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February 27, 2012

TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 424** - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a 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.

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

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Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail service)
Melanie A. Bachman, Staff Attorney
Parties and Intervenors
Application Service Recipients
Ginger Teubner, PURA (via e-mail service)

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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct the following public hearing sessions and thereafter as necessary on the application by The Connecticut Light & Power Company for a 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. The scheduled public comment hearing dates and locations are as follows:

Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon 06249

Thursday, April 19, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn, CT 06234

Tuesday, April 24, 2012
Beginning at 7:00 p.m.
Mansfield Middle School Auditorium
205 Spring Hill Road, Storrs, CT 06268

The Council will conduct a public field review (bus tour) driving roads near and/or crossing portions of the proposed route prior to each public comment hearing beginning at 2:00 p.m. The bus tour on April 18, 2012 will begin at 23 Goshen Hill Road in Lebanon and continue to the Card Street Substation on Card Street in Lebanon, then traverse roadways near the proposed route, navigating through the towns of Lebanon, Columbia, Hampton, and the western portion of Brooklyn. The bus tour scheduled for April 19, 2012 will begin at 69 South Main Street in Brooklyn, and continue to the proposed route, navigating through the towns of Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, and Thompson. The final bus tour scheduled for April 24, 2012 will begin at 205 Spring Hill Road in Mansfield and continue to the proposed route, traversing nearby roadways, navigating through the towns of Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, and Hampton.

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Please contact Lisa Fontaine of the Council staff at 860-827-2969 if you would like to attend any or all of these bus tours.

The purpose of the evening hearing sessions is for the public to make brief statements into the record.

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-la of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Wednesday, March 21, 2012 beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Council's office, Hearing Room Two, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council requests that all testimony and exhibits are to be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors two weeks before the commencement of evidentiary hearing sessions. Evidentiary hearing sessions have been scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 1, 2012; and continue on Thursday, May 3, 2012; Tuesday, May 22, 2012; and Wednesday, May 23, 2012, and thereafter as necessary, at the Central Connecticut State University, Institute of Technology and Business Development, Room 3130000, 185 Main Street, New Britain, Connecticut. Directions and parking information can be found at http://web.ccsu.edu/itbd/directions/default.htm. 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, two weeks prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing sessions.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the final evidentiary hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council at the hearings or any time up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary hearing sessions. 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 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

For the convenience of the public a verbatim transcript of the hearing sessions will be made and deposited with the Town Halls of the 12 municipalities: Brooklyn, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Hampton, Killingly, Lebanon, Mansfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by April 3, 2012. The applicant for the proceeding is represented by the following:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company (Applicant)	Anthony M. Fitzgerald, Esq. Carmody & Torrance LLP P.O. Box 1950 New Haven, CT 06509

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's website www.ct.gov/csc or at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935, or on Council website at http://www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Proceedings." The Council has assigned this application docket no. 424.

For the convenience of the public, copies of the application are available in the town clerk's offices in each of the 12 municipalities.

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LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS
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Party (if granted 03/01/12)	☒ U.S. Mail	EquiPower Resources Corp., Lake Road Generating Company LP, and Milford Power Company LLP (collectively, EquiPower)	Robert McKay Senior Vice President & General Counsel EquiPower Resources Corp. 100 Constitution Plaza, 10th Floor Hartford, CT 06103 (860) 656-0814 rmckay@eqpwr.com