

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL**

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GREENSKIES CLEAN ENERGY, LLC Petition for)
a Declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General) Petition N. 1410
Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the Proposed)
construction, maintenance and operation of a 3.0)
megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating)
facility on two parcels at the Elmridge Golf Course)
located to the east and west of North Anquilla Road)
at the intersection with Elmridge Road, Stonington,) FEBRUARY 5 , 2021
Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.)
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**INTERVENOR DOUGLAS HANSON'S COMMENTS ON SITING COUNSEL'S DRAFT
FINDINGS OF FACT**

On November 20, 2020, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council), indicated that parties and intervenors would be able to issue comments on the Council's draft finding of facts, when issued. On January 22, 2021, the Council issued its DRAFT Findings of Fact. On February 1, 2021, the Council, through its Executive Director, Melanie Bachman, issued a letter to the parties and intervenors, that gave said parties less than four days to send the Council their comments, due by February 5, 2021.

Douglas Hanson, Intervenor (Intervenor) in the above Petition, hereby submits the followings as his comments based upon the Council's DRAFT Findings of Fact.

COMMENTS UNDER THE "NOISE" SECTION

- I. Paragraphs 134 to 137: The Council has referenced *only* the GCE SLR Noise Study. The Intervenor requests that reference be made to the fact that there was testimony from the Intervenor (Tr. 4, pp. 23-24) that referenced the sound of golf balls (or other reflective

surface noise) that would emanate from the solar panels. The Intervenor requests reference be made to this testimony.

- II. Paragraph 138: The Intervenor requests that there be a comment inserted that no plan currently exists to address the issue of golf balls striking the panels.
- III. Paragraph 139: The Intervenor requests that the word “[s]ome,” be replaced with “[m]any” in the second sentence.

COMMENTS UNDER THE “VISIBILITY” SECTION

- IV. Paragraph 211-216: The Intervenor requests that reference be made to Mr. Gagnon’s testimony as to the location from which he took pictures, which was from the point farthest from the Intervenor’s home to the Project.
- V. Paragraph 228: The Intervenor requests the Council re-confirm the transcript reference, as it does not appear that this cited point in the transcript contains any reference to planting height.
- VI. Paragraph 233: The Intervenor requests the Council re-confirm the transcript reference, as it does not appear that this cited point in the transcript contains any reference to the Intervenor’s meeting with GCE. The Intervenor further requests that the finding of fact be revised to accurately reflect that GCE indicated to him that GCE told the Intervenor that GCE’s plan was preliminary and that GCE indicated he would be able to see the plan upon submission. (Tr. 4, pp. 53-55). To leave the finding as it is, is an inaccurate statement and mischaracterization of the testimony as provided.
- VII. Paragraph 234: The Intervenor requests the Council re-confirm the transcript reference, as it does not appear that this cited point in the transcript contains any reference to the finding

of fact referenced in this paragraph. Nothing in this portion of the transcript supports a finding of fact that “[n]o other neighbors provided comment on the proposed East Project Area landscape plan.”

- VIII. Paragraph 238: The Intervenor requests the Council re-confirm the transcript reference, as it does not appear that this cited point in the transcript contains any reference to the finding of fact referenced in this paragraph.

COMMENTS UNDER THE “NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS” SECTION

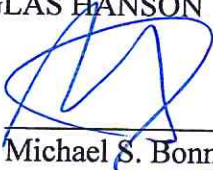
- IX. Paragraph 279: The Intervenor requests that a finding be inserted that the Council permitted the Petitioner to raise questions as to property value after having refused such testimony offered by the Intervenor and further include reference to our law which permits homeowners to testify as to their opinion on the value of their home under *McCahill v. Town & Country Associates, Ltd.*, 185 Conn. 37 at 41, 440 A.2d 801; *Moore v. Sergi*, 38 Conn.App. 829, 839–40, 664 A.2d 795 (1995).

Wherefore, the Intervenor requests that the Council revise their DRAFT findings of fact to reflect the above comments as enumerated.

Dated at New London, Connecticut this 5th day of February, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by,
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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of February, 2021 that the foregoing was delivered by electronic mail and regular mail, postage prepaid, in accordance with § 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, to all parties and intervenors of record, as follows:

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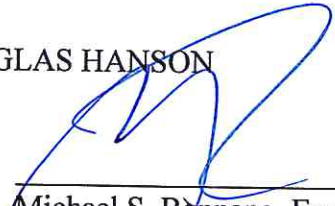
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