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October 23, 2013

Ms. Melanie Bachman
Acting Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: PETITION NO. 1068

Dear Ms. Bachman:

I am writing to summarize the results of recent negotiations and discussions with Bloom Energy regarding Petition No. 1068 before the Connecticut Siting Council. After reviewing the following information:

- A. Sheet 1 of 1 of a plan entitled "Wall Exhibit" prepared by Core States Group, AT&T, and Bloomenergy, dated 7/26/13, as last revised 10/21/13.
- B. A Cover Letter dated October 18, 2013 from Douglas H. Bell of Cavanaugh Tocci Associates confirming compliance with the residential noise standards.
- C. A revised (10/11/2013) Environmental Sound Evaluation prepared by Cavanaugh Tocci Associates.

In view of the modifications to the original proposal represented in these plans that address noise impacts and visual appearance of the proposed fuel cell installation, I would like to withdraw my opposition to Petition # 1068 subject to the inclusion of the following conditions language (or similar wording to the same effect) in the Council's decision on this Petition:

1. A revised version of the October 18, 2013 letter from Douglas Bell of Cavanaugh Tocci Associates shall be submitted stating that "As indicated in the sound modeling results Figure 3, project related sound impacts have been reduced to 45 dBA or less at all know residential land usages, including all the residential units at 13 Washington Street, New London" instead of "As indicated in the sound modeling results Figure 3, project related sound impacts have been reduced to 45 dBA or less at all know residential land usages" and the revised letter shall be signed by a P.E. from Cavanaugh Tocci Associates.

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2. The revised (10/11/2013) Environmental Sound Evaluation shall be further revised to indicate the property at 13 Washington Street is treated for the purposes of the study as a Class A (residential) noise zone.
3. The approximately thirty-five foot (35') long, three foot (3') wide line of landscaping extending easterly from the proposed brick screening wall proposed on Sheet 1 of 1 of a plan entitled "Wall Exhibit" prepared by Core States Group, AT&T, and Bloomenergy, dated 7/26/13, as last revised 10/21/13, shall be replaced with an extension of the brick screening wall at a reduced height of six feet (6') or suitable perennial landscaping elements, possibly supported by a trellis framework, that will provide an unbroken visual barrier at least six feet (6') in height within one growing season.
4. The landscaping and fencing proposed on Sheet 1 of 1 of a plan entitled "Wall Exhibit" prepared by Core States Group, AT&T, and Bloomenergy, dated 7/26/13, as last revised 10/21/13 shall be maintained at all times at least to the same quality required at the time of planting or installation as indicated on the Plant Schedule or otherwise required.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if I can be of any other further assistance.

Sincerely,



Harry A. Smith, AICP
City Planner

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Constance Kristofik, New London Landmarks
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