

Long Island July 17, 2014

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess  
Secretary to the Commission  
New York State Public Service Commission  
Empire State Plaza  
Agency Building 3  
Albany, NY 12223-1350

Dear Secretary Burgess:

We are filing this letter in opposition to the petition of Caithness Long Island II for an order granting “Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Establishing Lightened Regulatory Regime”, case number 14-E-0250.

We request that public hearings be scheduled for this matter. We are strongly opposed to the petition by Caithness Long Island II.

We oppose the construction of the Caithness II power plant because of its significant environmental impact. Alternative solutions for solving Long Island’s summer super peak problem have not been considered.

We do not believe a power plant of this size is necessary for meeting the electric needs of Long Island, and we believe the cost of the natural gas pipeline and electric grid reconfigurations necessitated by the proposed plant would be an unnecessary and excessive burden on Long Island's ratepayers.

Long Island already has among the highest rates for electricity in the US. Initiating a project that will increase those rates further seems to us to be misguided.

Accordingly we urge the Commission to reject the petition by Caithness Long Island II and to schedule public hearings to ensure that our views are considered in this matter.

Sincerely,

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