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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Subject: Petition 1396

Construction of 1MW and .975 MW AC Ground Mounted

Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating Facility

Town of East Hampton

The Department of Transportation has reviewed the above-mentioned Petition and offers the following comment.

As regulated by Connecticut General Statute 13b-17, an Encroachment permit is required for any work which will affect the State right of way for Route 196 Skinner Street in the Town of East Hampton. Therefore, East Hampton Solar II, LLC must attain a Highway Encroachment Permit in conjunction with the Connecticut General Statues prior to performing any work within the right of way. The District 2 Permit Office will need to review three complete sets of construction plans which show all work within the State highway right of way, all site work, any required easements and standard details for highway construction prior to issuing the encroachment permit.

The District 2 Permit Office will determine the bond amount, insurance coverage, maintenance and protection of traffic, inspection, roadway restoration and pavement requirements. Please see attached D.O.T. Screening Checklist.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Latoya Smith, Utility Engineer (Utilities) at (860) 594-2533.

Very truly yours,

Transportation Supervising Engineer Division of Facilities and Transit Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Enclosure

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Screening Checklist

Connecticut Department of Transportation

Potential Transportation Infrastructure Impacts

Connecticut Siting Council Petition # 1396

Location: 46 Skinner Street East Hampton

1.	Is the proposed facility abutting –the-right of way of a State maintained highway?
	No
	Yes – Specify the location and show location on a detail site plan.
2.	Is the access for construction and maintenance of the proposed facility needed directly from a State maintained highway.
	No
	X Yes – Identify specify needs and access location.
3.	Is the proposed facility within or abutting a State owned Railroad Right-of-Way?
	X No
	Yes-Please provide an area and site plan.
4.	Is the proposed facility within a two mile radius of any lands classified as preserved scenic land in accordance with CGS Section 13a-85a, "Acquisition of land adjacent to state highways for preservation and enhancement of scenic beauty and development o rest and recreation areas", or any designated scenic road in accordance with CGS Section 13b-31c, "Designation of scenic roads"?
	X No
	Vac
	Yes

C. The Project

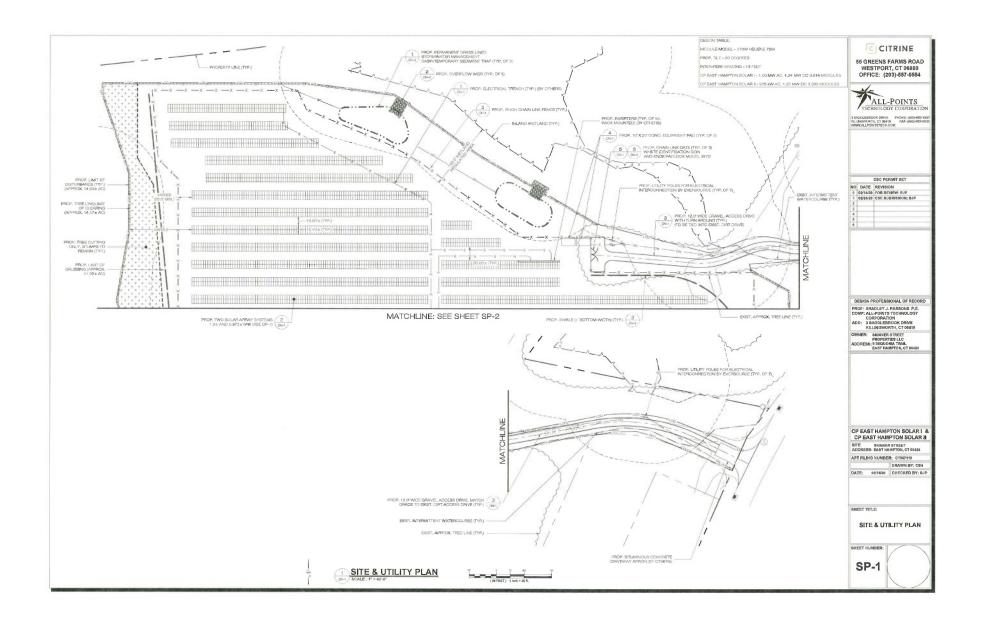
The Project would consist of two adjacent PV facilities, both of which are subject to lease agreements with the property owner: (1) a 1 MW AC PV facility, owned by CP East Hampton Solar I, LLC and (2) a 0.975 MW AC PV facility, owned by CP East Hampton Solar II, LLC ("PV Facilities"). Both PV Facilities are subject to VNM agreements with the Town.

