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January 2, 2011

Mr. Daniel F. Caruso, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Petition 983 – BNE Wind Energy; Wind project, Colebrook

Petition 984 – BNE Wind Energy; Wind Project, Colebrook North (Route 44)

Dear Mr. Caruso and Members of the Siting Council:

On behalf of the Board of the Colebrook Historical Society and as President, this letter is written with respect to the above-cited petitions. There is yet much to be learned and discussed regarding the impact of wind turbines not only in our historic village, but in the state as a whole. We urge the Connecticut Siting Council to hold public hearings locally to enable the citizens of this state an opportunity to share information regarding the issues and long range implications that this venture may bring. To date the state of Connecticut and many of its towns including Colebrook have no regulations regarding wind farms. To develop and establish appropriate regulations, which will protect the welfare of all under your jurisdiction, we respectfully request the Council to impose a one-year moratorium. This will enable the appropriate standards and regulations to be established at whatever level appropriate.

As we enter the new year may we go forth responsibly with thoughtful and intelligent decisions that balance the need for energy services along with the protection of the ecology, the environment and the safety of its residents.

Thank you for your consideration to the matter.

Sincerely,

Janet H. Rathbun, President
Colebrook Historical Society