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TESTIMONY OF RICHARD A. SODERMAN  
THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY  
and YANKEE GAS SERVICES COMPANY  
Energy and Technology Committee—March 8, 2012

**S.B. No. 332 AN ACT CONCERNING UTILITY SERVICE TERMINATION AND THE  
APPOINTMENT OF A RECEIVER**

My name is Richard Soderman and I serve as Director of Legislative Policy for Northeast Utilities Service Company. I am appearing on behalf of the Connecticut Light and Power Company and Yankee Gas Services Company.

This bill proposes to permit utility termination on certain Fridays and to allow utility companies to seek appointment of a receiver for certain nursing home facilities. We support this bill because it provides for a fair means for customers to have sufficient opportunities, as approved by the PURA, for service restoration on Saturdays following a Friday disconnect. It also allows the ability to seek a receiver for non-payment at nursing homes. As a practical matter, it is very difficult to collect payment from these facilities when they become delinquent. Both of these actions should help reduce the costs borne by other customers.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this proposal.