



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 28, 2021

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1397** - Constitution Solar, LLC Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 20-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 149 acres comprised of four separate parcels located off of Cornell Road in Plainfield, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Attorney Bright:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated July 22, 2021 regarding revisions to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the above-referenced project that was approved by the Council on March 12, 2021. The D&M Plan revisions include the following:

- Relocation of an unusual stone wall that is located within the limits of Stormwater Basin 3B. The stone wall, identified by the State Historic Preservation Office as worthy of preservation, was incorrectly mapped on project site plans as being out of the construction limits; however, a subsequent field survey determined the stone wall is within the stormwater basin footprint; and
- Conduct selective tree clearing within the Stormwater Basin 3B footprint to facilitate test pits. The subject tree clearing will occur within a Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) recommended tree clearing restriction from May 15th and October 31st to protect state listed bat species; however, DEEP does not anticipate adverse impacts to these species as a result of the selective tree clearing.

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-62(b), your request for approval of the modified D&M Plan is hereby granted. This approval applies only to your July 22, 2021 submittal. Any significant changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Furthermore, the project developer is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

*s/Melanie A. Bachman*

Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

