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To: Connecticut General Assembly, Energy and Technology Committee

From: Nuclear Matters

Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2017

Subject: Written Testimony Regarding Proposed S.B. No. 106 AN ACT CONCERNING ZERO-CARBON ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES AND ACHIEVING CONNECTICUT'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS MANDATED LEVELS

Nuclear Matters is a coalition that works to inform the public and policymakers about the clear benefits of nuclear energy. The coalition supports policy solutions that properly value nuclear energy as a reliable, affordable, safe and carbon-free electricity resource that is essential to America's energy future.

Nuclear Matters supporters in Connecticut and across the nation strongly endorse Connecticut's proposed legislation that will level the playing field for all energy sources in Connecticut, including nuclear energy, creating a more competitive environment to reduce rates and help consumers.

The following are comments Nuclear Matters received from Connecticut residents in support of the legislation:

Francis Seymour
Roxbury, Connecticut

If Connecticut is going to intervene in the electric power markets, paying subsidies for "clean and renewable" power at exorbitant rates, then Connecticut should certainly be willing to support the one power source that represents 90% of the carbon-free electricity in the state – nuclear power and the Millstone Station. If this isn't done, the result will not be more "clean and renewable" power, but more gas-fired turbines. And the state (as well as New England) is already constrained in natural gas supplies. The examples set by New York and Illinois legislatures should be a model for Hartford. If you're serious about reducing carbon output, then you have to support nuclear power wholeheartedly; if not, stop all the subsidies for solar and wind facilities.

Joseph Fougere
North Stonington, Connecticut

Connecticut needs the safe, carbon-free electricity produced by the Millstone Nuclear Plants. I urge you to put forth and pass legislation that would allow Dominion to sell the electricity produced by Millstone directly to Eversource and remove the middleman.

Christopher Kokis
Monroe, Connecticut

Clean nuclear power is the obvious solution to the energy needs of Connecticut residents. I'm a strong supporter of continued growth in this sector. Talented American engineers have designed the next

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generation of safe nuclear power plants. We should promote the continued safe operation of Millstone, and encourage the introduction of latest technology, which has so much to offer.

Paul Barron
Storrs, Connecticut

Thank you for some sanity! President John F Kennedy said that the only problem with nuclear power was how we were going to charge it because it was so inexpensive to create. We should not only keep Millstone open we should be planning more nuclear power plants and join the modern world.

Tell the Connecticut legislature to support competitive rates and reliable, affordable & carbon-free energy production!