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STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CORRESPONDENCE

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Millstone Power Station Units 2 and 3 License Renewal Request for Information on Historic and Archaeological Resources

Dear Mr. Shannahan:

Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. (Dominion) is preparing an application for submittal to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to renew the operating licenses for Millstone Power Station, Units 2 and 3. The current operating licenses for Units 2 and 3 expire on July 31, 2015 and November 25, 2025, respectively. As part of the license renewal process, the NRC requires license applicants to "assess whether any historic or archaeological properties will be affected by the proposed project." The NRC may also request an informal consultation with your office at a later date under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 USC 470), and Federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations (36 CFR 800). By contacting you early in the application process, we hope to identify any concerns that may need to be addressed or any information your office may need to help expedite the NRC consultation.

Millstone Power Station (MPS or Millstone) has operated since 1970. Dominion has been the operator since March 31, 2001, when it purchased ownership interests from a number of companies and took over operation from Northeast Nuclear Energy Company. Millstone Unit 1 operated from 1970 until November 1995, when the unit was permanently shut down, and is not part of the proposed action. Millstone Units 2 and 3 continue to generate electricity.

Millstone is located in the town of Waterford, Connecticut on the north shore of Long Island Sound approximately 15 miles south of the city of Norwich and approximately 20 miles west of Rhode Island (Figure 2-1, attached). The station is on a peninsula that extends into Long Island Sound, with Niantic Bay lying to the west of the peninsula and Jordan Cove lying to the east (Figure 2-3, attached). The Millstone property comprises approximately 500 acres of land.

Northeast Utilities, the parent company of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (the previous operator of Millstone), built four transmission lines for the specific purpose of connecting Millstone to the regional transmission system (Figure 3-2 attached). Beginning at the site, these four transmission lines continue northward in a common corridor for 9.1 miles to Hunts Brook Junction. At Hunts Brook, the lines diverge with two lines running north to the Card Street and Manchester Substations, one line running east to the Montville Station, and one line running west to the Southington Substation.

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Attached for your reference are letters from your office dated January 5, 1981, January 19, 1982, and November 2, 1984 regarding the State Historic Preservation Officer's reviews in connection with the operation of Millstone Unit 3. These letters were included either as part of the Environmental Report submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") or the Final Environmental Impact Statement prepared by the NRC for the operation of Millstone Unit 3. Also attached is a letter from your office dated March 24, 2003, regarding the State Historic Preservation Officer's recent review of a planned Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation facility at the Millstone site.

Dominion does not expect Millstone operation during the license renewal term (through 2045) to adversely affect cultural or historical resources in the area because Dominion has no plans to significantly alter current operations over the license renewal period. No expansion of existing facilities is planned, and no major structural modifications have been identified, for the purpose of supporting license renewal. At this time, no land-disturbing activities are anticipated beyond those required for routine maintenance and repairs. Any future activities not anticipated at present would go through required approvals at that time.

We would appreciate a timely response detailing any concerns you may have about historic/archaeological properties in the area of Millstone or confirming Dominion's conclusion that the operation of MPS over the license renewal term would have no effect on any historic or archaeological properties in Connecticut. This will enable us to meet our application preparation schedule. Dominion will include a copy of this letter and your response in the license renewal application that we submit to the NRC.

Please do not hesitate to call Mr. Richard J. Gallagher, at 1-860-447-1791, extension 3876, if you have any questions or require any additional information to review the proposed action.

Respectfully,

DOMINION NUCLEAR CONNECTICUT, INC P. F. Faggert, Vice President and Chief Environmental Officer

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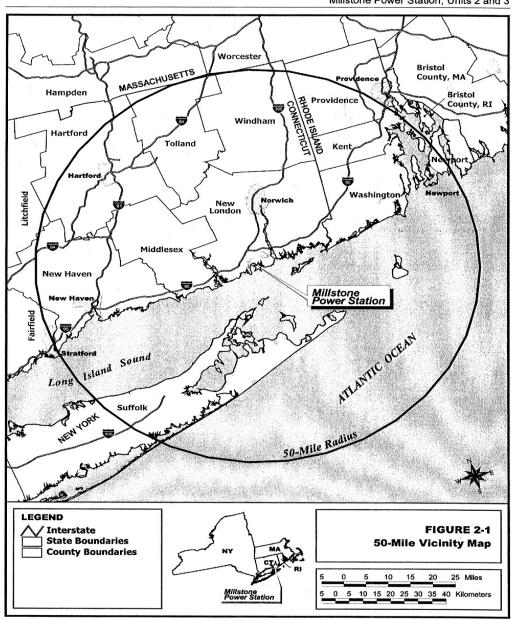
Attachments: Figure 2-1, 50-mile Vicinity Map Figure 2-3, Site Boundary Map Figure 3-2, Transmission Line Map

January 5, 1981, Letter from State Historic Preservation Officer to Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation

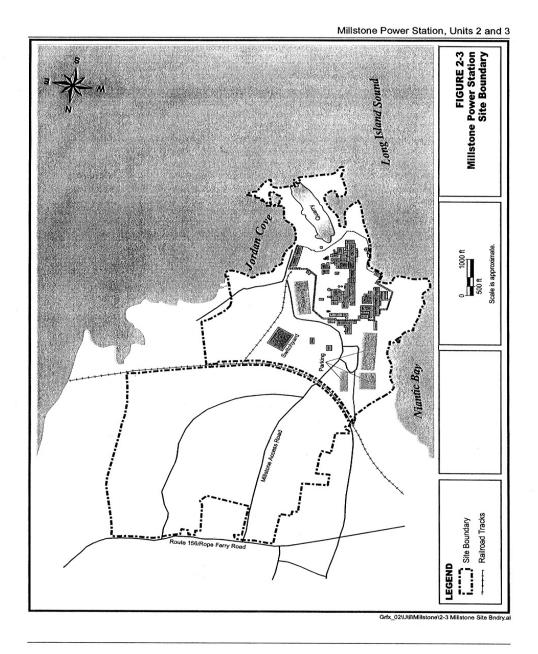
January 19, 1982, Letter from State Historic Preservation Officer to Northeast Utilities November 2, 1984, Letter from State Historic Preservation Officer to Northeast Utilities March 24, 2003, Letter from State Historic Preservation Officer to Dominion

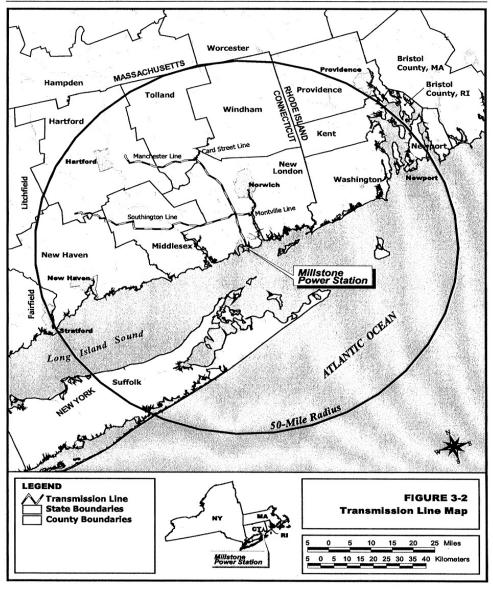
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