

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



July 31, 2007

Mr. William G. Carter
Managing Director
Tamarack Energy, Inc.
35 Pratt Street, Suite 101
Essex, CT 06426

Re: Request for Power Line Transmission Right of Way – Watertown
DEP File Number: A-07-41

Dear Mr. Carter:

By this correspondence I would like to provide Tamarack Energy with the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) current perspective on the proposed acquisition of a permanent right of way easement over a section of Mattatuck State Forest.

According to your letter of May 25, 2007, Tamarack Energy is developing a 30 MW waste wood power project in Watertown and the power that is generated will be delivered to the existing CL&P transmission lines that pass just north of your property, through the Mattatuck State Forest. The most direct and efficient route for your interconnection line would run nearly due north through an existing trail through the forest.

Several divisions within our Agency have reviewed your request and have concluded that we would be willing to grant the right of way as long as it has as minimal impact as possible on the forest. Some of the conditions that must be met for the right of way to be granted include the following:

- 1) The transmission lines must be buried within the right of way area in order to create an unobstructed meadow. This would provide a more scenic landscape and reduce the impact on wildlife in the area.
- 2) Any cleared areas beyond the existing trail must be replanted with a species that is beneficial to wildlife.
- 3) The State will require an annual payment as compensation for the right of way. The annual payment will be negotiated based on an appraisal determining the value of the right of way.
- 4) The State must be compensated for the value of the timber removed.
- 5) All costs associated with granting the right of way easement including, but not limited to, site surveys, appraisals, title work, etc. will be borne by Tamarack Energy, Inc.

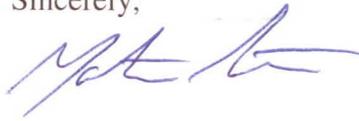
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I hope this provides you with additional clarification of the Department's current position on the proposed right of way easement. DEP staff is committed to continue to work with you to ensure that the granting of a right of way easement is both procedurally sound and fair.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Starr", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew Starr
Property Agent

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cc: Elizabeth Brothers