(x = chairs)

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X  
Table for  
Court Reporter  
(x = chairs)

Applicant Table  
(x = chairs)

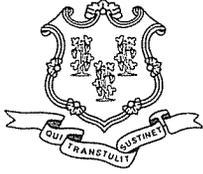
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Party Table  
(seating for three)  
(x = chairs)

X X X

Podium for public

SEATING FOR PUBLIC  
(chairs facing Council table)



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TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor  
**272061129**  
Norwalk Hour  
346 Main Avenue  
Norwalk, CT 06851

Classified/Legal Supervisor  
**272061129**  
The Connecticut Post  
410 State Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Classified/Legal Supervisor  
**272061129**  
The Stamford Advocate  
Southern Connecticut Newspaper, Inc.  
75 Tresser Blvd., P.O. Box 9307  
Stamford, CT 06904-9307

FROM Lisa A. Fontaine, Administrative Assistant

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Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice, except on Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

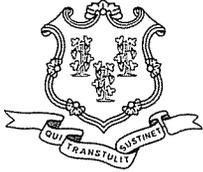
Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than **TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE**. If you have any questions

concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council  
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Ruth Girolomo  
Post Reporting Service, Inc.  
2015 Dixwell Avenue  
Hamden, CT 06514

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Dear Ms. Girolomo:

Your attendance will be required at a hearing of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) regarding the subject docket on:

**Wednesday, November 29, 2006**  
**3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m./continuing at 7:00 p.m.**  
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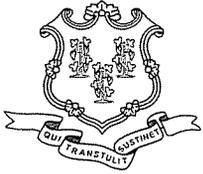
The Council will require delivery of the complete transcript, an original and one copy, within one week of the hearing. I am enclosing a copy the proposed amendment submission and a copy of our hearing notice for your convenience. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me.

Very truly yours,

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Joseph Reese  
Tech Theatrical Services, LLC  
98 Knight Street  
Watertown, CT 06795

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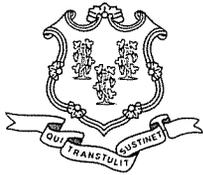
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The Honorable Richard Moccia  
Mayor  
City of Norwalk  
City Hall  
125 East Avenue  
P. O. Box 5125

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Dear Mayor Moccia: *Dick*

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) scheduled a public hearing in your city in connection with the above-referenced proceeding scheduled on Wednesday, November 29, 2006. Because of the nature of this filing, the Council has concluded that a public hearing is appropriate. I am writing to invite you to participate in this hearing.

Please be advised that the Council's processes enable municipal governments to engage in meaningful discourse and, if they choose, to even assert a legal role in the proceedings of applications that come before the Council. Your participation at such hearing may take many forms; municipal officials may make opening statements to the Council, present written documents, or may seek Party or Intervenor Status and put on a case with witnesses.

Our staff is available to assist you in understanding our process and your options. If you have questions, please contact Executive Director S. Derek Phelps (860 827-2935). In the event you have legal questions, please contact our Assistant Attorney General Robert Marconi (860 827-2682).

The Council weighs many issues before rendering its decisions. It is important that we know the Town's views as part of that decision making process. We hope you will take part in our hearing process.

Sincerely,

Daniel F. Caruso  
Chairman

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