

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF NTE CONNECTICUT, LLC : DOCKET NO. 470
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL :
COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR :
THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND :
OPERATION OF AN ELECTRIC POWER :
GENERATING FACILITY OFF LAKE ROAD, :
KILLINGLY, CONNECTICUT : DECEMBER 8, 2016

**APPLICANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE
TO SITING COUNCIL INTERROGATORY NO. 59**

Recognizing its continuing obligation to provide the Siting Council with updated information regarding the above-captioned docket, the applicant, NTE Connecticut, LLC hereby supplements its response to Council interrogatory Question No. 59.

Question No. 59

To date, has NTE received a response from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and/or the Tribal Historic Preservation Offices (THPO) regarding the proposed project? If yes, provide a copy of such response(s).

Response

The SHPO has provided the response attached as Exhibit 59-1 regarding the proposed project. No response has yet been received from the THPOs.

The SHPO has also indicated that, with minor changes now completed, the archaeological report can be distributed for public review. The report is provided as Exhibit 59-2.

Supplemental Response

On November 18, 2016, Tetra Tech received the attached comment letter from Marissa Turnbull, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe.

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE


I hereby certify that on this 8th day of December 2016, a copy of the foregoing was sent via electronic mail and first class U.S. Mail, to the following:

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November 5, 2016

The Tribal Historic Preservation Office, representing the Mashantucket (Western) Pequot Tribe, has reviewed the submitted Phase IA and IB archaeological reconnaissance survey, conducted by Tetra Tech, for the proposed Killingly Energy Center (KEC) located on approximately 73 acres at 180 and 189 Lake Road. The KEC's potential to impact historic landscapes and archaeological resources was assessed by Tetra Tech, Inc. in compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA. Although no archaeological sites were identified in particular areas (and we concur), further assessment on particular historic property types is absent. Due to the high indigenous occupation in the Project Study Area historically, coupled with water source proximity and other natural features, impacts to cultural landscapes, ceremonial stone features, traditional cultural properties – properties of cultural and religious significance – may also be assessed and evaluated for NRHP eligibility.

We appreciate the opportunity to have reviewed and commented upon the above-referenced project.

Please keep me informed of any further developments with respect to this project.

Regards,
Marissa Turnbull
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Mashantucket Pequot Tribe