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May 14, 2009

Jonathan Milley  
NRG Energy, Inc.  
Vice President, NE Region  
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RE: **DOCKET 370B** - NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50l(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Milley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than May 29, 2009. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office including an electronic filing in .pdf format. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. A list of parties and intervenors dated May 11, 2009, is enclosed. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Derek Phelps".

S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

Enclosure

c: Parties and Intervenors

Docket No. 370B  
Connecticut Siting Council  
Pre-hearing Questions

1. Has anything proposed in the original application changed since the application was approved in 1999?
2. Has anything in the area surrounding the Meriden site changed since the approval of the application in 1999 (incl. distance to nearest residences, number of fire departments in Meriden, change of land use, etc.)
3. Were all Council-approved elements of the Development and Management plans completed? If not, please explain.
4. What is the condition of the structures/equipment that have already been constructed or placed at the proposed site? Would maintenance have to be performed prior to operation of the facility? To what extent?
5. What regions does NRG intend to serve with the generation of power, through the 3754 transmission line (that would connect with the NRG plant)?
6. Would the operation of the Meriden Facility result in greater transmission capacity in north-central Connecticut?
7. Provide an updated aerial photograph showing what has been constructed on the site.
8. Provide a drawing of the proposed route for the natural gas pipeline to the Meriden plant.
9. Does NRG still assert that a dry-cooled system at the Meriden Facility would be economically infeasible? What is the difference in cost between a dry-cooled system and a wet-cooled system? [Docket 190 FOF #28]
10. Has NRG received all necessary permits for the completion of the proposed water pipeline and gas pipeline (incl. permission from Amtrak and the Connecticut DOT for directional boring under the railroad and under state and interstate roads)
11. Has NRG received permission from Algonquin to install the water pipeline on the gas transmission right-of-way?
12. What is the status of negotiations with Algonquin and Tennessee gas companies to provide a natural gas supply to the Meriden Facility?
13. Were wetland areas created following approval of the Meriden project? Have these wetlands been monitored to maintain quality? [Docket 190 FOF # 76] If so, provide documentation.
14. Since construction was not completed, were soil and erosion controls left in place to prevent sedimentation in vernal pool areas? How was this maintained?
15. Have air-emissions standards changed since the approval of the Meriden facility?

16. Would NO<sub>x</sub> offsets still be required for the facility? [Docket 190 FOF # 83]
17. Why was notification of this docket (Docket 370B), only provided to the City of Meriden as an abutting property owner? How has NRG notified all abutting landowners listed in the original application?
18. According to Tab D of the Docket 370B application, public notice was only published in the *Hartford Courant*. Why was notice not published in the Meriden (*Record-Journal*) or Berlin (*The New Britain Herald* and *Berlin Citizen*) newspapers?

**LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS**  
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