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May 19, 2014

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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:

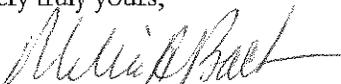
Pursuant to a decision made in accordance with R.C.S.A. §16-50j-62 (b) at public meetings of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on October 17, 2013 and October 31, 2013, and in response to your email of May 16, 2014, Council staff hereby approves changes to the Development and Management (D&M) Plans to allow construction activities associated with the above project to occur on Sunday, June 22, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. along CL&P's right-of-way between Card Street Substation and Lake Road Switching Station and at Card Street Substation. Construction hours in the Hawthorne Lane area in Mansfield will occur between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 22, 2014. The Sunday work hours are necessary to facilitate construction activities during a CONVEX-approved outage in June.

This approval applies only to the Sunday, June 22, 2014 work hours proposed in your email request on May 16, 2014. Any additional changes to the D&M Plans require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council's approval of the D&M Plans on October 17, 2013 and 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/CMW

c: Parties and Intervenors
The Honorable Rich Ives, First Selectman, Town of Brooklyn
Jana Butts Roberson, AICP, Land Use Administrator, Town of Brooklyn

The Honorable William H. Rose, IV, First Selectman, Town of Chaplin
Jay Gigliotti, Zoning Agent, Town of Chaplin
The Honorable Carmen L. Vance, First Selectman, Town of Columbia
Jonathan Luiz, Town Administrator, Town of Columbia
Paula Stahl, Town Planner, Town of Columbia
The Honorable Jeffrey A. Shorts, Council Chairman, Town of Coventry
John Elsesser, Town Manager, Town of Coventry
Eric M. Trott, Director of Planning and Development, Town of Coventry
The Honorable Allan Cahill, First Selectman, Town of Hampton
Martha Fraenkel, Zoning Enforcement Official, Town of Hampton
The Honorable John Hallbergh, Council Chairman, Killingly Town Hall
Sean Hendricks, Town Manager, Town of Killingly
Linda E. Walden, Director of Planning and Development, Town of Killingly
The Honorable Joyce Okunuk, First Selectman, Town of Lebanon
Philip Chester, AICP, Town Planner, Town of Lebanon
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
The Honorable Maureen Nicholson, First Selectman, Town of Pomfret
Walter P. Hinchman, Planning and Zoning Chairman, Town of Pomfret
The Honorable Tony Falzarano, Mayor, Town of Putnam
Douglas Cutler, Town Administrator, Town of Putnam
Gerard Cotnoir, Planning Chairman, Town of Putnam
The Honorable Ernest Eldridge, Mayor, Town of Windham
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From: john.morissette@nu.com
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2014 12:18 PM
To: CSC-DL Siting Council
Cc: Bachman, Melanie; Walsh, Christina
Subject: Docket 424 - Sunday Work Hours

CL&P requests the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) staff approval of a Development and Management (D&M) Plan Change for extended Sunday work hours described below. This extended work hour request is submitted 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 modified by the CSC pursuant to correspondence dated May 1, 2014, Section 4.2 of both the Substation and Transmission Line D&M Plans describes typical work hours as follows:

"Construction work hours will typically consist of a period between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM, six days a week (Monday through Saturday). ... However, certain activities, such as those that must be performed during The Connecticut Valley Exchange (CONVEX) - approved equipment outages and for additions and modifications within the station control enclosures, will involve work during non-typical hours, in some cases on a continuous (24-hour) basis and/or on Sundays. The performance of these activities during non-typical work hours will be critical for completing the required work within the allowed outage durations."

Section 4.1 of the D&M Plan for the new 345-kV Transmission Line and Related Minor Modifications to Adjacent Lines further explains that outages will be required on some of the existing transmission and distribution lines that occupy the Project rights-of-way (ROWs), and explains that such outages are expected to occur between the first quarter of 2014 and the last quarter of 2015.

CONVEX has now approved specific outages for the Project work.

Accordingly, CL&P seeks Council staff approval for work on Sundays during the following CONVEX-approved outage periods in June:

1. OUTAGE - June 20-22, 2014: This is an outage on CL&P's existing 330 Line, which is situated adjacent to the new 345-kV transmission line between Card Street Substation and Lake Road Switching Station. During this outage, extended work hours will be required for work from 7 AM to 7 PM on Sunday, June 22, except as noted below for the Hawthorne Lane area.

Hawthorne Lane ROW Shift Work. During this outage, PAR, and its subcontractor Tri-State Drilling, will install foundations for the new structures on the 330 Line in the Hawthorne Lane area (Town of Mansfield; in the D&M Plan, this area is referred to the Hawthorne Lane Shift). This work will take place in/around the Hawthorne Lane cul-de-sac. Work will include drilling, setting rebar cages, and pouring concrete. There will be several pieces of equipment in the area including cranes, concrete trucks, and drill rigs. *In recognition of the presence of residences in the Hawthorne Lane area, construction activities will commence at 8 AM to 7 PM on Sunday.*

Guy and Ground Wire Modification Work. In addition to the work in the Hawthorne Lane vicinity, during this outage, PAR will perform guy and ground wire modifications at certain other locations along the existing 330 Line in the Towns of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, and Mansfield. The majority of this work is expected to occur during normal work days and work hours (7 AM - 7 PM). However, to perform these activities, work will also be required from 7 AM to 7 PM on Sunday, June 22. Because the guy and ground wire modifications will be conducted at a number of existing structures along the ROW within the above-referenced towns, the exact structures at which work will have to be performed on June 22 cannot be determined at this time. However, CL&P's Public Outreach team will make proper notifications to the Towns and abutters once these exact locations are determined.

2. OUTAGE - June 16 - 28, 2014: This is a planned outage inside Card Street Substation (Town of Lebanon). During this outage, extended work hours will be required on Sunday June 22, from 7 AM to 7 PM. The scope of work during this

outage will be to install a new circuit breaker on the existing ring bus at Card Street Substation. All work will be confined to the substation and will include above-grade electrical work and below-grade civil work for new foundations. Equipment to be used will consist of drill rigs, concrete trucks, cranes, and aerial man-lifts. CL&P's Public Outreach team will inform the Town of Lebanon and abutters of the outage-related work on Sunday.

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

Thank you
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