STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

Meriden Gas Turbines, LLC Certificate of	:	Docket No. 190B
Environmental Compatibility and Public Need	:	
For a 530 MW Combined Cycle Generating	:	
Plant in Meriden, Connecticut. Reopening of	:	
This Docket Pursuant to Connecticut General	:	
Statutes § 4-181a(b) Limited to Council	:	
Consideration of Changed Conditions and a	:	
Decommissioning Plan	:	May 17, 2013

OBJECTION TO THE CITY OF MERIDEN'S MOTION TO COMPEL¹

Meriden Gas Turbines, LLC ("MGT") respectfully objects to City of Meriden's ("Meriden") Motion to Compel, and asks the Connecticut Siting Council (the "Council") to deny the Motion with prejudice. As explained in MGT's Motion for Bifurcation, at this stage of the proceeding, at issue is whether the Meriden has established with substantial evidence on the record that "change conditions" merit the modification of the Council's 199X Decision and Order granting a Certificate. Accordingly, the reasons for Meriden's access to the site, the consideration of the scope and terms of a decommissioning plan, are irrelevant.

Because the Siting Council is a state agency and the Movant seeking the right under color of state action is a governmental entity, the City's attempt to gain access to private property implicates the rights of MGT under the Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and Section 7 of the Connecticut Constitution, all of which provide significant limitations on governmental intrusion into

¹ MGT objected to the reopening of this docket on grounds of lack of jurisdiction. Without waving those objections, MGT hereby participates in this proceeding under protest.

challenged in court would be violative of MGT's constitutional rights.

Further, the City of Meriden should not have any rights above and beyond those granted to other parties and intervenors in other Siting Council proceedings. Similarly to the other parties and intervenors, the City will have the ability to visit the site on the date of the hearing, if and when such hearing takes place. They are also not prejudiced by visiting the site as the same time as the other parties. Conversely, having to host multiple visits would be burdensome on MGT.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, MGT respectfully requests the Council deny Meriden's Motion to Compel.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 17th day of May a true copy of the above document was served upon those parties and intervenors attached via e-mail and first class mail.

Andrew W. Lord By

Date: April 19, 2013

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