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RE: **PETITION NO. 1586** – Dominion Energy Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, that neither a new Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) nor a modification to its existing Certificate is required to revise the boundaries of the Millstone Power Station electric generating facility site located off Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut. **Council Interrogatories to Town of Waterford.**

Dear Attorney Avena and Attorney Kepple:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than October 10, 2023. Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to siting.council@ct.gov. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council requests all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the October 10, 2023 deadline.

Copies of your responses are required to be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

c: Service List, dated September 14, 2023

Petition No. 1586 Dominion Energy Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. (DENC) Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut

Interrogatories to Town of Waterford September 26, 2023

- 1. Has the Town of Waterford (Town) held any public information meetings on the proposed data center since the filing of Dominion Energy Nuclear Connecticut, Inc.'s (DENC) Petition? If yes, when and what comments and concerns were expressed by residents?
- 2. Has the Town reviewed any preliminary studies, proposed site plans or applications for land use and environmental permitting for the data center construction to date? If yes, please describe.
- 3. Referencing DENC's response to Council Interrogatory 1, when did the Town enter into a Municipal Host Fee Agreement with NE Edge for the data center? Were any comments and/or concerns expressed by Town boards and commissions prior to entering the agreement?
- 4. How many data centers are proposed for construction within the existing Millstone Power Station (MPS) site boundaries?
- 5. Describe the full Town process for evaluation of an application for construction of a data center.
- 6. What studies would the Town require in its evaluation of a data center application? For example, visual impact, noise, traffic, environmental, decommissioning, emergency response, etc.
- 7. Describe how the proposed boundary revision and data centers comply with Public Act 21-1, "An Act Concerning Incentives for Qualified Data Centers to Locate in the State."
- 8. Is the Town located in a Federal Opportunity Zone or Enterprise Zone, as defined under Public Act 21-1?
- 9. What is the duration of the proposed data center lease/useful life? Does it comply with Public Act 21-1?
- 10. What impacts could the MPS boundary revision have on Town designations and uses of the existing MPS site? For example, changes to zoning, emergency response, open space, etc.
- 11. How would the construction phase and operation phase of the proposed data center at the MPS site impact the Town Emergency Evacuation Plan? What modifications would need to be made for each phase of data center development?
- 12. How is the data center construction at the MPS site consistent with the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD)?
- 13. Referencing the attached State POCD Map by GZA, dated December 20, 2011 (Attachment 9 to the Docket 265A application), what impact would development of Lease Areas 1-3 for the data center and its switchyard have on the Preserved Areas and Development Policies identified on the map?

- 14. What changes to the State and Town POCDs have occurred since December 20, 2011 relative to planning and development policies in the area surrounding the MPS site, if any?
- 15. How would construction of the data center and its switchyard impact the Town's open space goals? Please explain.
- 16. Has the Town considered any alternative sites for the data center? If yes, please identify the locations.
- 17. Please identify the locations on a map and describe any potential impacts construction of the data centers at Lease Areas 1-3 on the MPS site would have on the following resources:
 - a. Long Island Sound
 - b. Jordan Cove
 - c. Niantic Bay and River
 - d. Surrounding beaches and boardwalks
 - e. Residences and businesses
 - f. Public recreational areas
 - g. Protected species
 - h. Seaside State Park
 - i. Historic and cultural resources
 - j. Water supply and usage
 - k. Agricultural areas
- 18. Referencing DENC Response to Council Interrogatory 18, has NE Edge discussed with the Town its intention to install sound attenuation measures to meet noise control regulations? If so, what sound attenuation measures are proposed to be installed?
- 19. Referencing Petition Exhibit 1, Connecticut Siting Council Site Plan, Map References 2A-2D, does the Town have any comments or recommended mitigation measures for the protection of the wetlands and watercourses on, adjacent to or traversing Lease Areas 1-3. If yes, what are the recommendations?
- 20. How would construction of the data center and its switchyard change the visual character of the area surrounding the existing MPS site?

