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The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut Valley Electric Transmission Reliability Projects which consist of (1) The Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby, and Suffield, or potentially including an alternate portion that traverses the municipalities of Suffield and Enfield, terminating at the North Bloomfield Substation; and (2) the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut	:	Docket 370A
NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50i(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut	:	Docket 370B
	:	May 5, 2009

MOTION OF THE UNITED ILLUMINATING COMPANY
FOR PARTY STATUS

The United Illuminating Company (“UI”) hereby requests the Connecticut Siting Council (the “Council”) grant it party status in the above-referenced proceedings pursuant to §16-50n and §4-177a of the Connecticut General Statutes (“Conn. Gen. Stat.”) and §16-50j-14 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“R.C.S.A.”). In support of this motion, UI states as follows:

1. UI is a specially chartered Connecticut corporation, with its principal office at 157 Church Street, New Haven, Connecticut. UI is a public service company and an electric distribution service company as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 16-1.
2. UI provides transmission, distribution and bundled electricity service to customers in seventeen (17) municipalities in the State of Connecticut.
3. UI seeks full rights as a party in this proceeding, including the rights to participate in the Council’s hearing, introduce evidence, present and cross-examine witnesses and submit

written argument because UI has substantial interests that may be affected by the proceedings. The proposed transmission projects and associated projects that are the subject of these proceedings involve the Connecticut portion of a larger project known as the New England East-West Solution (“NEEWS”), a transmission-based solution to electric system reliability needs in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Therefore, the Council’s decisions in these proceedings will impact the reliability of the electric system in Connecticut and in UI’s service territory. Therefore, UI has significant interests at stake in these proceedings.

4. UI’s participation in this proceeding is in the public interest, and good cause exists to grant this motion. UI’s participation will promote the interests of justice and will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceeding.
5. Correspondence and other communications in regard to this matter should be served upon the following persons:

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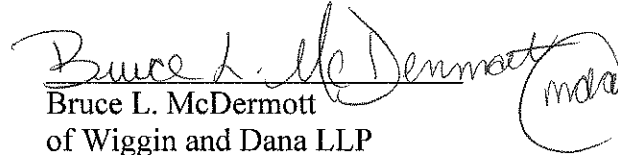
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Respectfully submitted,

THE UNITED ILLUMINATING COMPANY

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce L. McDermott". To the right of the signature is a circular stamp containing the initials "mcd".

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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that on this 5th day of May, 2009 one (1) copy of the foregoing was sent via electronic mail and an original and twenty (20) copies of the foregoing was hand-delivered to The Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051 and one (1) copy was sent via electronic mail or mailed, postage prepaid, on this 5th day of May, 2009 to all other known parties and intervenors.


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