

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of April 16, 2015

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, April 16, 2015, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Philip T. Ashton
Michael W. Klemens
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Barbara Currier Bell
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman House)

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Supervising Siting Analyst
Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst

Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Mathews

Minutes of April 2, 2015.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of April 2, 2015, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET 192B- CPV Towantic, LLC Motion to Reopen and Modify the June 23, 1999 Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b) for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 785 MW dual-fuel combined cycle electric generating facility located north of the Prokop Road and Towantic Hill Road intersection in the Town of Oxford, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.

Council members reviewed the draft Findings of Fact. Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Ashton, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Hannon, and Chairman Stein stated they each read transcripts of hearings they missed. Revisions to the draft Findings of Fact will be reviewed at the next meeting.

DOCKET NO. 453 – American Tower Corporation and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Manchester Tax Assessor Map 133, Block 3700, Lot 701, 701 Lydall Street, Manchester, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion and Decision and Order, as amended, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed with Mr. Levesque abstaining.

DOCKET NO. 458 – Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at one of two locations at Bethel Tax Assessor's Map 65, Block 57, Lot 122, 62-64 Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Intervenor Status, Motion for Protective Order.

Dr. Klemens moved to deem the application as complete, approve the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Carriann Mulcahy as the custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the Town of Bethel, and a public field review and hearing in the Town of Bethel on Tuesday, June 2, 2015; seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Motion for Protective Order, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve Intervenor status to New Cingular Wireless PCS, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1140 – Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed reconductoring of a portion of an existing 115-kV transmission line extending from Barbour Hill Substation in South Windsor to Manchester Substation in Manchester, Connecticut and modifications to Barbour Hill Substation and Manchester Substation. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition, with the following conditions:

1. Landscaping at Barbour Hill Substation through a landscaping plan to be submitted to the Council; and
2. Eversource shall ensure adequate security measures are installed for the project, including material used for equipment enclosures.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1144 – Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Home Depot USA, Inc., petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the location and construction of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell to be located at the Home Depot store at 104 Danbury Road, New Milford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1145 – Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Home Depot USA, Inc., petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the location and construction of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell to be located at the Home Depot at 816 Hartford Turnpike, Waterford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1149 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 109 Federal Road, Danbury, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Tuesday, April 21, 2015, beginning at **2:00 p.m. (field review)/3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m. public hearing** for Docket No. 456 at the Plymouth Town Hall, Downstairs Meeting Room, 80 Main Street, Terryville, Connecticut.
- Thursday, April 23, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m. evidentiary hearing** for Petition No. 1120 at the Connecticut Siting Council, Hearing Room One, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, April 30, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, May 14, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Tuesday, May 19, 2015, beginning at **2:00 p.m. (field review)/3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m. public hearing** for Docket No. 457 at the Monroe Town Hall, Council Chambers, 7 Fan Hill Road, Monroe, Connecticut.
- Thursday, May 28, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/lm