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PETITION NO. 1697 – CEFIA Holdings, LLC (Petitioner) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.7-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at the Connecticut Department of Transportation Headquarters, 2710-2880 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Attorney Bachman,

The Council on Environmental Quality (Council) offers the following comment regarding Petition 1697.

The Council voted to express its strong support for the development of the solar photovoltaic “carport system” that is proposed for the existing parking area that serves the Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) headquarters administration buildings in Newington. The Council commends the Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) for its commitment to clean energy and the example it has set for the entire state.

Thank you for your consideration of the Council’s comment.

Sincerely,

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