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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 24, 2023

Steve Pearson  
Installation Project Manager  
VFS, LLC  
5287 Terex  
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[spearson@vfsmi.com](mailto:spearson@vfsmi.com)

RE: **EM-VFS-364-230620e** – VFS, LLC notice of intent to modify an existing energy facility located at Western Connecticut State University, 181 White Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Dear Steve Pearson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of completion of construction for the above-referenced facility on October 24, 2023. Thank you for providing this information.

The Council approved the above referenced request for exempt modification in a Decision Letter dated July 10, 2023 (enclosed) with the following condition:

Not less than 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed **along with a representative photograph of the facility modification**;

The completion notice does not contain a representative photograph of the facility modification.

Therefore, the completion notice is not in compliance with the conditions of approval at this time.

The Council recommends that VFS, LLC provide the above referenced documentation on or before November 24, 2023. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to November 24, 2023.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Council office at 860-827-2935.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director

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Enclosures: Notice of Completion dated October 24, 2023  
Council Decision Letter dated July 10, 2023

**From:** Steve Pearson <[spearson@vfsmi.com](mailto:spearson@vfsmi.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 24, 2023 10:54 AM

**To:** [dakota.lafountain@ct.go](mailto:dakota.lafountain@ct.go)

**Cc:** Bachman, Melanie <[Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov](mailto:Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov)>; CSC-DL Siting Council <[Siting.Council@ct.gov](mailto:Siting.Council@ct.gov)>; [mayor@danbury-ct.gov](mailto:mayor@danbury-ct.gov); Irene Aspras <[asprasi@wcsu.edu](mailto:asprasi@wcsu.edu)>; Todd Lukas <[lukast@wcsu.edu](mailto:lukast@wcsu.edu)>; Burke, Stephen <[Sburke@commnet.edu](mailto:Sburke@commnet.edu)>; Joe Dillon <[jdillon@vfsmi.com](mailto:jdillon@vfsmi.com)>

**Subject:** FW: Council Decision Letter: EM-VFS-364-230620e – Western Connecticut State University, 181 White Street, Danbury

Hi CT Siting Council, thanks for your responsive work on a maintenance event HyAxiom energy project. Attached is the final PTO Letter from Eversource on the replacement fuel cell at the WCSU Science Building. The fuel cell produces electricity and the thermal byproduct.

I believe this completes the project checklist on the attached proposed modification at the site:

3. Not less than 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed **along with a representative photograph of the facility modification;**

Please confirm, and we always appreciate your excellent work, Steve.

**STEVE PEARSON**

Green Energy Customer Financing Executive

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October 23, 2023

**Attention:** Beatrice Fevry

**Western Connecticut State University**  
90 Osborne St.,  
Danbury, CT 06810

**Regarding:** Authorization to energize the 400 kW inverter-based Fuel Cell installation with one (1) HyAxiom Pure Cell (Model 400 + Fuel Cell System ESM) inverter, for Western Connecticut University, located at 90 Osborne St., Danbury, CT 06810.

**Approval to Interconnect Date:** October 23, 2023

Dear Ms. Fevry,

This letter is an approval to energize of the above stated project to the Eversource system in accordance with the Interconnection Agreement. As stated in the Interconnection Agreement (enclosed) and the "Generator Interconnection Guidelines," the following items must be provided the Eversource Distributed Resources Group on a regular basis:

1. Annually: Provide a certificate of insurance as described in the enclosed interconnection agreement prior to the insurance expiration date. Please send it to [InsuranceCTDG@Eversource.com](mailto:InsuranceCTDG@Eversource.com) or to the following address by that date:

Eversource Distributed Resources  
107 Selden St.,  
Berlin, CT 06037

2. You are responsible for the periodic maintenance of the relays, interrupting devices, control schemes, and batteries that involve the protection of the EDC's system. Eversource may audit these reports, logs, and other material regarding the interconnection of the Generating Facility at its discretion.

Sincerely,

*Winston D. Brown, MBA*

Senior Analyst/Project Manager  
Distributed Energy Resources  
107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT 06037  
Tel: 860-665-3717

E-mail : [brownwd@eversource.com](mailto:brownwd@eversource.com)

CC : Carl Nowiszewski, Manager - Distributed Energy Resources  
Sarracco Mechanical Services, Inc.

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July 10, 2023

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RE: **EM-VFS-364-230620e** – VFS, LLC notice of intent to modify an existing energy facility located at Western Connecticut State University, 181 White Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Dear Steve Pearson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby acknowledges your notice to modify this existing energy facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-57 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies with the following conditions:

1. Any deviation from the proposed modification as specified in this notice and supporting materials with the Council shall render this acknowledgement invalid;
2. Any material changes to this modification as proposed shall require the filing of a new notice with the Council;
3. Not less than 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed **along with a representative photograph of the facility modification**;
4. The validity of this action shall expire one year from the date of this letter; and
5. VFS may file a request for an extension of time beyond the one year deadline provided that such request is submitted to the Council not less than 60 days prior to the expiration.

The proposed modifications are to be implemented as specified here and in your notice dated June 1, 2023. The modifications are in compliance with the exception criteria in Section 16-50j-57 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as changes to an existing facility site that would not extend the boundaries of the site beyond the existing fenced compound, increase the height of existing associated equipment, increase noise levels at the facility boundary by six decibels or more, or to levels that exceed state and local criteria, and manage electric and magnetic field levels at the site boundary in a manner that is inconsistent with the Council's Best Management Practices for Electric and Magnetic Fields.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council. Please be advised that the validity of this action shall expire one year from the date of this letter. Any additional change to this facility will require explicit notice to this agency pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-57.

Such notice shall include all relevant information regarding the proposed change including electric and magnetic field levels at the property boundaries of the property and compliance with the Council's Best Management Practices for Electric and Magnetic Fields. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: The Honorable Dean E. Esposito, Mayor, City of Danbury (mayor@danbury-ct.gov)