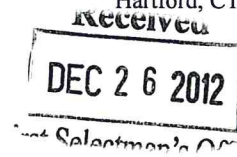




**Connecticut
Light & Power**

A Northeast Utilities Company

The Connecticut Light and Power Company
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December 20, 2012

Dear Neighbor,

This letter is to let you know that Connecticut Light & Power (CL&P) is filing a Petition with the Connecticut Siting Council (CSC) for approval to make substation and electric transmission line improvements on existing transmission rights-of-way in Bloomfield and Simsbury, Connecticut. We're notifying you because the proposed work would take place on the right-of-way that is on or bordering your property.

The transmission system in this area needs improvements for reliable operation. Please note that this work will not interrupt electric service to homes or businesses.

CL&P is proposing to make improvements to the Northeast Simsbury Substation on Hopmeadow Street, as well as upgrades to 2.6 miles of transmission line and related work between CL&P's North Bloomfield Substation on Tariffville Road and the Northeast Simsbury Substation.

If CL&P's Petition is approved and related permits are received, we expect to begin construction in the early spring of 2013. The schedule is subject to change due to weather and other unexpected circumstances. The construction work is likely to involve the following:

- Vegetation clearing and improvement of existing access roads;
- Expansion of the Northeast Simsbury Substation fence line, and the installation of new equipment;
- Preparations for setting up safe working conditions around structures and/or wire-pulling locations;
- Replacement of the transmission line;
- Modification or replacement of transmission structures, such as replacing cross-arms and braces;
- Addition of new lighting on two structures on CL&P property in the area of Talcott Mountain in Bloomfield, as determined by the Federal Aviation Administration; and
- Restoration of the areas once construction is completed.

The CSC decision on CL&P's Petition is expected within 60 days after it is filed, likely at the CSC's January or February regular meeting. Please refer to the CSC website for more details on the Petition review meeting time and location: <http://www.ct.gov/csc/site/default.asp>. If you would like to send comments or concerns regarding CL&P's Petition, please email them to the CSC at siting.council@ct.gov or via U.S. mail to: Connecticut Siting Council, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051.

Keeping the lines of communication open is an important part of our work in your community. If you have questions about this proposed work, please call the CL&P Transmission Information Line at 1-800-793-2202 or email us at TransmissionInfo@nu.com.

Sincerely,

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