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To: Pre file testimony from Quassy Amusement Park

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The CPV Towantic 805mw power plant proposal will pose a threat to the pristine and protected natural surroundings and property of the Quassy Amusement Park, of which I am a principal. The particulate discharge, odor, heavy industrial views and proximity to the power plant and effluent plumes will adversely affect my business and threaten the health and safety of my patrons many of whom are families with very young children.

Quassy, which was once called Lake Quassapaug Amusement Park, sits on a beautiful clean and natural lake in Middlebury, Connecticut. Native Americans once populated this large area. It is rich with history, mystery and folklore. The Native Americans translated Lake Quassapaug to mean "Big Pond" or "Big Rock".

In colonial days King George (1690-1770) granted one Abel Wheeler control of the lake. By 1888, a man named Mr. Richards opened a Grove House. In 1905, the sea wall was put in and the Wallace Hotel replaced Mr. Richard's Grove House. By 1908, a trolley line was put through Middlebury and Lake Quassapaug became a summer resort. It featured swimming, a picnic grove, dancing and a carousel.

In 1937, three Waterbury businessmen, John Frantzis, Mike Leon, and George Terezakis, bought the property. They soon added other attractions including paddleboats and restored the carousel. Within the next few years a hot dog stand and a tearoom were added. Roller skating also became popular in the huge open-air dance hall, which was built in 1915.

It was after World War II that Quassy established itself as a full-fledged amusement park with the addition rides. The park has also designed its own clambake facilities and caters to business and organizational outings from 100 to 10,000.

Today, Quassy Amusement Park remains a unique family-oriented facility. It offers seasonal attractions in a natural setting on a pedestrian scale and serves as a State of Connecticut recognized regional economic draw frequently hosting out of state schools and out of state visitor programs showcasing the clean, unexploited, natural and protected rural character of the surroundings, the lake and the park.

The park offers swimming in a chemical free lake, paddleboats, picnicking, a catering service, a huge family redemption arcade, water park and more than 20 rides gingerly integrated into the surroundings.

Additional materials to be discussed:

http://www.ctvisit.com/entertainment/quassy-amusement-park/summary/1491

http://www.visitconnecticut.com/state/amusement-parks/

http://www.kids.ct.gov/kids/cwp/view.asp?a=2574&q=436034

http://www.ettractions.com/destination/Connecticut/2/quassy-amusement-park/profile/658

http://www.flytweed.com/visiting-ct/tourist-attractions/

http://www.quassy.com/files/8614/0752/3448/Park Also Adding Kiddle Bumper Cars.pdf

http://www.courant.com/community/middlebury/hc-quassy-banner-year-0916-20140920-story.html#page=1

http://www.guassy.com/files/1513/8315/7525/2014 Educational Programs.pdf

http://www.quassy.com/files/1113/6873/8996/Quassy_press_release_splash_away_bay.pdf

http://www.quassy.com/files/7113/6873/8998/Quassy_press_release_Warrior_1.pdf

http://www.quassy.com/files/6613/6873/8995/Quassy_press_release_Lasercomingsoon.pdf

http://www.quassy.com/files/8313/6873/8998/Quassy_press_release_waterparkexpanse.pdf

http://www.courant.com/business/hc-quassy0514.artmay14-story.html