

November 3, 2017

Via Electronic Mail and Federal Express

Todd Anthony Bianco, PhD, EFSB Coordinator  
RI Energy Facility Siting Board  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888


**Re: *Invenergy Thermal Development LLC's Application to Construct and Operate the  
Clear River Energy Center in Burrillville, Rhode Island  
Docket No.: SB-2015-16***

Dear Dr. Bianco:

On behalf of Invenergy Thermal Development LLC and the Clear River Energy Center Project ("Invenergy"), please find enclosed an original and three (3) copies of Invenergy's Supplemental response to the Energy Facility Siting Board's Data Request, No. 1-3.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

cc: Service List

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD

IN RE: Application of Invenergy Thermal  
Development LLC's Proposal for  
Clear River Energy Center

Docket No. SB-2015-06

**INVENERGY THERMAL DEVELOPMENT LLC'S  
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES TO THE RHODE ISLAND  
ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S DATA REQUEST NO. 1-3**

EFSB 1-3: Please describe the community outreach that has been employed by Invenergy Thermal Development LLC and include copies of all materials circulated to individuals and media. Included in this response, please detail future plans for community outreach during this application process and, if the application is approved, for during construction and operation.

ORIGINAL RESPONSE: Invenergy has conducted consistent public outreach since the project was first proposed. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Informal door-to-door canvassing of project abutters, with an informational card;
- Two informational mailers to all Burrillville households;
- Two public Open Houses at Burrillville Middle School – both publicized by ads in the *Bargain Buyer*; mailed invite postcards to Burrillville residents; and local media outreach;
- Ongoing media outreach, including a press conference to announce the project proposal that received widespread publicity; and multiple stories by *The Providence Journal*, *Woonsocket Call*, Rhode Island Public Radio, WJAR, WPRI and EcoRI. In-studio media appearances on WPRI-TV's "Dan Yorke State of Mind" and "Executive Suite," and on WPRO-AM's Dan Yorke Show;
- A series of informational advertisements in the Burrillville *Bargain Buyer*. Ads thus far have focused on environmental impacts and the permitting process – and each include times and dates of upcoming public hearings;
- Three separate community "Office Hours" at Jesse M. Smith Library in Burrillville – advertised in *Bargain Buyer*;
- FAQ's and handouts available at EFSB public hearing;
- A robust and active project website ([www.clearriverenergycenter.com](http://www.clearriverenergycenter.com)) – which provides for questions submitted from the public – as well as active Twitter and Facebook social media channels;
- Public presentation to TEC-RI's "Energy Day";
- Informal briefing for Save The Bay;

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- Upcoming "Eggs and Issues Breakfast" with Northern Rhode Island Chamber of Commerce.

Copies of the circulated materials are attached as **Exhibit 1**.

**SUPPLEMENTAL  
RESPONSE:**

Invenergy Thermal Development LLC ("Invenergy") has conducted consistent public outreach since the project was first proposed. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Informal door-to-door canvassing of project abutters, with an informational card.
- Three informational mailers to all Burrillville households, plus a letter to every Burrillville business/potential project vendor.
- Three public Open Houses in Burrillville – each publicized by ads in the Bargain Buyer; mailed invite postcards to Burrillville residents; and local media outreach. Informational posters and handouts available at each Open House.
- Three separate community "Office Hours" at Jesse M. Smith Library in Burrillville – advertised in Bargain Buyer.
- Ongoing media outreach, including a press conference to announce the project proposal that received widespread publicity; and multiple project-update stories by The Providence Journal, Valley Breeze, Woonsocket Call, Johnston Sunrise, Rhode Island Public Radio, WJAR-TV, WPRI-TV, WPRO-AM, GoLocalProv and EcoRI. In-studio media appearances on WPRI-TV's "Dan Yorke State of Mind" and "Executive Suite"; on WPRO-AM's Dan Yorke Show; and on GoLocalProv TV. Media outreach also included briefings for the editorial boards at The Providence Journal and Valley Breeze.
- A series of informational advertisements in the Burrillville Bargain Buyer and Valley Breeze. Ads thus far have focused on environmental impacts, the permitting process, water usage, ratepayer savings – and each include times and dates of upcoming public hearings. A "Learn the Facts" ad ran 18 times in summer of 2017 in the two local publications.
- Informational TV commercial airing in summer 2017 in

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- A robust and active project website ([www.clearriverenergycenter.com](http://www.clearriverenergycenter.com)) – which provides for questions submitted from the public – as well as active Twitter and Facebook social media channels.
- Presentations to business and community groups, including briefings for the Energy Council of Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Manufacturers Association and the Northern Rhode Island Chamber of Commerce.

