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Ms Linda Roberts, Executive Director Mr. Robert Stein, Chair Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

RE

Petition #984
Benjamin and Kristin Mow
Supplemental Comments on BNE D&M Plan

Dear Ms Roberts, Chairman Stein and Members of the Siting Council:

This is a supplement to prior comments of Kristin and Benjamin Mow on BNE's Development and Management Plan for this project. Please consider these comments in addition to those submitted November 26, 2011 and request BNE to take the action requested.

<u>Interrogatories</u>, Set One, #16. BNE's November 14, 2011 responses to the Siting Council's interrogatories indicate, in question and answer number 16, that bedrock was encountered in the borings for Turbine 1 which will require blasting for removal. BNE calculates that approximately 350 cubic yards of bedrock may need to be blasted or removed to construct the foundation for Turbine 1.

The Mows' home is closest to Turbine 1: 1,400 feet to the property line of the Mows, and 1,595 feet to their home. (See Findings of Fact.) Blasting of bedrock at such proximity to their home creates a danger of considerable damage in various forms.

Therefore, the Mows respectfully request that before BNE is permitted to begin any blasting, if it is approved at all, the following protections be put in place:

- 1. <u>Seismic monitoring</u> must be installed on the Mows' property and within their home at strategic locations inside it, to determine any impact on the structural integrity of the Mows' home and their property. A means for the Mows to read the devices and determine the impact of nearby blasting, without being required to consult with an expert, should be a part of the monitoring system.
- Well monitoring/repair. The Mows, like their neighbors, receive their drinking water from a well. Not only the well, but the groundwater supply it uses, is subject to damage from blasting. The well and the groundwater must be monitored to determine whether the blasting has an impact on the Mows' water supply, and if so, repairs or alternate sources of potable water must be provided for the Mows.

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- 3. <u>Septic monitoring/repair</u>. Similarly, the Mows' septic system is subject to damage from nearby blasting; it, and the system feeding into it, must be monitored, and, if necessary, repaired if the blasting causes damage.
- 4. <u>Insurance and indemnification</u> must be required of BNE to provide for repairs, damage, or permanent loss of value to the Mows' home and property as a result of blasting. BNE's insurance should name the Mows as additionally insured, with adequate coverage not only for the value of the Mows' property but also for any personal injury or damage to their property (especially the well and septic system) that may occur. The Mows should be provided a copy of the binder and a paid receipt for insurance coverage during the period of any approved blasting.
- 5. <u>Contractor contact</u>. The Mows must be informed of the identity of the contractor doing the blasting, including a person to contact in case of emergency or exigent circumstances. The contractor should be required to contact the Mows prior to any blasting to arrange a mutually-agreeable time and date for any permitted blasting.

On behalf of the Mows, please be certain to address these practical concerns. If you have questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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ours truly,

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CERTIFICATION

This certifies that a copy of the foregoing was sent via electronic transmission and/or U.S. mail, as appropriate, to the following Connecticut Siting Council service list on this the ______ day of the month of November 2011:

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