

Bianco, Todd (PUC)

From: jmor1017@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 2:13 PM
To: Bianco, Todd (PUC)
Subject: Clear River Energy Center Project. Proposed Power Plant

Dear Sir,

My name is Julia O'Rourke and I reside at 1065 Wallum Lake Road, Burrillville Rhode Island. I live in the immediate vicinity (less than ¼ mile) of the proposed Clear River Energy Center Project. My entire family also lives in close proximity to this proposed power plant. I grew up in the Town of Burrillville and after college I purchased a home in Cranston, Rhode Island. In 2005, I decided to purchase and renovate my grandmother's house, my dream home with hopes of growing old there. I moved back to rural Burrillville to be closer to my family and because of the environmental factors and my quality of life. I have a genuine interest in preserving my personal property rights and I am concerned about the adverse economic impact this will have on my property value. In addition, because of the close proximity of the project to my home, I have serious concerns of the negative impact it will have on my and my family's health (air emissions, water, and noise), safety (security, traffic) and the quality of life due to the noise and traffic during the construction and long term site operation. Specifically, in the past year, I have experienced excessive noise and vibrations coming from the Algonquin Compressor Station site which this project will be located next to. The noise and vibrations emanating from this site are extremely disruptive and negatively impacting our health and we are unable to sleep or enjoy the peace and quiet of our home. I am concerned that the noise levels and vibrations are only going to increase during the construction and operational phase of this project. We are greatly concerned about the pollution and the dangerous toxins that this plant will emit. I am afraid if this plant is approved, I and other family members will have no choice but to move. I have four siblings and my parents that all own a house within a mile of this proposed plant. We are a close knit family; we are always helping each other. Our family will suffer greatly if this power plant is approved. My family should be enjoying our homes, each other and going about our daily lives but instead we are fighting for our homes and our town. We are up nights worried about our future and deciding what is in the best interest of our family if this plant is approved. We have all decided that we will move out of the Town of Burrillville and the State of Rhode Island that we love so dearly. That will be a total of 6 families and their children, future generations leaving what we love and have worked so hard for. I hope and pray the citing board hear our cries and oppose this power plant in our State.

Respectfully,
Julia M. O'Rourke