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CL & P to Serve as Presenting Sponsor for Major Library Fundraiser

Hartford, Connecticut (April 22, 2013) – Hartford Public Library is delighted to announce that Connecticut Light & Power Company will serve as the presenting sponsor for the Library’s major annual fund-raising event, One Big Summer Night, to be held this year on Thursday, June 20, at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford.

For the fourth consecutive year, the power company will be a sponsor for the event, and 2013 marks the company’s third year as a presenting sponsor.

“We are thrilled to have Connecticut Light & Power as our presenting sponsor for One Big Summer Night again, and their support of the Library is a powerful endorsement of the work we do here,” said Library Chief Executive Officer Matthew K. Poland. “This event supports all the ways we work to assist our community with improved literacy and job skills, superior programming, and creating a center for learning that makes lives richer.”

This year’s gala event will feature Henry Winkler, the actor, director, producer, philanthropist and *New York Times* best-selling author who created the television classic character “the Fonz” on the popular series *Happy Days*.

The annual party is one of the most festive evenings of the Hartford summer, and proceeds from the evening event benefit the thousands of adults, children and families served by the Library.

President and Chief Operating Officer Bill Herdegen of CL & P said, “Public libraries are crucial resources for students and their success. We remain committed to support and help build strong communities, and that’s why we’re proud to partner with Hartford Public Library as presenting sponsor of One Big Summer Night.”

Tickets for the June 20 event are \$150 per person, and can be purchased online at www.hplct.org or by sending a check to Hartford Public Library, Development Office, 500 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06103-3075.

About Hartford Public Library

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 865,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. To learn more about the library, please see www.hplct.org.