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March 30, 2009

The Honorable Michael S. Rohde  
Mayor  
City of Meriden  
City Hall  
142 East Main Street  
Room 124  
Meriden, CT 06450

RE: **DOCKET 370B** - NRG Energy, Inc. application pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50l(a)(3) for consideration of a 530 MW combined cycle generating plant in Meriden, Connecticut.

Dear Mayor Rohde:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has been made aware of the city's intent to become a participant in the above referenced proceeding. For your review and comment enclosed please find correspondence recently sent to NRG Energy, Inc.

This subject matter may be of interest to you; and I am providing it prior to your official request in the event that you would like to respond prior to the comment deadline of April 3, 2009.

Very truly yours,

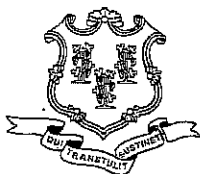
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Derek Phelps".

S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

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Enclosure: Notice of Intent

c: Parties and Intervenors  
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Lawrence Kendzior, City Manager, City of Meriden  
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The Honorable Adam P. Salina, Mayor, Town of Berlin  
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March 26, 2009

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Hartford, CT 06103

**RE: DOCKET NO. 370** - The Connecticut Light and 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. **Application of NRG Energy, Inc.**

Dear Attorney Lord:

The Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of NRG Energy, Inc.'s (NRG) application in the above-referenced docket pursuant to C.G.S. §16-501(a)(3). As specified in the memorandum from the Council to parties and intervenors, dated March 4, 2009, the application substantially complies with the requirements of R.C.S.A. §16-501-2, which prescribes the form to be followed in the filing of applications with the Council.

However, under R.C.S.A. §16-501-2(e), an application shall provide "such information as may be required under the applicable provisions of {C.G.S. §16-501}..." Subsection (e) of C.G.S. §16-501 states in pertinent part: "*Except as provided in subsection (e) of section 16a-7c, at least sixty days prior to the filing of an application with the council, the applicant shall consult with the municipality in which the facility may be located... Such consultation with the municipality shall include, but not be limited to good faith efforts to meet with the chief elected official of the municipality.*" (Emphasis added).

Specific to the Connecticut Energy Advisory Board (CEAB) request for proposal (RFP) process, C.G.S. §16a-7c(e) states in pertinent part: "*Upon the submission of a proposal pursuant to a request for proposal, the person or entity submitting the proposal shall consult with the municipality in which the facility may be located... Such consultation with the municipality shall include, but not be limited to, good faith efforts to meet with the chief elected official of the municipality.*" (Emphasis added).

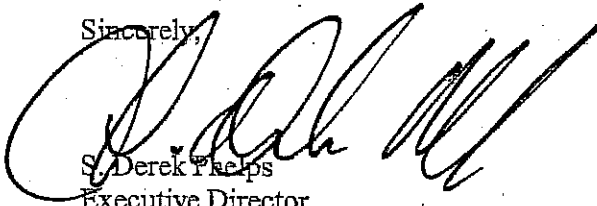
Under Section 11 of the NRG application entitled, "Community Relations," it states, "As part of the Original Application for the Certificate, the Original Applicant met and consulted with



municipal officials in the Town of Berlin and the City of Meriden as required by C.G.S. §16-50i(e).” Council records reflect that the Original Applicant, PDC-El Paso Meriden, LLC (PDC-El Paso), applied to the Council for a Certificate on August 27, 1998.

Please provide the Council with information pertaining to the municipal consultation undertaken by NRG pursuant to C.G.S. §16a-7c(e), if any, or information pertaining to how NRG has complied with the requirements of C.G.S. §16a-7c(e). If the applicant did not undertake the municipal consultation called for under this statutory provision, please so state. In either case, please provide your response to this inquiry on or before April 3, 2009. Thank you.

Sincerely,



S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

SDP/MAB/laf

c: Parties and Intervenors

**LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS**  
**SERVICE LIST**

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Mail		Andrew W. Lord, Esq. Murtha Cullina LLP CityPlace I, 185 Asylum Street Hartford, CT 06103-3469 (860) 240-6180 (860) 240-5723 – fax <a href="mailto:alord@murthlaw.com">alord@murthlaw.com</a>





