

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

Minutes of Executive Session held by the Cape Light Compact Governing Board Revised 3/23/11

Date of meeting: February <u>9</u>, 2011 Time of Session- Start 3:32PM, End at 3:48PM

M Downey noted that the Compact had been authorized to intervene in the DPU case involving the proposed merger of NStar with Northeast Utilities (NU). In a telephone conversation with the consultant hired to represent the Compact on these issues (Resource Insight) the following decisions were developed for discussion with the Governing Board.

- 1. Need to emphasize that it is imperative that all provisions of Mass law and DPU regulation regarding Energy Efficiency program must remain in effect, insofar as they relate to Compact activities. Any deterioration of this program would have a devastating effect on our operations.
- 2. As far as the effect of the merger on the competitive supply market , there will not be an effect which we are currently concerned with the judgment is no impact.
- 3. Since utilities in the State of Connecticut are permitted to own and operate generation facilities, it is possible that those activities could impact customer costs in Mass. Financing cost associated with such activities should be charged and used for the benefit of Basic Service Customers only. We would have no objection of such sales were restricted to the wholesale market.

Barry R Worth Secretary