

To: Kathy Shea
Greater Springfield Reliability Project
From: Connecticut Energy Advisory Board
Subject: Requests for Information
Date: September 5, 2008

As you know, in accordance with Connecticut General Statute Section 16a-7c, the CEAB is to issue a Request for Proposal (“RFP”) seeking alternatives to the Greater Springfield Reliability Project (GSRP) unless the CEAB determines it is appropriate to exempt the GSRP from an RFP. It is our understanding that the GSRP will be filed with the Siting Council in the very near future. To inform the development of an RFP that effectively solicits alternatives to the stated need, and/or to inform a decision to exempt, the CEAB requires certain information about the proposed project.

To facilitate the CEAB’s review in preparation of an RFP or exemption, as appropriate, the CEAB requests responses to the questions below by close of business on September 10, 2008. An electronic copy of your replies should be e-mailed to gdeans@cerc.com. In addition, one paper copy should be sent via regular mail to:

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c/o Gretchen Deans
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1. Has NU retained, or does NU intend to retain, a consultant to perform a Non-Transmission Alternative Study (NTA) for the Greater Springfield Reliability Project (“GSRP”) component of NEEWS?
2. If a consultant has been retained, please provide the retention date and a copy of the scope of work. Any confidential information in any work scope, such as pricing or other terms that may be considered proprietary by such consultant or NU, may, of course, be redacted.
3. If a consultant has not yet been retained, but NU plans to do so, please provide a summary of the work that NU intends to ask the consultant to perform.
4. To date, has a consultant completed any tasks under a scope of work, such as identifying the amount, type, and timing of NTAs that might serve to displace or defer the GSRP? If so, is NU willing to provide a draft copy of the results of any completed tasks?
5. Has NU and/or a consultant established a schedule for the completion of this study? If so, please provide that schedule, and indicate when the CEAB might receive a copy?

The CEAB appreciates your time and assistance.