Copies of the supplemental circulated materials are attached.

RESPONDENT: John Niland, Invenergy Thermal Development

DATE: November 3, 2017

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on November 3, 2017, I delivered a true copy of the foregoing responses to the Energy Facilities Siting Board via electronic mail to the parties on the attached service list.

*/s/ Alan M. Shoer*

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## **Invenergy Reducing Potential Oil Usage at Clear River Energy Center in Burrillville**

*Cutting by half the potential oil-fired days at power facility will reduce emissions*

**BURRILLVILLE, R.I., September 8, 2016** – As part of efforts to further reduce air emissions at the proposed Clear River Energy Center and address community sentiments, Invenergy plans to further limit the number of days the power facility could run on oil.

Invenergy is amending its permit applications to reflect a new cap of 15 days – cut in half from the original 30 days’ restriction – during which the power facility could potentially utilize its backup oil tank to power the facility. Oil would only be needed at the 900-megawatt, gas-fired Clear River Energy Center when regional gas supplies are highly restricted, such as during an extended cold snap.

This change has the potential to reduce carbon emissions from the facility by up to 30,000 tons annually.

“We know that the community had questions about the potential number of days we could run on oil, so we’ve adjusted our plan to limit those days and further reduce emissions,” said John Niland, Invenergy’s development director.

As a modern combined cycle generation facility, the Clear River Energy Center would be the most efficient power plant in New England. The project is already expected to lower regional emissions of air pollutants by more than a million tons of carbon dioxide each year, by displacing existing inefficient and more polluting sources of energy in the region.

### **About Invenergy**

Invenergy and its affiliated companies develop, own and operate large-scale renewable generation, natural gas and clean energy storage facilities in North America and Europe. Invenergy is North America’s largest independent wind power generation company, with its home office in Chicago and regional development offices in the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, and Mexico. For more information, please visit [www.invenergyllc.com](http://www.invenergyllc.com).

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## **Quick Facts: New Water Plan for the Clear River Energy Center**

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### **What's changed in your water plan?**

We've identified the Town of Johnston as our water supplier, eliminating the plan to use the contaminated Pascoag wells. Our amended proposal cuts our water use by 100,000 gallons a day. The water will be delivered by 2 to 3 trucks per typical day, and that means we won't have to tear up local roads to construct any new pipelines.

### **What does this mean for Johnston?**

We've offered to pay the city more than \$18 million over the next 20 years to become a new water customer. This is money the city could use for tax relief, to invest in schools or infrastructure, and to fund retiree pensions.

Here's how the proposed water-supply agreement breaks down:

- \$500,000/year for 20 years, escalating annually, in payments to the city's General Fund (\$14 million total)
- \$200,000/year for 20 years in PILOT payments
- \$200,000/year for 5 years, which can be used for a student's scholarship or new athletic fields
- Water payments at prevailing rate

### **What will this mean for Johnston water bills?**

Adding Invenergy as a water customer may actually decrease water bills for Johnston water users. With Invenergy paying more than its share as a water customer, there will be less of a burden on other water customers.

### **How will you get the water to the power plant in Burrillville?**

We're decided that the best option to transport the water to the Burrillville facility is via truck, rather than the pipeline we were previously considering. This will require only 2 or 3 trucks a day, and will be less disruptive than digging up the roads to lay 14 miles of new water pipes. We will build a water-filling station in Johnston, and we'll hire up to 3 new employees to operate the water trucks.

