

**BEFORE THE
NEW ORLEANS CITY COUNCIL**

IN RE: REVISED APPLICATION OF ENO)	DOCKET NO. UD-18-07
FOR A CHANGE IN ELECTRIC AND GAS)	
RATE IN THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS)	November 8, 2018
PURSUANT TO COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS)	
R-15-194 AND R-17-504 AND FOR)	
RELATED)	
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**The Building Science Innovators, LLC,
Support for Crescent City Power Users’ Group Motion for Extension of Time**

Building Science Innovators,,(“BSI”) supports the motion, filed by the Crescent City Power Users’ Group (“CCPUG”) on November 6, 2018 in Council Docket UD-18-07, for an extension of time to file direct testimony.

BSI is a New Orleans based company founded in 2004. BSI has a long and respectable record in New Orleans in general and its utility policy in particular since the time of its founding. Moreover, its principals, Norman Witriol, PhD and Myron Katz, PhD, have a decades old track record in relevant technology and public policy advocacy.

In the 1980’s Myron Katz, co-founded with four others, the GET NOPSIS BACK referenda that led to the regaining by New Orleans regulatory authority over its electric and gas utility.

During two years in 1980’s, Myron Katz, was the energy consultant to Billy Guste, then LA’s Attorney General. Dr Katz was hired to assist in the legal battle which successfully concluded that over \$2 billion spent on the construction of the River Bend nuclear plant was deemed an imprudent investment.

During 1990 through 2005, Dr Katz and Dr Witriol became nationally respected Building Science experts, particularly in the field of Energy Efficiency Retrofit to lower energy use in residential buildings.

In 2005, just months before Hurricane Katrina, Dr Katz and Dr Witriol were chosen within a small group of local experts to help lead, administer and develop the New Orleans Energy Efficiency to assist Honeywell, chosen to be the 3rd Party Administrator.

During 2006 through the end of 2007, Dr Katz and Dr Witriol were substantially in charge as co-leaders with members of the Alliance for Affordable Energy as behind the scenes, chief advisors to Pres Kabacoff and Councilwoman, Shelley Midura, in their efforts to lead the New Orleans Energy Policy Task Force... which produced the Energy Hawk, in Nov 2007, that among many other recommendations, initiated Integrated Resource Planning (IRP); which has happened every three years starting in 2008.

During the 2015 ENO IRP, BSI was an intervenor.

Within, 2016, BSI introduced many motions into the 2015 ENO IRP docket, including a motion to promote Community Solar and soon thereafter, BSI introduced three CLEP pilot motions.

BSI became an intervenor in the 2018 Rate Case Docket on Oct 18, 2018.

BSI filed its first Request for Information on November 5, 2018.

BSI's first data request was made to both ENO and the Advisors was

“BSI Request 1-1: Please all provide all documents that have been or should have been provided at the beginning of this docket to all participants and to all intervenors as they become intervenors which, according to requests for information by other intervenors and the advisors, apparently includes: the Period I Electric Cost of Service Study, the Period II Electric Cost of Service Study, Testimony of ENO witness Joshua Thomas, Testimony of ENO witness Orlando Todd, Testimony of ENO witness Andrew Owens, Revised Direct Testimony of Robert B. Hevert, Revised Direct Testimony of Donald J. Clayton, Revised Direct Testimony of Myra L. Talkington, Revised Direct Testimony of Phillip B. Gillam, etc. “

BSI has not received a response to that request from either ENO or the Advisors. BSI only received a response to its request by the Alliance for Affordable Energy, today, November 9th.

Thus, BSI is now at THE starting point more than a month behind most other intervenors – somewhat because of the less than timely response by ENO and the Advisors.

Thus, BSI believes that a 6-week extension for filing testimony is fair.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



Myron Katz, PhD
Building Science Innovators, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon the Official Service List via electronic mail.

New Orleans, Louisiana this 5th day of November 2018



Myron Katz, PhD