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PETITION 235

Millstone Nuclear Power Station East Access Building
Waterford, Connecticut
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Northeast Utilities (NU) is requesting a determination from the Council that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for a proposed East Access Building at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station in the Town of Waterford, Connecticut.

The proposed building would be a 14-foot high steel-frame structure approximately 50 feet by 75 feet on the east side of the Station. The building would provide a security control point to issue and collect identification badges, and to search and control vehicles entering the protected area of the plant.

Grading for the new structure would only be required for a level surface, with no cutting, filling, or off-site disposal of material being required. The existing drainage patterns would be the same, and no vegetation would be removed. Existing town water and a new septic system would be used.

No inland wetlands or other coastal resources would be affected, and the area is not within the 100-year flood plain. Coastal Zone Location Approval has been obtained from the Town of Waterford. The Waterford Planning and Zoning Commission, on April 24, 1989, granted location approval for the permanent location for the proposed building in a 5-0 vote. The building would comply with all applicable state and town building and fire codes, and a building permit would be obtained. The Waterford Town Planner has been informed of this Petition.

The proposed structure would replace an existing access building. The existing temporary building has temporary location approval from the Town of Waterford expiring May 1, 1990. In accordance with the May 6, 1985, order of the Waterford Planning and Zoning Commission, the temporary building would be removed and replaced by the proposed structure, which would provide permanent combined access for pedestrians and vehicles at the existing east parking area. These improvements are needed to meet agreements with the Town of Waterford in removing temporary buildings at the Millstone Station. Construction should begin in July 1989.

The existing access point is for vehicles only. With the proposed access point, both pedestrian and vehicle access would be provided at the existing parking area, which would reduce processing times for people entering the facility.

NU contends that the construction of this building does not constitute a modification of an existing generating facility as defined in Section 16-50i(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), or even if the project were deemed a modification, it would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect, and therefore would not require a Certificate under Section 16-50k(a) of the CGS.

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