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Hon. Daniel F. Caruso, Chair Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Ms Linda Roberts
Executive Director
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RE Petition No. 983 Colebrook, CT - "Wind South Colebrook"

Consolidation with No. 980, 984

Dear Judge Caruso and Ms Roberts:

As you know my office represents Ms Robin L. Hirtle, a Party in the above-referenced Petition by BNE Energy Inc. for a Wind Generating Project on Flagg Hill Road in Colebrook, Connecticut ("Wind Colebrook South").

This letter is in support of FairwindCT, Inc.'s request (letter of January 31, 2011 from attorney Emily Gianquinto) for partial consolidation of Petition #983 with numbers 980 and 984.

Although Ms Hirtle is prepared to participate individually as a party in Petition #983, there are certain aspects of this petition which are or may be duplicative to efforts that will be required to support or object to the other two petitions. To the extent addressing these issues may be made more efficient with consolidation, we are in favor.

Some of these factors may include, without limitation, noise effects, setback requirements, ice throw, blade throw, turbine collapse and other safety issues, as well as certain generic environmental issues. Eliminating duplicate testimony and evidence would create efficiencies not only for the Siting Council, but I would think for the petitioner as well (notwithstanding their objection, filed this date). Nevertheless we are aware certain factors are specific to each site application, and we are prepared to address the specifics as applicable to the site affecting Ms Hirtle.

It is my understanding consolidation of the three petitions may be accomplished within the statutorily-mandated timing requirements the Council must meet. I also recognize consolidation of the two Colebrook petitions, in reasonable proximity to each other, may prove Petition #983

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more practical than combining all three petitions, although limited consolidation of all three petitions may prove equally feasible.

I have not had opportunity to discuss this matter with counsel for the petitioner nor Council staff, but plan to attend the prehearing conference for Petition #980 Friday February 4 when I understand the issue may be addressed.

If you have questions please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

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