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May 31, 2007

TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **PETITION NO. 805** - Ansonia Generation LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance, and operation of a 58.4 MW combined heat and power natural gas-fired electric generating facility and transmission line tap located at 75 Liberty Street, Ansonia, Connecticut.

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Comments have been received from the Department of Transportation, dated May 31, 2007. A copy of the comments is attached for your review.

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Enclosure

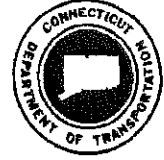
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<b>Status Granted</b>	<b>Status Holder (name, address &amp; phone number)</b>	<b>Representative (name, address &amp; phone number)</b>
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MAY 31 2007

Dear Mr. Phelps:

**Subject: Petitions 805  
Electric Generating Facility and Transmission Line Tap  
Town of Ansonia**

The Department of Transportation has solicited comments for the above-mentioned Petition. Attached is a copy of the comments.

Should you have any questions regarding these comments, Please contact, Mr. Gregg Hendrickson, Utility Engineer (Utilities), @ (860) 594-3264.

Very truly yours,

Sohrab Afrazi  
Transportation Principal Engineer  
Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations

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RE: **PETITION - 805**—Ansonia Generation LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance, and operation of a 58.4 MW combined heat and power natural gas-fired electric generating facility and transmission line tap located at 75 Liberty Street, Ansonia, Connecticut.

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The Department of Transportation (D.O.T.) has reviewed the above mentioned Docket and has the following comments.

The Office of Rail - Design unit is in receipt of your May 4, 2007 dated memorandum requesting a review of Ansonia Generation LLC's above subject petition for a transmission line tap that will require a crossing of Metro-North Railroad's Waterbury Branch line in the vicinity of the Ansonia Copper & Brass Inc manufacturing plant.

This request appears to address a conceptual proposal for either an aerial or underground crossing. No actual plans detailing either proposed installation were transmitted for our review. At this time, there is no objection to the concept for these two options given that following conditions are satisfied:

- 1) For the aerial crossing, a minimum 22'-6" clearance measured from the top of highest rail must be maintained with support poles located outside of the rail right-of-way.
- 2) For the underground installation, the proposed cable crossing must be encased and installed at a minimum depth of 10 feet, measured from the bottom of railroad tie to the top of the installation. Installation at this depth will provide sufficient clearance to existing and future rail installations and operations. A copy of the Amtrak Pipeline Occupancy - Specifications has been attached as a guidance document when submitting formal plans and details for the underground option, if selected.

The Office of Rail requests that plans for the selected option, once developed, be issued for formal review and approval. All formal plan submissions affecting the rail right-of-way should be sent to Ms. Julie Thomas, Supervising Property Agent, New Haven Station, 50 Union Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New Haven, Connecticut, 06510.

In addition to the above, these installations must provide bonding and grounding that will mitigate any stray or induced currents that are produced by the 115 kV line, either underground or aerial in the vicinity of the Railroad facilities. The utility shall agree to obtain Department approval to energize the 115-kV transmission line. Prior to approval, the Department will ensure that the utility has addressed all outstanding Department and Metro-North issues and concerns. Upon being granted approval to energize its cables, the utility shall provide the Department and Metro-North with a two-week notice. This will allow sufficient time to monitor the rail systems at power up and to immediately address any equipment failures, rail operation problems or public safety issues. The utility shall agree to coordinate all trackside activities with Metro-North. The utility shall obtain all necessary railroad permits prior to entering railroad property or performing any activities having an impact or potential impact on railroad property or operations.