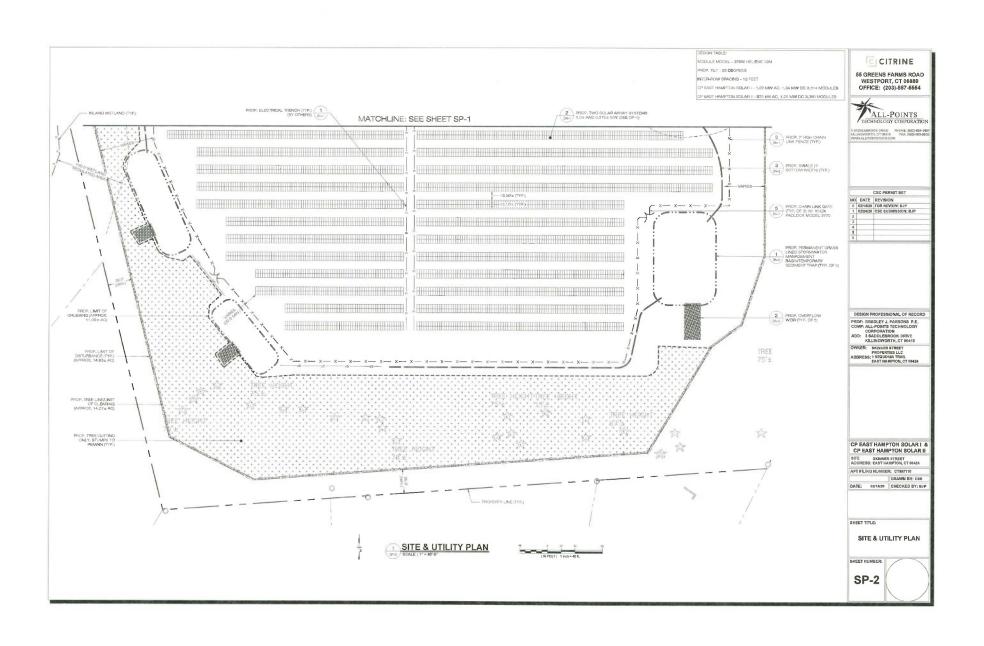
Upon their completion, the PV Facilities would occupy approximately 8.64 acres of the Site, with an additional ±6.29 acres of disturbance beyond the Project limits, for a total of ±14.93 acres to enable development ("Project Area"). Petitioners anticipate that both PV Facilities will consist of the following components: (a) approximately 6,994² Heliene 72^M 370W photovoltaic modules ("panels"), installed at a tilt angle of 20 degrees; (b) fifteen (15) CPS 125 kW and one (1) CPS 100kW inverters; (c) two (2) pad mounted switchgear units; and (d) two (2) 1,000 kVA transformers; and (e) one (1) point of interconnection, with two separate interconnections services as there are two separate PV Facilities. A ground-mounted racking system, mounted on driven posts, will be used to secure the panels. Electrical interconnection to existing distribution poles located along the Skinner Street right of way would require the addition of new utility poles along the existing access road. See Appendix D to Attachment 1. Please also see the Equipment Specifications attached as Appendix H to Attachment 1.

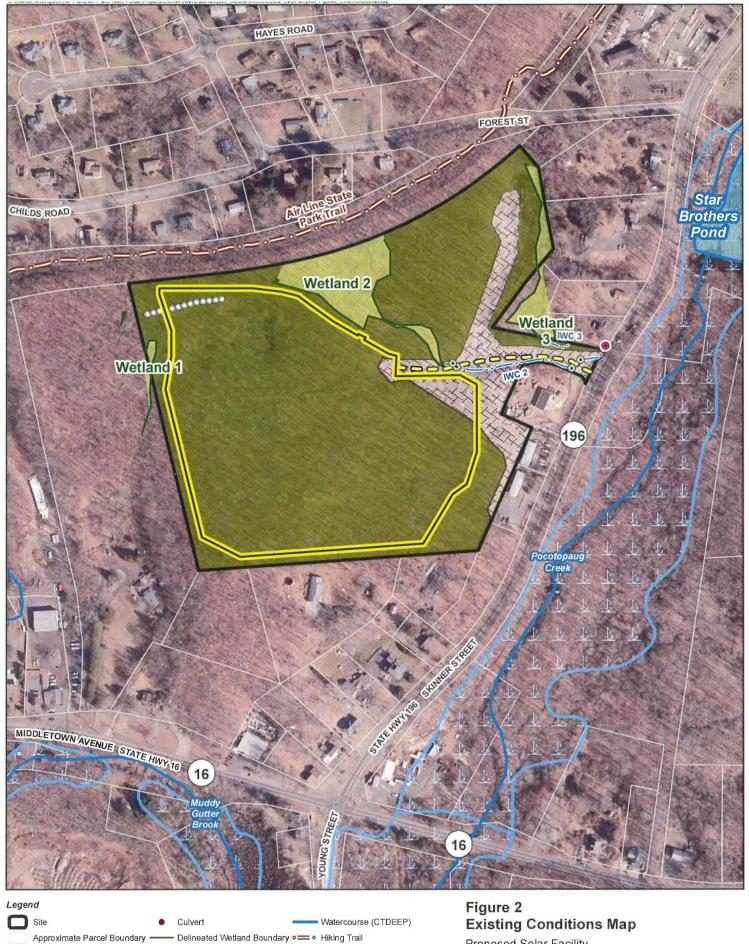
The Project would be surrounded by a seven (7) foot high chain link fence to provide security as well as address National Electric Code requirements. Entrance to the Site would be through one (1), sixteen (16) foot wide locked chain link gate, with a site identification sign and

² The one (1) MW system would have 3,614 panels while the 0.975 MW system would have 3,380 panels.

³ The PV Facilities would consist of these components or those of which are substantially similar depending upon availability.







Site Culvert Watercourse (CTDEEP) Approximate Parcel Boundary Delineated Wetland Boundary • Hiking Trail Approximate Project Area Delineated Watercourse AccessRoad Cocco Stonewall Hardbottom Crossing Map Notes: Culvert Watercourse (CTDEEP) Habitat Cover Type Developed Upland Forest Forested Wetland

Proposed Solar Facility 46 Skinner Street East Hampton, CT





Map Notes; Base Map Source: CTECO 2019 Aerial Photograph Map Scale: 1 inch = 300 feet Map Date: February 2020