### **Does Johnston have enough water for this?**

On average, we would use between 15,000 and 20,000 gallons of water per day. That's less than we previously estimated needed: We've engineered a solution that significantly cuts our water usage. The City of Johnston has more than enough water to go around. Our use represents a fraction of the Town's available supply.

### **What kind of water is this? Some have referred to this water as "wastewater."**

We'll use potable water from Johnston – not wastewater.

#### **Learn more:**

[www.clearriverenergycenter.com](http://www.clearriverenergycenter.com)

Twitter: @ClearRiverEC | Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Clear-River-Energy-Center](http://www.facebook.com/Clear-River-Energy-Center)

# ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS, MONEY FOR THE TOWN & NEW LOCAL JOBS



- 300 CONSTRUCTION JOBS RIGHT HERE IN BURRILLVILLE
- STAFF OF 25 WORKERS TO RUN THE PLANT
- ONE OF BURRILLVILLE'S LARGEST TAXPAYERS
- LITTLE IMPACT ON TOWN SERVICES
- LOWERING ELECTRIC RATES - MILLIONS IN ANNUAL SAVINGS FOR RHODE ISLAND RATEPAYERS
- RESTORING AN UNUSABLE WELL AT THE PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT - WITHOUT PUTTING A STRAIN ON WATER SUPPLIES
- ONE OF THE CLEANEST NATURAL GAS PLANTS IN THE COUNTRY
- REDUCING EMISSIONS BY REPLACING AGING COAL AND OIL PLANTS





- \$94 MILLION DOLLARS IN NEW REVENUE FOR BURRILLVILLE – THAT’S AROUND 10 PERCENT OF THE TOWN’S ANNUAL BUDGET.
- HUNDREDS OF NEW JOBS FOR LOCAL WORKERS.
- REDUCING EMISSIONS BY REPLACING OLDER, LESS-EFFICIENT, MORE-POLLUTING PLANTS.
- MORE THAN \$900 MILLION INVESTMENT BY INVENERGY.
- NEW ENGLAND’S MOST EFFICIENT POWER PLANT.





## OUR TAX AGREEMENT

### BOOSTING BURRILLVILLE'S ECONOMY

- UNDER THE TERMS OF OUR AGREEMENT, INVENERGY WILL IMMEDIATELY BECOME ONE OF THE TOWN'S LARGEST TAXPAYERS.
- BURRILLVILLE WILL RECEIVE MORE THAN \$94 MILLION IN NEW TAX REVENUE OVER THE NEXT 20 YEARS, PLUS NEARLY \$3 MILLION IN IMPACT FEES.

### TAX AGREEMENT, IN CONTEXT

- OUR ANNUAL PAYMENTS WOULD AMOUNT TO ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF BURRILLVILLE'S ANNUAL BUDGET.
- THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH TO PAY FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRITICAL ITEMS IN THE TOWN'S 2016-17 BUDGET:
  - THE ENTIRE POLICE BUDGET (\$2.5M)
  - THE ENTIRE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT BUDGET (\$2.2M)
  - THE ENTIRE PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET (\$1.4M)
- **GUARANTEED DECOMMISSIONING**

INVENERGY IS COMMITTED TO DECOMMISSIONING THE PLANT AT THE END OF ITS LIFESPAN AND EVALUATING THE SITE FOR REUSE OR RESTORATION.



# CLEAR RIVER

ENERGY CENTER

BURRILLVILLE, RHODE ISLAND

## WATER USE AT THE CLEAR RIVER ENERGY CENTER

### WE HEARD YOU.

- SINCE OUR LAST OPEN HOUSE, OUR WATER PLAN HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY AMENDED.
- WE'VE IDENTIFIED THE TOWN OF JOHNSTON AS OUR WATER SUPPLIER, ELIMINATING THE CONTAMINATED PASCOAG WELL FROM OUR PLANS.

