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CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

INTERVENOR STATUS REQUEST FORM

Docket/Petition No. 192B Town/City Oxford, CT

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1. Manner in which petitioner claims to be substantially affected: See attached letter page 2
2.Manner and extent to which petitioner proposes to participate: See attached letter page 2
Copies of this request shall be electronically mailed to all participants at least five days before the date of the hearing.
Signed: Date: George Frantzis

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2. Manner in which petitioner claims to be substantially affected:

The CPV Towantic 805mw power plant proposal will pose a threat to the pristine and protected natural surroundings and property of the **Quassy Amusement Park**, of which I am principal. The particulate discharge, odor, heavy industrial views and proximity to the power plant and effluent plumes will adversely affect my business and threaten the health and safety of my patrons many of whom are families with very young children.

Quassy, which was once called Lake Quassapaug Amusement Park, sits on a beautiful clean and natural lake in Middlebury, Connecticut.

Native Americans once populated this large area. It is rich with history, mystery and folklore.

The Native Americans translated Lake Quassapaug to mean "Big Pond" or "Big Rock". In colonial days King George (1690-1770) granted one Abel Wheeler control of the lake. By 1888, a man named Mr. Richards opened a Grove House. In 1905, the sea wall was put in and the Wallace Hotel replaced Mr. Richard's Grove House. By 1908, a trolley line was put through Middlebury and Lake Quassapaug became a summer resort. It featured swimming, a picnic grove, dancing and a carousel.

In 1937, three Waterbury businessmen, John Frantzis, Mike Leon, and George Terezakis, bought the property. They soon added other attractions including paddleboats and restored the carousel. Within the next few years a hot dog stand and a tearoom were added. Roller skating also became popular in the huge open-air dance hall, which was built in 1915.

It was after World War II that Quassy established itself as a full-fledged amusement park with the addition rides.

The park has also designed its own clambake facilities and caters to business and organizational outings from 100 to 10.000.

Today, Quassy Amusement Park remains a unique family-oriented facility. It offers seasonal attractions in a natural setting on a pedestrian scale and serves as a <u>State of Connecticut recognized regional economic draw</u> frequently hosting out of state schools and out of state visitor programs showcasing the clean, unexploited, natural and protected rural character of the surroundings, the lake and the park.

The park offers swimming in a **chemical free lake**, paddleboats, picnicking, a catering service, a huge family redemption arcade, water park and more than 20 rides gingerly integrated into the surroundings.

2.Manner and extent to which petitioner proposes to participate:

We would appreciate the opportunity to present written and oral evidence, provide expert testimony detailing adverse and significant environmental and economic consequences and question or cross examine the applicant, their experts and their submissions.