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Re: **Petition No. 1042: Somers Solar Center, LLC Petition for a Declaratory Ruling that No Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is Required for the Construction and Operation of a 5.0 MWac Solar Photovoltaic Project located at 458 & 488 South Road, Somers, Connecticut**

Dear Ms. Roberts:

In response to your March 8, 2013 memorandum, Somers Solar Center, LLC (“SSC”) offers the following revisions¹ with respect to errors or inconsistencies in the Connecticut Siting Council’s Draft Findings of Fact, dated February 19, 2013 (“Draft Findings”), in connection with the above-referenced matter:

Finding of Fact 6: SSC provided notice of its intent to file a petition with Council ~~via certified mail~~ to abutting property owners. (SSC 1, p. 10, fn. 5; Exhibit B).

Finding of Fact 7: SSC received return receipts from all abutting property owners to whom it sent notice of its petition filing via certified mail. (SSC 3, Response 1).

Finding of Fact 8: The record citation to support this finding should read: (SSC 1, pp. 10-11).

¹ Proposed revisions are reflected as: additions; ~~deletions~~.



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Finding of Fact 9: SSC provided ~~copies~~ notice of its application to all federal, state and local officials and agencies identified in CGS § 16-50/(b). (SSC 2, Certification of Notification, 11/30/12).

Finding of Fact 12: The record citation to support this finding should read: (Tr. 1, p. 2-~~ff~~; Tr. 2, p. 2).

Finding of Fact 17: Prior to filing its petition with the Council, SSC conducted numerous meetings with local officials and public briefings ~~with local officials~~ to inform them of its plans. These meetings included: regular briefings with local officials regarding site layout and project development; a presentation to the Somers Rotary Club on April 11, 2012; an informational filing submitted to the Town of Somers on May 29, 2012; a meeting with the town's Zoning Commission on June 4, 2012; a meeting with the town's Planning Commission on June 28, 2012; a public information meeting conducted on July 2, 2012 at the Somers town hall; and a meeting with the town's fire and rescue officials on September 11, 2012. (SSC 1, p. 10; SSC 3, Response 5).

Finding of Fact 26: The record citation to support this finding should read: (SSC 3, Exhibit B; Tr. 1, p. 7).

Finding of Fact 30: The record citation to support this finding should read: (SSC 1, pp. 1, 5; Tr. 1, pp. 27, 61).

Finding of Fact 32: The record citation to support this finding should read: (SSC 1, pp. 5-6; Exhibit C – pp. 5-6).

Finding of Fact 44: The project would include additional equipment, as needed, to monitor circuit voltage and to disconnect from the grid to protect the project's system during outages. (SSC 1, pp. 6-7).

Finding of Fact 46: The project would be interconnected to the CL&P distribution network at an existing 23kV distribution feeder located along South Road in Somers. The interconnection would be made in accordance with CL&P technical standards and the requirements of the State of Connecticut, ISO-New England (ISO-NE), and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The interconnection would consist of an approximately 500-foot distribution line to be strung at spans of approximately 100 feet on wooden poles approximately 50 feet high or to run underground along the access road, which would require a single new 50 foot high



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wooden pole. A switchyard that would include a SCADA room, inverters and their associated pads, and other related electrical equipment would be contained on an approximately 100-foot by 100-foot graded pad. (SSC 1, p. 7; Tr. 1, pp. 50-51)

Finding of Fact 54: The project would not generate any appreciable noise during its construction or operation. (SSC 1, p, 13).

SSC appreciates the opportunity to review and offer comments on the Draft Findings.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Joey Lee Miranda

