



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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## Meeting Minutes

### Meeting of May 23, 2019

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, May 23, 2019, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Presiding Officer Robert Silvestri at 1:02 p.m.

#### Council Members Present:

Robert Silvestri  
Presiding Officer  
Edward Edelson  
Michael Harder  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Robert Hannon  
(designee for Commissioner Dykes)  
Larry Levesque  
(designee for Chairman Gillett)

#### Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director/Staff Attorney  
Fred Cunliffe  
Supervising Siting Analyst  
Ifeyanichukwu Nwankwo  
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh  
Supervising Siting Analyst  
Robert Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst

#### Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

#### 1. Minutes of May 9, 2019.

Mr. Harder moved to approve the minutes of May 9, 2019; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levesque arrived.

#### 2. **DOCKET NO. 461A - Eversource Energy Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115-kilovolt (kV) bulk substation located at 290 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut, and two 115-kV transmission circuits extending approximately 2.3 miles between the proposed substation and the existing Cos Cob Substation, Greenwich, Connecticut, and related substation improvements. Indian Harbor Crossing Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **DOCKET NO. 470B - NTE Connecticut, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 550-megawatt dual-fuel combined cycle electric generating facility and associated electrical interconnection switchyard located at 180 and 189 Lake Road, Killingly, Connecticut. Reopening of this application based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). Draft Findings of Fact.**

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Mr. Silvestri conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Edelson, Mr. Levesque, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Hannon, and Mr. Silvestri in favor of approving the proposed project, and Mr. Harder voting to deny the project.

Mr. Silvestri directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order to be reviewed at the next meeting.

4. **DOCKET NO. 485 - MCM Holdings, LLC and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility at one of two sites: 1542 Boston Post Road or at the end of Kirtland Street, Westbrook, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the motion for protective order; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PETITION NO. 1367 - CP Middletown Solar I, LLC and CP Middletown Solar II, LLC, petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and a 0.986-megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 30 acres comprised of six abutting parcels located northeast of the intersection of Higby Road and Meriden Road (Route 66), west of Ballfall Road (Route 217) and south of Sisk Street in Middlefield and Middletown, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

Mr. Hannon moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1368 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as agent for the City of Milford, petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 900-kilowatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at the Beaverbrook Wastewater Treatment Plant, 75 Deerwood Avenue, Milford, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report and the recommendation that the emergency power off mechanism, electrical disconnect, and the manual natural

gas valve be located at a height of at least 14 feet above mean sea level; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **PETITION NO. 1370 - The United Illuminating Company (UI) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for replacement of its existing No. 1720 Line Relay in order to comply with the Northeast Power Coordinating Council's Implementation Plan on the ISO New England, Inc. Bulk Power System between Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy's Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut and UP's Hawthorne Substation located at 180 Hawthorne Drive, Fairfield, Connecticut and related substation improvements. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Levesque moved to grant Party status to the Town of Fairfield; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **TS-T-MOBILE-088-190402 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 641 Maple Hill Road, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Hannon moved to deny without prejudice this tower share request; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **TS-DISH-144-190422 - Dish Network Northeast, LLC (Dish) request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 800 Booth Hill Road, Trumbull, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **TS-CING-054-190501 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 63 Woodland Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 11. **Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar dates were discussed:

- Docket No. 485 Thursday, May 30, 2019, **public hearing** beginning with a **2:00 p.m. public field review, a 3:00 p.m. evidentiary hearing session, and a 6:30 p.m. public comment session** at the Theresa Mulvey Municipal Center, Multi-purpose Room, 866 Boston Post Road, Westbrook, Connecticut.

- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, June 6, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, June 20, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. **CANCELED.**

Council member vacancies and pending legislation were also discussed.

**Adjournment.**

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

Presiding Officer Silvestri adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Melanie A. Bachman**  
**Executive Director**

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