

Case 14-E-0270

Petition Requesting Initiation of a  
Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for  
Continued Operation of the R.E. Ginna  
Nuclear Power Plant, LLC.

Hearing Exhibit 32

**Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation**

**Petition for Initiation of a Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for Continued Operation of  
the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant  
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**INFORMATION REQUEST**

**Requesting Party and No:** Citizens' Environmental Coalition (CEC-18)

**Request No.:** GNP-15-115

**Date of Request:** March 30, 2015

**Response Due:** April 13, 2015

**Date of Reply:** April 13, 2015

**Respondent:** Timothy Lynch

**Re:** Citizens' Environmental Coalition's Second Set of Information Requests

**Question:**

Two bulk transformers at Station 80 were replaced by ones with higher ratings according to the NYISO 2014 Reliability Needs Assessment. Does this project relate at all to the projects needed for the GRTA solution?

**Response:**

RG&E objects to this interrogatory because it requests information that is irrelevant and outside the scope of the current phase of this proceeding (i.e., the interrogatory seeks information that does not involv[e] the request of RG&E for Commission acceptance of a Reliability Support Services Agreement between RG&E and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC, and for approval of the allocation and recovery of the costs of that agreement.”)

Subject to and without waiving these objections, RG&E provides the following response.

During a project initiated in 2010, two bulk transformers (T1 and T3) at Station 80 were replaced due to maintenance issues with the 50-year old units. Additional justification came in the NYISO's 2012 Reliability Needs Assessment, which noted that loss of three of the four transformers at Station 80 due to an “N-1-1 with stuck breaker” contingency<sup>1</sup> would result in overloading of the remaining transformer.

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<sup>1</sup> This contingency was applied by the NYISO for the first time in the 2012 RNA as a result of a change in its planning criteria for Bulk Power System Facilities.

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Although the project does not directly relate to the GRTA, the additional transformer capacity provided by the proposed larger units can assist in supplying the Rochester area under a Ginna retirement scenario.