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S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
Ten Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket No. 370B: NRG Energy, Inc. application Pursuant to C.G.S. §15-50l(a)(3) for Consideration for a 530 MW Combined Cycle Generation Plant in Meriden, CT.  
Docket No. 370A: CL&P Application for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project and the Manchester to Meekville Jct. Circuit Separation Project

Dear Mr. Phelps:

I am counsel to Citizens Against Overhead Power Line Construction ("CAOPLC"). On March 9, the Connecticut Siting Council issued a draft opinion in this docket. On March 11, Lisa Fontaine of your office sent an email message to the participants alerting us to comments to the draft opinion from Attorney Fitzgerald, counsel for the applicant, and alerting us to the fact that any comments had to be submitted by the close of business today. At that time, we had not yet seen the draft opinion.

Throughout this docket, all documents and communications have been distributed via email and/or hard copy. We do not understand why the draft opinion, perhaps the single most important document in the entire proceeding, was the only document that was neither served on any party nor made available through the CSC website. We were unaware that there is some policy that allows this one document to be available only by hard copy. We were also unaware that there was any process for parties to comment on the draft opinion, as Attorney Fitzgerald has done. I spoke with Lisa Fontaine this afternoon and she kindly forwarded the draft opinion to me via email. However, I have not had the time to discuss this opinion with my client.

Accordingly, we request that the CSC permit CAOPLC and other parties similarly situated to have at least two (2) additional days to review and comment on the draft opinion.

Sincerely,



Matthew C. McGrath