### REDUCED WATER USE.

- WE REDUCED OUR WATER USE BY (1) CHANGING OUR TREATMENT SYSTEM TO ONE THAT DOES NOT PRODUCE WASTE WATER, AND (2) RECYCLING AND REUSING OUR PROCESS WATER.
- OUR AMENDED PROPOSAL CUTS OUR POTENTIAL WATER USAGE BY MORE THAN 100,000 GALLONS PER DAY.
- THAT'S **90% LESS WATER** THAN THE REGION'S OTHER, LESS-EFFICIENT FACILITIES.

### NO PIPELINE NEEDED.

- WATER WILL BE DELIVERED BY 2-3 TRUCKS PER TYPICAL DAY.
- THAT MEANS THERE WILL BE NO NEED TO TEAR UP LOCAL ROADS TO CONSTRUCT ANY NEW PIPELINES.
- WE ALSO INCORPORATED AN ON-SITE SEPTIC SYSTEM, ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR A SEWAGE LINE.



## Just the Facts

### Energy Rhode Island Needs

#### *One third*

That's the amount of New England's total energy supply the region is expected to lose in the next decade, as old and dirty plants retire. The Clear River Energy Center will help New England meet the challenge of filling that gap. Renewables alone can't fill the shortage quickly enough. We'll need a mix of energy supplies, and the region's grid operator has already selected 485 MW – enough to power almost 218,000 homes – from this project to be part of the future energy mix for Rhode Island.

### Saving You Money

#### *Millions in savings*

Using the latest state-of-the-art technology from GE, Clear River Energy Center will convert natural gas to electricity more cleanly and efficiently than any other power plant in New England. Ultimately, that will save you money on your electric bill by providing more affordable energy. Our estimate: millions in savings over just the first four years of operations.

### Reducing Emissions

#### *190,000 cars off the road*

New, cleaner and more efficient energy also means cleaner air for Rhode Islanders. The majority of our energy today comes from plants that are 40 – even 60 – years old. The Clear River Energy Center will replace older, dirtier plants, helping to reduce regional emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> by over 1 million tons annually. That's like taking 190,000 cars off the road each year.

### A Sensible Water Solution

#### *Designed to minimize traffic*

We will need just two to three truck deliveries to get water from Johnston to supply the plant on a typical day – far less deliveries than your average grocery store. These water deliveries will travel along state roads for the entirety of their journey to Wallum Lake Road, where the project is located. With air cooling, recycling, and reusing water we've reduced our water use to the lowest possible level – 90 percent less than similar plants in the region.

### A Smart, Compact Site

#### *Well-buffered*

The Clear River Energy Center will be sited on just 20 acres of a 67-acre site, well-buffered by woods. We're working with permitting authorities to ensure our evening lighting plan meets local standards. Existing natural gas and transmission lines are adjacent, minimizing the amount of land that's needed for new pipes or lines. Very few sites in New England have this combination of attributes, making this a smart location for the new plant.

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# AN Invenergy OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 6-8 P.M.

BURRILLVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA  
2220 BRONCOS HIGHWAY, HARRISVILLE



**CLEAR RIVER**  
ENERGY CENTER

BURRILLVILLE, RHODE ISLAND

A BENEFICIAL PROJECT FOR BURRILLVILLE  
AFFORDABLE ENERGY FOR RHODE ISLAND

### **We heard you.**

Since our last Open House, we've made a number of significant changes to the project, and have reached a tax agreement with the Town of Burrillville.

**\$90+ Million for Burrillville:** Our tax agreement will bring the town \$94 million in new revenue over the next 20 years, making us one of Burrillville's largest taxpayers. That's millions of needed dollars to reduce your heavy tax burden or invest in schools, town services and infrastructure.

**New water source:** We've also identified Johnston as our water supplier. We won't utilize the contaminated Pascoag wells, or place any strain on local water supplies. And we've reduced the amount of water the facility needs. That eliminates the need for any new sewer or pipeline infrastructure. The plant can be served by just 2 to 3 truckloads of water on a typical day.

**Less oil:** We've cut in half the number of days per year Clear River could run on backup fuel.

Please join us for refreshments and Q&A with Invenergy staff and other experts.

