

TOWN OF LEBANON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
RESOLUTION REGARDING A PROPOSAL BY
THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY
TO CONSTRUCT A 200 MEGAWATT PEAKING POWER PLANT
AT THE CARD STREET SUBSTATION

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Light and Power Company (“CL&P”) has submitted a proposal to the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (“DPUC”) to construct a diesel-fired 200 megawatt (“Mw”) peaking power plant (the “Project”) at the Card Street Substation on Card Street in Lebanon, Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, the Project would be located in an area zoned for Residential and Agriculture uses; and

WHEREAS, the Project would be in close proximity to several existing homes; and

WHEREAS, the Project is inconsistent with the Town of Lebanon’s Plan of Conservation and Development because, among other reasons, the subject parcel is designated as future open space; and

WHEREAS, Card Street is a narrow road and inadequate for regular use by heavy trucks, including large fuel delivery trucks; and

WHEREAS, the Project would be located in close proximity to valuable inland wetlands and watercourses, and the construction and operation of the Plant would threaten to pollute or degrade those important natural resources; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2008, an informational hearing was held to provide residents with an opportunity to comment on the Project; and

WHEREAS, upon ballot voting by registered voters of Lebanon present at the informational hearing, 283 voters opposed the project, 29 residents voted in support of the Project, and 22 attendees did not support or oppose the Project due to insufficient information.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the foregoing, the Board of Selectmen resolve to oppose the Project by all necessary and prudent measures, for the following reasons:

1. All available evidence indicates that the proposed site for the Project in Lebanon would be unsuitable from the standpoint of protection of residential safety, welfare and property values; and
2. All available evidence indicates that the proposed site for the Project in Lebanon would be unsuitable from the standpoint of protection of natural resources and potential open space assets.