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August 1, 2013

Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Mr. Stein:

We represent the Town of South Windsor and the area of the Connecticut Studios' project at the State Legislature. The purpose of this letter is to extend our support and endorsement of the proposed location and site arrangement for the fuel cell power station ("Facility") proposed by CTS Energy, LLC. The fuel cell is an integral and key component of this vital economic development project. The State proposes significant investment in this project and our constituents strongly support this effort and the benefits it can provide in the way of jobs and economic activity.

Given all of the positive attributes of the Facility, and the Connecticut Studios project as a whole, we believe that the Facility adds positively and significantly to the Town's holistic economic development strategy.

The Town has worked collaboratively with the developer to complete a design that is in keeping with the standards of the Town. We request that the Siting Council implement its process as expeditiously as possible and without a public hearing which would only serve to add undue delay to this very worthwhile economic development project.

As stated above, this project will provide badly needed economic relief. For many, these economic times have caused great hardship and we look forward to this project coming to fruition as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Gary D. LeBeau
State Senator, 3rd District

Timothy Larson
State Representative, 11th District

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State Representative, 14th District



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MATTHEW B. GALLIGAN
Town Manager

August 2, 2013

Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Mr. Stein:

On behalf of the Town of South Windsor ("Town"), I wish to extend my support and endorsement of the proposed location and site arrangement for the fuel cell power station ("Facility") proposed by CTS Energy, LLC. The siting of this Facility is in keeping with the high standards for this area and our community. For example:

1. The Facility will be appropriately screened from view and protected against unintended entry. This will ensure not only aesthetic but also public safety concerns.
2. The Facility is located in a commercial area and is not adjacent to any residential property. The use is compatible with this commercial area.
3. The proposed site is not located in a sensitive or regulated area and makes good reuse of a vacant, underutilized, previously developed property.
4. Finally, the Facility will generate significant tax revenue in a very small footprint, making it an excellent land use choice from a tax revenue perspective.

Given all the positive attributes of the Facility, and the Connecticut Studios Project as a whole, the Town believes that the Facility adds positively and significantly to the Town's holistic economic development strategy.

The proposed fuel cell is an integral part of the overall Connecticut Studios Project which is of enormous importance to the Town of South Windsor. Moreover, as is described above, this project has benefitted from a very collaborative process between the developers and the Town which has led to a thoughtful design. In short this project is, in many ways, reflective of a bona fide partnership between the Town of South Windsor and the developers of the Connecticut Studios Project. On that basis, we ask that the Siting Council to render its necessary approval of the petition application associated with the fuel cell component as expeditiously as possible and without a public hearing, which would only serve to add undue delay to this very worthwhile economic development project.

The Town is eager to move this project forward and requests your support and approval of this application. Please contact me if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew Galligan".

Matthew Galligan

Town Manager

Town of South Windsor