[www.clearriverenergycenter.com](http://www.clearriverenergycenter.com)

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[t @clearriverec](https://twitter.com/clearriverec)

# We Heard You.

## *Our Goals...*

Be a good neighbor

Address community concerns

Create jobs, lower electric costs and help businesses grow



**CLEAR RIVER**  
ENERGY CENTER

## Being a good neighbor:

- ✓ We signed a \$94 million agreement with Burrillville. These are dollars Burrillville needs to fill a budget deficit, avoid rising taxes and support local schools.

## Addressing your concerns:

- ✓ We redesigned the plant to use far less water, and identified a new water source after residents raised concerns about use of the shuttered Pascoag wells.
- ✓ We reduced the number of days this facility could run on backup fuel, in response to concerns about emissions.

## Creating jobs, lowering rates, spurring business:

- ✓ Construction of this project will create over 300 family sustaining construction jobs, and over 20 good-paying permanent positions in the local community.
- ✓ This project will help to lower electric rates in Burrillville and throughout the state, helping Rhode Islanders save over \$200 million in the first four years of operation.
- ✓ Lower energy rates will allow Rhode Island businesses to expand, attract new companies and grow the number of good-paying jobs in the state.

**To show your support, call or write:  
278-4402 or [info@clearriverenergycenter.com](mailto:info@clearriverenergycenter.com)**

Paid for by Clear River Energy Center LLC.

Renewing of Clear River Energy Center driveway.

Join us

# FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE

**When:** Thursday, March 2, 6-8 pm

**Where:** Burrillville Middle School  
2220 Broncos Highway, Burrillville

**Why:** We'll have experts on hand to answer questions and provide project updates.

\* Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be served.

Invenrgy LLC  
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April 12, 2017

I am writing to you today to share some updates on the Clear River Energy Center and to find out about your business to learn how we might be able to work with you.

During the past several months, we have made significant changes to our proposed plan in response to community feedback.

- We signed a \$94,000,000 agreement with Burrillville that can be used to lower taxes, improve schools and repair local infrastructure.
- We have reduced the plant's water use and changed the source, so we will no longer be using the contaminated Pascoag wells.
- We have reduced the number of days the plant may run on back-up fuel.

We know that residents of Burrillville are concerned about the environment. As are we. CREC will help to supplant older, less-efficient plants in New England, reducing regional emissions and facilitating the transition to a clean energy future.

Importantly, we will drive down Rhode Island's electricity rate, the fourth highest in the nation, saving businesses and consumers more than \$200 million over the first four years of operations alone. Lower energy rates will allow Rhode Island businesses to expand, attract new companies, and grow the number of good-paying jobs.

Additionally, construction of this facility will bring hundreds of skilled craftspeople to the Burrillville community over the course of two to three years. They will dine at local restaurants and purchase local goods and services, a boon to area businesses. Towns across the country, like Jessup, Pennsylvania, where we're building a similar facility, have seen a surge in local business thanks to such activity.

We are beginning to build a list of preferred vendors in the area. Please take a moment to fill out the attached postcard if you would like to be added to our list. Please note, we will not publicize this list without your express consent.

We are committed to being a good neighbor and valuable member of the Burrillville business community. We welcome your feedback and hope to hear from you soon.

Best wishes,

Kerrie Bennett  
Community Liaison  
[info@clearriverenergycenter.com](mailto:info@clearriverenergycenter.com)  
(401) 278-4402



## **Quick Facts: The Clear River Energy Center**

### **What is the Clear River Energy Center?**

Invenenergy is proposing to invest nearly \$1 billion to build the Clear River Energy Center natural gas-fired power plant on 20 acres in the Town of Burrillville. Using the industry's most advanced technology, the Clear River Energy Center will be among the cleanest and most efficient power plants in the country and, when fully built, could generate roughly 900 megawatts of energy for the region. Construction could start in 2018, with the first unit up and running by 2019.

Local project benefits will include:

**Tax Revenue:** This project will contribute \$94 million in tax revenue for the Town of Burrillville over the life of the project. It will be one of Burrillville's **largest taxpayers**.

**Good local jobs:** The Clear River Energy Center will hire more than **300 local** construction workers – primarily members from Rhode Island's local labor unions – to build the facility. And we'll create **25 new, permanent, well-paid jobs** once the facility is operational.

