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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 30, 2021

TO: Service List, dated July 13, 2021

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 505** – Haddam Quarter Solar, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 2.8-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located south of Haddam Quarter Road and north of Johnson Lane, Durham, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Connecticut Siting Council's notice of public hearing for the above-referenced matter.

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c: Secretary of the State
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and Sections 149-150 of Public Act No. 21-2, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, beginning with an evidentiary session at 2:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will be on an application from Haddam Quarter Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 2.8-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located south of Haddam Quarter Road and north of Johnson Lane, Durham, Connecticut. The purpose of the hearing is to receive evidence on the applicant's assertions that the public benefit for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility. The 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the applicant, parties and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. **No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.** The 6:30 p.m. public comment session is reserved for the public to make statements into the record. Public statements are limited to 3 minutes. During the 6:30 p.m. public comment session, the applicant will present an overview of the proposed facility.

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/97629853240?pwd=MmtqbzdnYzFqbjNMalNYYIRsd2FnQT09>

from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. **Meeting ID: 976 2985 3240 and Passcode: h4urQR**

No prior software download is required. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at **1(929) 205-6099 (not toll free)** and then enter the **Meeting ID: 976 2985 3240 and Passcode: 400424** from a telephone.

Interested persons may join any session to listen, but must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session.

To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by computer, smartphone or tablet**, please send an email to siting.council@ct.gov with your name, email address and mailing address by **September 21, 2021**. To participate in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by telephone**, please leave a voicemail message at 860-827-2935 with your name, telephone number, and mailing address by **September 21, 2021**. Public comments may also be submitted to the Council by electronic mail or by regular mail.

Any person may be removed from the Zoom remote evidentiary session or public comment session at the discretion of the Council.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed electronically with the Council and all parties and intervenors by September 21, 2021.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at siting.council@ct.gov, on or before September 21, 2021.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days of the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be posted on the Council's project webpage and deposited in the Town Clerk's Office of the Durham Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by September 21, 2021.

Information about how the public hearing will be conducted and how the public can access it will be posted on the Council's Docket No. 505 project webpage at the following link:

https://portal.ct.gov/CSC/1_Applications-and-Other-Pending-Matters/Pending-Matters

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

Haddam Quarter Solar, LLC

Its Representative

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
Robinson & Cole LLP
280 Trumbull Street
Hartford, CT 06103-3597

A copy of the application is available for review on the Council's website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 505.



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TO: Commissioner Katie Dykes
Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection

Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt
Department of Agriculture

Acting Commissioner Deidre Gifford
Department of Public Health

Peter Hearn, Executive Director
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Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

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Office of Policy and Management

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Department of Economic and
Community Development

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Bureau of Engineering and Construction
Department of Transportation

Robert Bruno, Director of Planning,
Engineering & Environmental
Connecticut Airport Authority

Kevin Dillon, Executive Director
Connecticut Airport Authority

Todd Levine
Historian/Environmental Reviewer
State Historic Preservation Office

Commissioner James C. Rovella
Department of Emergency Services
and Public Protection

Commissioner Michelle H. Seagull
Department of Consumer Protection

Interim Commissioner Danté Bartolomeo
Department of Labor

Commissioner Josh Geballe
Department of Administrative Services

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

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Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50j(g), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits written comments on the above-referenced application. A response by September 21, 2021 would be appreciated. Additional written comments may be submitted at any time while the application is pending until the evidentiary record closes.

You may access the application and other documents for this proceeding, including the application schedule, on our website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters."

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TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor
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The Middletown Press
100 Gando Drive
New Haven, CT 06513
nhlegals@hearstmediact.com

FROM: Lisa A. Mathews, Office Assistant

RE: **DOCKET NO. 505** – Haddam Quarter Solar, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 2.8-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located south of Haddam Quarter Road and north of Johnson Lane, Durham, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than **TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE**. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please respond to siting.council@ct.gov with the quote at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council
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The Honorable Laura L. Francis
First Selectman
Town of Durham
Town Hall
3 Town House Road
Durham, CT 06422-0428
lfrancis@townofdurhamct.org

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Dear First Selectman Francis:

Pursuant to Sections 149-150 of Public Act No. 21-2, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled the public hearing in connection with the above-referenced matter as a **remote public hearing via Zoom Conferencing to be held on September 28, 2021**. Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50m, at least one public hearing session shall be held after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public.

The Council invites municipal participation at the remote public hearing. Municipal officials may request Party or Intervenor Status to actively participate in the evidentiary session, present oral statements to the Council during the remote public comment session or submit written statements to the Council at any time up to 30 days after the close of the evidentiary record.

Our staff is available to assist you in understanding our process and your options. In the event that you have legal questions, please contact me at (860) 827-2951.

The Council weighs many issues before rendering its decisions. We encourage you to take part in our public hearing process.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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Instructions for Public Access Docket No. 505 Remote Public Hearing
September 28, 2021
Evidentiary Session at 2 PM
Public Comment Session at 6:30 PM

PLEASE NOTE:

- Interested persons may join any session to listen, but **you must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session**
- Any person may be removed from the Zoom remote evidentiary session or public comment session at the discretion of the Council.
- All participants are requested to mute sound notifications on their computer, smartphone or tablet. Telephones are often equipped with a “do not disturb” feature for the dial-in option.

A. Evidentiary Session – 2 PM

1. Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:
<https://zoom.us/j/97629853240?pwd=MmtqbzdnYzFqbjNMaINYYIRsd2FnQT09> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. **Meeting ID# 976 2985 3240 and Passcode: h4urQR.** No prior software download is required.
2. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at **1(929) 205-6099 (not toll free)** and then enter the **Meeting ID: 976 2985 3240 and Passcode: 400424** from a telephone.
3. All microphones will be muted upon entry into the meeting and will be turned on in the order of party appearances and cross examination governed by the Hearing Program.
4. **No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.**

B. Public Comment Session – 6:30 PM

1. Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:
<https://zoom.us/j/97629853240?pwd=MmtqbzdnYzFqbjNMaINYYIRsd2FnQT09> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. **Meeting ID: 976 2985 3240 and Passcode: h4urQR.** No prior software download is required.
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3. **You must sign-up in advance to speak during the 6:30 p.m. public comment session. Statements will be limited to 3 minutes.**
 - a. If you anticipate participating in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by computer, smartphone or tablet**, please send an email to siting.council@ct.gov with your name, email address and mailing address by **September 21, 2021**.
 - b. If you anticipate participating in the **6:30 p.m. public comment session by telephone**, please leave a voicemail message at 860-827-2935 with your name, telephone number, and mailing address by **September 21, 2021**.
4. If the email and name of the person or the phone number and name of the person is not provided in writing to the Council in advance, they will not be admitted into the meeting.

5. All microphones will be muted upon entry into the meeting and will be turned on in the order in which people are signed up to speak.
6. Public comments may also be submitted to the Council by email at siting.council@ct.gov or by regular mail. Such written comments will be given the same weight as if spoken during the remote public comment session.