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December 30, 2011

The Honorable Denise L. Nappier
State Treasurer
Office of the Treasurer
55 Elm Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

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.

Dear Ms. Nappier:

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50bb, please be advised that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the sum of \$25,000 as payment to the Municipal Participation Account in connection with the above-referenced proceeding. This payment was received on December 23, 2011, and was deposited into your department account (OTT14420) in fund 12060 – "Other Restricted Revenue".

Subsection (b) of C.G.S. § 16-50bb states, in part, that "[p]ayments from the account shall be made upon authorization by the State Treasurer..." and provides guidance in the event an application involves more than one municipality. To that end, please note that the above-referenced proceeding required notice be sent to twelve municipalities.

A list of these municipalities is enclosed herewith for your review. Any or all of the municipalities listed may apply for a portion of the Fund if they become a participant in this proceeding. Proof of municipal expenditures is required to be submitted to the Office of the State Treasurer.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If I may be of further service to you in this or any other matter, I hope you will not hesitate to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

LR/CMW/laf

c: Robert Stein, Chairman
Parties and Intervenors
The Honorable Austin Tanner, First Selectman, Brooklyn Town Hall



The Honorable William Rose, First Selectman, Chaplin Town Hall
The Honorable Carmen L. Vance, First Selectman, Columbia Town Hall
Jonathan Luiz, Town Administrator, Columbia Town Hall
The Honorable Elizabeth Woolf, Council Chairman, Coventry Town Hall
John Elsesser, Town Manager, Coventry Town Hall
The Honorable Allan Cahill, First Selectman, Hampton Town Hall
The Honorable Dennis Alemian, Council Chairman, Killingly Town Hall
Bruce Benway, Town Manager, Killingly Town Hall
The Honorable Joyce Okonuk, First Selectman, Lebanon Town Hall
The Honorable Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor, Town of Mansfield
Mathew Hart, Town Manager, Town of Mansfield
The Honorable James Rivers, First Selectman, Pomfret Town Hall
The Honorable Richard Place, Mayor, Putnam Town Hall
The Honorable Lawrence Groh, Jr., First Selectman, Thompson Town Hall
The Honorable Ernest Eldridge, Mayor, Windham Town Hall
Neel Beets, Town Manager, Windham Town Hall

Enc.: Municipal Fund Procedures

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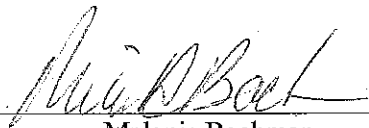
COUNTY OF HARTFORD)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct listing of the municipalities affected by an application presented by The Connecticut Light and Power Company on December 23, 2011. This application described by the applicants as the "Interstate Reliability Project" has been issued Docket Number 424 by the Council.

(The list below includes the municipalities in which the proposed application will affect and municipalities within 2,500 feet of proposed application.)

(Brooklyn, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Hampton, Killingly, Lebanon, Mansfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, Windham)

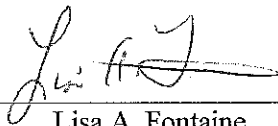
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Melanie Bachman
Staff Attorney 2
Connecticut Siting Council

I certify that a copy of this correspondence in Docket No. 424 has been forwarded by Certified First Class Return Receipt Requested mail on December 30, 2011, to all parties and intervenors of record as listed on the attached service list, dated December 30, 2011.

ATTEST:



Lisa A. Fontaine
Fiscal Administrative Officer
Connecticut Siting Council

MUNICIPAL FUND PROCEDURES

Sec. 16-50bb. Municipal participation account. (a) There is established an account to be known as the "municipal participation account", within the General Fund, which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account. There shall be deposited in the account the municipal participation fees received pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of section 16-50i. The interest derived from the investment of the account shall be credited to the account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.

(b) Payments from the account shall be made upon authorization by the State Treasurer not later than sixty days after receipt of an application for a proposed facility, except for a facility described in subdivisions (5) and (6) of subsection (a) of section 16-50i, to each municipality entitled to receive a copy of such application under section 16-50i in order to defray expenses incurred by such municipalities in participating as a party to a certification proceeding, except for a proceeding on an application for a facility described in subdivision (5) or (6) of subsection (a) of section 16-50i. Any moneys remaining at the end of such proceeding shall be refunded to the applicant in even amounts. Where more than one municipality seeks moneys from such account, the council shall evenly distribute such moneys among the municipalities. No municipality may receive moneys from the account in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars. No municipality may receive moneys from the account in excess of the dollar amount such municipality has expended from its own municipal funds. A municipality that has received moneys from the account in excess of the costs it incurred in participating in the certification proceeding, as determined by the council, shall refund such excess moneys to the account upon the conclusion of such proceeding.

(c) In administering the moneys in the account, the State Treasurer shall verify that the subject municipality (1) actually participated as a party to the subject certification proceeding, and (2) actually spent the money it claims to have spent on participating in the subject certification proceeding.

- 1) Upon receipt of a municipal participation fund check, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) deposits the money into the Office of the State Treasurer. The Council then submits a letter to the Office of the State Treasurer, alerting them to the deposit of the funds and stating which towns are eligible to receive disbursements from said fund. This letter is also sent to the affected municipalities and the applicant.
- 2) The municipalities can submit their receipts either in bulk or periodically up to 30 days following the receipt of Council letter specified in #3 below.
- 3) Since municipalities must have been a party to the proceeding to receive any portion of the fund, when a final decision on the proceeding is rendered, the Council will generate a letter to the Office of the State Treasurer with copies to the participating municipalities, stating the date of the final decision and the date to which listed participating parties must submit their receipts to the State Treasurer.
- 4) After the cut off date for final submission of municipal receipts, the Office of the State Treasurer verifies participating municipalities entitled to receive funds and begins the process of payments to the municipality(ies) and/or the applicant. If more than one municipality requests reimbursement, the money will be divided evenly between said towns, unless receipts submitted do not add up to the amount to which they are eligible.

The Treasurer will only reimburse municipal expenditures based on receipts submitted. If one or more towns do not exceed the amount to which they are eligible, but another town does exceed their limit, the Treasurer will give the remaining unused portion of the fund to the town(s) whose expenses exceeded their eligible limit, but only after the cut off date for all receipts to be submitted has been reached (30 days after the final decision). (This is an interest-bearing account. Interest accrued may be disbursed among municipalities if eligible and if disbursement does not exceed \$25,000 per municipality. Otherwise, interest earned will remain in the account.)

- 5) Disbursement from the State Treasurer would be made to the municipality(ies) and/or applicant approximately 60 days after receipt of the Council letter to the Treasurer (as specified in #3 above) stating that the final decision on the proceeding has been rendered.