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Robert Stein, Chairman Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re:

Docket 370A-MR

Final Report

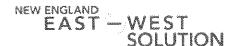
Manchester to Meekville Junction Project

Dear Chairman Stein:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P") hereby provides its Final Report for the Manchester to Meekville Junction Project ("Project") in accordance with the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RSCA), Section 16-50j-62(c); the Connecticut Siting Council's ("Council") Decision and Order; and the Council's approval of the Development and Management Plan ("D&M") on January 24, 2011 and revisions to the D&M Plan on December 15, 2011.

Pursuant RSCA Section 16-50j-62(c), the Final Report identifies the following:

- 1. all agreements with abutters or other property owners regarding special maintenance precautions;
- 2. significant changes of the D&M plan that were required because of the property rights of underlying and adjoining property owners or for other reasons;
- 3. the location of construction materials which have been left in place in including, but not limited to, culverts, erosion control structures along watercourses and steep slopes, and corduroy roads in regulated wetlands;
- 4. the location of areas where special planting and reseeding have been done, and



- 5. the actual construction cost of the facility including, but not limited to, the following costs:
  - a. clearing and access;
  - b. construction of the facility and associated equipment;
  - c. rehabilitation; and
  - d. property acquisition for the site or access to the site.

# 1. Special Maintenance Precautions with Abutters and Other Property Owners

CL&P entered into real estate easement agreements with property owners for use of private properties. Special maintenance precautions established beyond these standard agreements are as follows:

Line List	Name	Agreement Type	Specifics
Number			
25004	Hockanum River Linear	Herbicide	Use of herbicides and
	Park Committee	Agreement	modification of application
			methods during times of the
			year when non-target
			species are dormant and
			not susceptible to herbicide
			damage, such as in the
			winter treatment period
25004	Hockanum River Linear	Restoration Seed	Use of the preferred
	Park Committee	Mix	wetland conservation seed
			mix in wetland areas
25004	Hockanum River Linear	Gate installation	To install gates with
	Park Committee		combination locks within
			the access road on both
			sides of Middle Turnpike
			allow CL&P and
			Manchester emergency
			responders to access the
	i		right-of-way and to deter
			motorized vehicles from
			access
25032.01	JC Penny Properties	Permanent Access	CL&P shall have the right
		Agreement	to "erect fences and gates
			within the Access Area or, if
			reasonably necessary, in
			the vicinity of the Access
			Area"

### 2. Significant Changes of the D&M Plan

The Council approved a number of CL&P requests for temporary work-hour extensions during the course of construction and the following significant changes to the D&M Plan:

On October 14, 2011, CL&P asked the Council to approve a material staging site at 753 Nutmeg Road, South Windsor, CT. The Council approved the staging site on October 18, 2011.

On November 14, 2011, CL&P asked the Council to approve a material staging site at 595 Nutmeg Road, South Windsor, CT. The Council approved the staging site on November 21, 2011.

On November 10, 2011, CL&P asked the Council to approve the location of a proposed staging area at 1016 Windham Road, South Windham, Connecticut. The Council approved the staging area on November 21, 2011.

On November 30, 2011, CL&P asked the Council to approve three conductor pulling sites, and a new 115-kV line-angle structure (#6275A) to be located east of Meekville Junction and in the center of the transmission line right-of-way. The Council approved these changes on December 15, 2011.

On April 2, 2012, CL&P asked the Council to approve the use of implosive connectors. The Council approved the Project's use of implosive conductors on April 12, 2012.

On September 12, 2012 CL&P asked the Council to approve additional conductor pulling sites near Meekville Junction in Manchester. The Council approved the conductor pulling sites on September 12, 2012.

#### 3. <u>Location of Construction Materials</u>

Per CL&P's earlier notification to Council Staff, some crane pads and roads have been left in place for future access to the structures to perform maintenance or emergency repairs. Specific information regarding culverts, erosion control structures along watercourses and steep slopes, and corduroy roads in regulated wetlands is provided below.

D&M Plan Sheet Number	Construction Material Left in Place	Location
2 of 5	Riprap swale and associated primary and secondary infiltration basin collecting runoff from the steep slope	Installed on the slope west of Structures 6281 Left and Right and between the structures, south of Tolland Turnpike
3 of 5	25 feet of entrance stone, anti- tracking pad	Off of Burnham Street access up to the CL&P gate

### 4. Location of Areas of Special Plantings

CL&P provided 26 blueberry bushes to the Hockanum River Association (HRA) for planting along the trails in the right-of-way at locations to be determined by HRA.

# 5. Actual Construction Cost of the Facility

The actual construction cost for the Project is as follows:

Cost Categories		Total (in \$1000)	
Clearing and Access	\$	3,042	
Overhead Construction	\$	19,749	
Substation Construction	\$	4,838	
ROW Rehabilitation	\$	875	
Property Rights Acquisitions	\$	296	
Total	\$	28,800	

Please contact me at 860-665-6774 with any questions you or Council members may have on this final report.

Sincerely,

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