### **Why do we need a new power plant in Rhode Island?**

New England faces a looming energy shortfall – 4,200 megawatts will be coming off the grid by 2019, and a total of 10,000 MW in the next decade. That's roughly 30 percent of the energy New England needs on a daily basis. The region's independent electric grid manager, ISO-New England, recently warned that the region is at-risk of not having enough reliable energy supplies. ISO's president and CEO has said that the grid may need to “employ suboptimal solutions” to meet demand, and that could mean keeping aging and expensive power plants like Brayton Point online.

Renewable energy and efficiency alone can't fill the looming gap. We need a diversified energy mix, and it's clear natural gas must play a role in that energy portfolio. ISO-New England clearly sees the need for Clear River to be part of that future mix: The grid operator selected 485 megawatts of energy from our project in its auction for 2019 supplies. No new generation was selected in this year's auction, but we expect to bid in future auctions to provide additional megawatts to the grid.

The state's Public Utilities Commission's opinion on the project confirmed the need for the Clear River Energy Center to “meet Rhode Island's clean energy goals.” The PUC's opinion stated that “CREC is needed in order to meet the electric generation reliability needs of Southeastern New England and Rhode Island consumers” and that “energy efficiency and renewable energy supply cannot, at this time, reliably meet the need for which CREC will be built.”

### **Where does the power generated at Clear River end up?**

The power we generate at the Clear River Energy Center will supply the regional grid serving Rhode Island and the other Southeastern New England states only. Like other states across the country, Rhode Island is served by a dynamic, regional energy system. In Rhode Island's case, the system is controlled by independent grid operators ISO-New England, which is tasked with managing energy demand and supplies across the region on a minute-to-minute basis.

### **What will this project mean for my electric bill?**

The Clear River Energy Center will bring down energy and capacity prices, which will lead to lower electricity rates in Rhode Island – more than **\$210 million in Rhode Island ratepayer savings** in just the first four years of operations. The state’s PUC determined the project will provide “meaningful savings” in the capacity market as well as “savings to wholesale energy prices in New England, the effects of which should benefit Rhode Island consumers.”

**How was this site chosen?**

The location of our proposed site, off Wallum Lake Road, is zoned for power generation and is close to a major gas pipeline and electrical lines. The site is well buffered by woods and more than 1,800 feet from the nearest residence. Taken together, these factors make this a potentially good fit for a power plant.

**Where will Invenenergy get its water?**

We’ve identified the Town of Johnston as our water supplier, eliminating the plan to use the contaminated Pascoag wells. Our amended proposal cuts our water use by 100,000 gallons a day. The water will be delivered by **2 to 3 trucks per typical day**, and that means we won’t have to tear up local roads to construct any new pipelines.

**What will this project mean for air quality and Rhode Island’s climate goals?**

The Clear River Energy Center will be among the cleanest natural gas plants in the country – running much more efficiently than New England and New York’s existing power plants. By displacing those older, less efficient power plants, we’ll reduce carbon emissions in the region by more than **one million tons each year**.

The Resilient Rhode Island Act establishes economy-wide emissions goals for Rhode Island. Rhode Island is a small state geographically and interconnected to the New England electric grid. To meet the goals of the Act, reductions must be viewed on a regional basis. This approach is consistent with the Act, which obligates the Climate Change Coordinating Council to “work with other New England states to explore areas of mutual interest to achieve common goals,” recognizing the regional nature of greenhouse gas emissions reductions.

**What will be the visual and sound impacts?**

The project is set back from the nearest residence by more than 1,800 feet and surrounded by wooded buffer, so there will be little to no visible impact. Combined-cycle plants like this one do not emit any odor. Normal operation of the project will meet Town noise limits (the ambient noise level in the neighborhood is currently above that limit).

**What about truck traffic?**

The Clear River Energy Center will collaborate closely with town officials on our work plan to minimize disruptions during construction, and we’ll do that work only during daytime hours. A gas plant like this one requires little truck traffic during operation – much less traffic than the Ocean State Power facility.

