STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

Petition of BNE Energy, Inc. for a Petition No. 983 & 984
Declaratory Ruling for the Location, Construction
and Operation of a 4.8 MW Wind Renewable
Generating Project on Winsted-Norfolk Road in
Colebrook, Connecticut ("Wind Colebrook North") and
Flagg Hill Road in Colebrook, Connecticut ("Wind Colebrook South").

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WALTER M. ZIMA INTERROGATORIES TO BNE ENERGY, INC.

Walter M. Zima respectfully requests that petitioner, BNE Energy, Inc. ("BNE") respond to the following interrogatories.

- 1. In preparing Exhibit K, particularly the section pertaining to bats, was the outbreak of *White Nose Syndrome*, that according to the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's report dated March 17, 2009 titled: *DEP Says CT Bat Population Hit Hard by White Nose Syndrome Severity of Syndrome will Reduce Number of Bats this Summer,* considered when determining the current bat population?
- Please provide the distance from each turbine as depicted on your site plans for both Petitions 983 and 984 to the property line, and to the home, respectively, of the Zima/Grants at 12B Greenwoods Turnpike, Colebrook CT.
- 3. How was it determined that the data collected and submitted as evidence in these proceedings on the proposed site of Petition 983 could be used to make assumptions to the conditions, environmental impact, and any other evidence submitted, on the site of Petition 984? Does BNE Energy, Inc. plan to conduct studies on site studies

on the proposed site located at Winsted-Norfolk Road (Route 44), Colebrook, CT?

- 4. What liability insurance does BNE Energy, Inc. hold for complications to residences, such as compromised well water, ice throw damage to property, oil leakage from the turbines into ground water, adverse effects from defoliants used to keep vegetation around turbines from re-growing in the forested areas, or any other issues that arise due to the construction and maintenance of the turbines in Colebrook?
- 5. Has BNE determined the effect of both turbine projects, or plan to conduct studies, on the property values of homes of families living within 1500 feet of each projectPlease identify any such studies, the date of the study, the entity performing the study, and the specifics of effects upon the property of the Zima/Grants at I2B Greenwoods Turnpike.
- 6. Is BNE Energy, Inc. ("BNE") prepared to offer Residential Property Value Guarantee Agreements if, in fact, the turbines will have no negative effect on property values?
- 7. What type of lights will be placed on top of the turbines to alert aircraft of their location? What is the wattage, intensity, and amount of distraction to homes with in 1,500 feet?
- 8. Please provide the visibility areas for the maximum heights of both proposed turbine sites ("Wind Colebrook North" and "Wind Colebrook South"), including turbine blade, in relation to the home of Zima/Grant at 12B Greenwoods Turnpike, Colebrook, CT.
- 9. What is the C-weighted measurement and A-weighted measurement impact of sound from the **combined** number of proposed turbines located at the "Colebrook North" and "Colebrook South" sites?

- 10. Please describe any specific actions BNE Energy, Inc. will take to minimize the visual (including but not limited to flicker effect), auditory, traffic, safety and other impacts of the proposed operation of this project on the property of the Zima/Grants at I2B Greenwoods Turnpike, Colebrook CT.
- 11. In BNE Energy, Inc. Exhibit A for Petition 983, the petitioner states, "To put this into perspective, the Project will provide over two times the annual electric needs of the Town's residential electric users on average over the course of a year." How is this translated into individual savings to residents? Is BNE Energy, Inc. implying to the residents of Colebrook that residents of Colebrook will not have to pay for electricity? How does BNE Energy, Inc. plan to clear up any misconceptions of the benefits this project will have on the residents as whole in the town of Colebrook?

Respectively Submitted,

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