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### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Building Department, Office of the Building Inspector Town of Greece One Vince Tofany Blvd. Greece, NY 14612

Attn: Paul Czapranski, Technical Services Coordinator

RE: Application for a demolition permit from the Building Department by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation to abate and demolish the decommissioned Russell Station generating facility located at 1101 Beach Avenue Greece, New York.

#### Dear Paul:

On behalf of Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation ("RG&E"), we submit this application (see Exhibit A) for a Demolition Permit to allow RG&E to abate hazardous materials and demolish the Russell Station main plant and associated buildings and structures (collectively, the "Demolition & Remediation/Abatement (or D&R) Project," or the "Project") as more fully described in this application. The Russell Station D&R Project is located at 1101 Beach Avenue in the Town of Greece (the "Town"), on part of the larger RG&E-owned Property<sup>2</sup>.

In accordance with the requirements of the Town's Fire Prevention and Building Construction Code (the "Code"), the Project requires a Demolition Permit from the Town

Throughout these materials, we use the terms "demolition application/permit" and "building application/permit" interchangeably; however, the project is a demolition project.

The entire ~ 143 acre property owned by RG&E at this address is termed the "Property" while the smaller area to be disturbed by this Project is termed the "Site".

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Building Inspector. CODE § 114-8. Thus, please accept this letter and its exhibits and enclosures as RG&E's application for a Demolition Permit.

The Russell Station facility was completed in 1948 and operated through early 2008; it has not operated since that time. The facility is located on an approximately 143-acre parcel containing Russell Station, together with active electrical switch yards used for electrical transmission and distribution services to the Rochester region, and other facilities. Certain groundwater-related remedial operations also remain active at the Site. Exhibit B contains a series of Site Plans showing the location of the Russell Station portion of this RG&E owned Property. Exhibit C contains photographs of the buildings and structures to be abated and demolished. Exhibit D and its figure and shows the locations and lists each buildings and structure to be demolished with their approximate square footage.

Given that RG&E has no further use for this portion of the larger Russell Station Property for purposes of generating electricity, it intends to abate and dispose of hazardous materials and to demolish the remaining main plant buildings and structures in compliance with applicable laws. Exhibit E contains a Summary of the Project's Technical Specifications. RG&E provided a full set of the Project's Technical Specifications to the Town in November 2013 and responded to Town Staff's questions on those specifications at a pre-application meeting held on January 8, 2014.

As more fully detailed in the Hazardous Materials Abatement and Disposal specifications attached as Exhibit F, the Asbestos Survey attached as Exhibit G, and the Hazardous Materials Surveys attached as Exhibit H, potentially hazardous materials are present within Russell Station buildings and/or incorporated into the structural components of the Station's structures, roofs, and associated outbuildings. These will be abated as part of the demolition process. In addition, in 2008 RG&E had a Phase 2 Environmental Assessment (2008 Assessment) done on the Site, which was updated in 2013 (2013 Supplemental Assessment) in preparation for this Project. Exhibit I contains the Executive Summary of the 2013 Supplemental Assessment, which incorporates information from the 2008 Assessment.

With the exception of the removal of the railroad crossing on Ling Road and any subsequent required repair of Ling Road, the D&R Project will be performed completely within the parcel boundaries of the Property, and will typically occur between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., Mondays through Fridays. Similarly, with the exception of transporting Project-related materials to and from the Property and the removal of the Ling Road railroad crossing, Project work is not expected to encroach into any public right of way. Exhibit J contains excerpts from the transportation-related Project specifications and includes figures showing the established project-related truck traffic patterns to and from the Property.

Once abatement and demolition is completed, the former generating Station portion of the Property will become open space. It will be re-vegetated and graded to promote infiltration and natural stormwater drainage through existing designated channels and pipes. Exhibit K contains a summary description of the anticipated End State at the Project Site.

Exhibit L contains the currently anticipated D&R Project schedule. This schedule will be continually refined and, thus, may change as the Project progresses. Exhibit M includes a completed Part 1 of the new Full Environmental Assessment Form ("FEAF").

A complete listing of the Exhibits to this application are below.

## **Exhibits**

Exhibit A: Completed Town Building Permit Application Form;

Exhibit B: Site Plan (3 sets of signed and stamped 24" by 36" plans provided with the

original application with 11 x 17 for the other hard copies - the compact

disk ("CD") includes a complete set of these drawings);

Exhibit C: Photographs of the Russell Station structures;

Exhibit D: Table and figure showing the buildings and structures to be demolished

and the approximate square footage of each of the buildings;

<u>Exhibit E:</u> Summary of the Project's Technical Specifications;

Exhibit F: Hazardous Substance Abatement and Disposal-related Project

Specifications prepared by LiRo Group;

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<u>Exhibit H</u>: Several other Hazardous Material Surveys (on CD only);

Exhibit I: Executive Summary of the 2013 Supplemental Phase 2 Environmental

Assessment:

Exhibit J: Excerpts from Traffic and Transportation Specifications;

<u>Exhibit K</u>: Summary of Anticipated End State;

Exhibit L: Anticipated D&R Project Schedule; and

Exhibit M: Completed Full EAF Form, Part 1, with Appendices.

RG&E is in the process of engaging a D&R Contractor ("Contractor"). Once the Contractor is engaged, RG&E will provide the following:

- A Project-specific Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan; and
- Certificates of Insurance for the Contractor (Liability and Workers' Compensation).

Please confirm the applicable permit application fees, and we will remit payment when due.

Based upon the foregoing, we respectfully request that the Town grant the requested Demolition Permit for the Project once the Contractor is selected and the additional materials referenced herein are submitted to, and reviewed by, the Town. In the meantime, please start the SEQRA process as soon as possible, by, as the Town has informed us it anticipates doing, initiating the process of naming the Office of the Building Inspector as the Lead Agency.

Six (6) complete copies of this application package are being submitted herewith. Please distribute these materials as appropriate.

Further, please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Thomas C. Greiner Jr.

Tom Greiner

Enclosures

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