**What will this project mean for property values?**

We do not anticipate any negative impacts to property values in town. Our infusion of tax revenue will strengthen the Town’s tax base – and that could actually improve residential property values. As a further protection, we are offering a property value guarantee to a set of nearby households identified by town leaders.

**Learn more:**

**[www.clearriverenergycenter.com](http://www.clearriverenergycenter.com)**

**Twitter: @ClearRiverEC**

**Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Clear-River-Energy-Center/>**



## **Invenergy Names Two Supplemental Water Suppliers for Burrillville Energy Facility**

*Agreements with the Narragansett Indian Tribe and Benn Water  
Fulfills Requirement to Identify “Backup” Water Suppliers*

*Payments from Invenergy Will Provide Much-Needed New Revenue for Tribe*

**BURRILLVILLE, R.I., September 28, 2017** – Invenergy has reached water-supply agreements with both the Narragansett Indian Tribe and private water-trucking and supply company Benn Water & Heavy Transport.

As part of these long-term agreements, either the Narragansett Indian Tribe or Benn Water can serve as supplemental water suppliers for Invenergy’s proposed Clear River Energy Center in Burrillville, should the project ever require additional water resources beyond that provided by the primary supplier, the Town of Johnston.

State regulators had required Invenergy to identify one or more supplemental water suppliers as “backup” to the Johnston supply.

Each of these supplemental suppliers will receive annual payments from Invenergy, regardless of whether the project needs any of their supply.

If backup supplies are needed, the Narragansetts will draw from their existing water supply system on Tribal land. The Tribal lands are part of the lower Wood River aquifer in the Pawcatuck Watershed, which the U.S. Geological Survey estimates has the potential to yield more than 6 million gallons per day – well beyond the needs of the Clear River Energy Center.

“We are fortunate to have plentiful water supplies on our reservation, and so it makes a lot of economic sense for us to serve as a backup provider for the Clear River Energy Center,” said John Brown, Narragansett Indian Tribe Medicine Man. “This provides the Tribe with a steady source of much-needed new revenue that we can use to support our community.”

Benn Water is the designated water transport company for the Clear River Energy Center, and has a long-term transportation contract with the Project. Benn is a family-owned Rhode Island business that has been transporting water for over 40 years.

Invenergy previously reached an agreement with Johnston that will provide the town with more than \$18 million over the next 20 years to be the Clear River Energy Center's primary water supplier.

"Attorneys representing opponents to our project have tried to make much of a lawsuit they filed that challenges our agreement with Johnston," said Michael Blazer, Chief Legal Officer for Invenergy. "While we remain fully committed to Johnston, and believe, as others do, that the lawsuit has no merit, these backup agreements make it clear that the lawsuit is functionally irrelevant to Clear River's water needs and the EFSB process."

Invenergy will need just two to three truck deliveries to get water from Johnston to the plant on a typical day – far less deliveries than your average grocery store. These water deliveries will travel along state roads for the entirety of their journey to Wallum Lake Road, where the project will be located.

The Clear River Energy Center will require, on average, approximately 15,000 gallons of water per day. With air cooling, recycling and reusing water, Invenergy has reduced the project's water use to the lowest possible level – 90 percent less than similar plants in the region.

The Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board is currently reviewing Invenergy's proposal to build the 900-megawatt Clear River Energy Center.

Invenergy's nearly \$1 billion investment in the project represents the largest-ever economic development project in Rhode Island. Invenergy will employ hundreds of new workers to build and operate the project, and save Rhode Island electric ratepayers millions of dollars.

In addition to the financial payments to the Town of Johnston and the Narragansetts, the Clear River Energy Center will generate more than \$90 million in new tax revenue for host community Burrillville.

### **About Invenergy**

Invenergy and its affiliated companies develop, own and operate large-scale renewable generation, natural gas and clean energy storage facilities in North America and Europe. Invenergy is North America's largest independent wind power generation company, with its home office in Chicago and regional development offices in the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, and Mexico. For more information, please visit [www.invenergyllc.com](http://www.invenergyllc.com).

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