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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Melanie Bachman
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Re: Petition 1056: Petition of GRE 314 East Lyme, LLC Development and Management Plan (“D&M Plan”) for the Antares Solar Field a 5 MW Solar Photovoltaic Renewable Energy Generating Project on Grassy Hill Road and Walnut Hill Road in East Lyme, CT

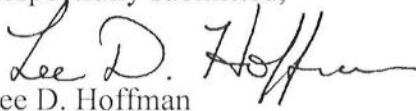
Dear Ms. Bachman:

I am writing to you on behalf of my client, GRE 314 East Lyme, LLC, in response to your information request of March 10, 2014. In that request, you had asked for submission of correspondence from CL&P related to CL&P’s need for access near its poles for this project. Enclosed is an original and fifteen (15) copies of a March 14, 2014 letter from CL&P to CENTERPLAN Construction Company, the project contractor for GRE 314 East Lyme, LLC, which delineates CL&P’s need for the access road as previously indicated in the petitioner’s proposed modification to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the project.

As the Council can see from the enclosed letter, CL&P indicates that the permanent access road off of Walnut Hill Road is a requirement of CL&P’s interconnection. According to the letter, the location of the roadway needs to be sufficiently close to the poles so that it will not interfere with bucket and digger truck operations. Accordingly, using a right-of-way in on the other side of the Tinker House will not allow CL&P with sufficient access to work on its poles. It should be noted that no other changes to the D&M Plan are contemplated at this time.

We trust that this information fully answers the Council’s inquiry. Should you have any questions concerning this submittal, please contact me at your convenience. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,


Lee D. Hoffman

cc: Town of East Lyme, Connecticut
Robert Mercier

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March 14, 2014

**RE: ROW Utility Roadway Requirement
CL&P project number 510395
East Lyme Solar Array
Walnut Hill Road
Town of East Lyme**

Dear Mr. McNamara:

I am submitting this letter to officially inform you of Connecticut Light and Power's requirement of a permanent access road in the Right of Way area off of Walnut Hill Road. The current access road thru the Tinker property is insufficient since it does not provide for the correct utility emergency and maintenance working distances. The location of the roadway needs to be under the overhead utility pole line in order to allow a correct working distance for bucket and digger truck operation. The permanent access road is required to facilitate distribution pole line installation. The permanent roadway is also required for distribution pole line maintenance. CL&P requires maintenance access to the 11Y1-63R automatic recloser, the solar park three phase fusing, underground cables, overhead cables and main switch gear. Elimination of a permanent access road will severely reduce the ability to service and repair the Solar Array interconnection equipment for Connecticut Light and Power as well as other utilities.

Please contact me in our New London office at (860) 447-5739 with any questions concerning this project.

Very truly yours,

Daniel Bettencourt

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Engineer – Construction Engineering

cc: Don Faford