



Town of Pownal  
Notice of Decision  
August 4, 2010

Central Maine Power Company  
Maine Power Reliability Program  
Attn: Richard C. Paquette, Jr. PWS  
400 Southborough Drive  
South Portland, ME 04106


This is to inform you that on August 4, 2010, the Pownal Board of Appeals conducted the second of two public hearings regarding your application for Special Exception. The Board of Appeals voted unanimously to grant this special exception to expand the Surowiec substation, and to make alterations on the incoming and outgoing service lines, with the following condition:

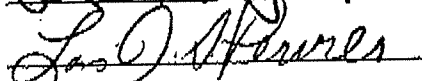
**Condition:** That the noise level of CMP property listed as Map 3 Lot 83 at residential lot lines meet the DEP standard for a quiet zone as of August 4, 2010, when the installation of the new reactors is complete.

***The following Findings of Fact were found:***


1. The Board of Appeals does have the authority to hear this appeal.
2. The Applicant is Central Maine Power Company and they have shown that they meet all ordinance requirements and have provided all the information needed for this hearing.
3. Statute does not prohibit this project; it is allowed under Special Exceptions.
4. The Board agrees on the merits of this project as listed under Section 6, Special Exceptions.
5. The Board of Appeals reviewed and agreed with the Planning Board site plan approval.
6. This site is an existing site and the property is not being altered.
7. This project has DEP approval.
8. Citizens complaint of noise was brought forth during open discussion. The Planning Board also tried to impose more restrictive DEP standards on noise levels. The Town has a site plan noise ordinance of 60 DBA. DEP Department Rule Chapter 375 states noise standards. DEP ruled CMP does not have to meet the DEP rule as noted in the DEP permit granted to CMP. CMP has agreed to make equipment changes in the substation that will meet the DEP noise standard rule. To support citizen and Planning Board concerns, the Board of Appeals has imposed a condition that allows the Town of Pownal to enforce the agreed upon DEP noise standards.

Date Signed: August 4, 2010

 Dick Hogue, Chair

 Lois Pervier, Vice Chair

 Phillip Wentworth, Member

 Thomas Hall, Member