

November 15, 2012

TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE: **Docket No. 265A** - Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. Application to Amend and Modify the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the existing independent spent fuel storage installation at Millstone Power Station, Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 4-181a(b) for the limited purpose of determining if changed conditions related to the existing independent spent fuel storage installation justify a modification of the Decision and Order.

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#### I. Introduction

The application to amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is from Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. for modifications to the existing independent spent fuel storage installation at Millstone Power Station, Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut. The existing independent spent fuel storage installation was previously approved by the Council on May 27, 2004 under Docket 265.

#### II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of existing conditions and proposed modifications, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

#### III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the The Day on October 25, and 26, 2012.

#### IV. Procedural

In an amendment proceeding, the Council shall render a decision within ninety days of the filing of the application initiating the proceeding. The Council shall include the findings and an opinion with its order stating its reasons for the decision relevant to the proposed amendment.

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 60 days after receipt of an application for amendment. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Waterford on

Thursday, December 20, 2012, and depositing the transcript in the Waterford and East Lyme Town Halls.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	October 31, 2012
Completeness review	November 15, 2012
Pre-hearing Questions ( <i>if necessary</i> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Set-One Filed</li><li>• Set-One responses due</li></ul>	November 27, 2012 December 13, 2012
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	December 3, 2012
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	December 7, 2012
Pre-filed testimony due	December 13, 2012
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	December 13, 2012
Field review (1:00 p.m.)	December 20, 2012
Hearing (2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	December 20, 2012
Close of Record	January 21, 2013
Draft Findings of Fact	January 10, 2013
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	January 24, 2013
Deadline for Decision	January 29, 2013

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