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Hearing Program
Petition No. 1422
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
2:00 p.m./6:30 p.m.
Zoom Remote Public Hearing

- I. Opening by Council
 - A. Statement read by Presiding Officer.
 - B. Administrative Notice taken by Council

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- D. State Agency comments
 - 1. Council on Environmental Quality Comments, dated August 28, 2020
 - 2. Connecticut Airport Authority Comments, dated January 20, 2021
- E. Municipal comments
 - 1. Town of East Windsor Comments, dated December 1, 2020

II. Appearance by Petitioner: Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC (GCE)

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- A. Administrative Notice.
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Petition for a Declaratory filed by Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC, received July 20, 2020, and attachments.
 - 2. Petitioner Responses to Council's Incomplete Letter, dated August 3, 2020
 - 3. Petitioner Responses to Council's Interrogatories, Set One, dated October 5, 2020
 - 4. Petitioner Correspondence with attached DEEP NDDB Final Determination Letter, dated October 23, 2020
 - 5. Petitioner Response to the Town of East Windsor Request for Hearing, dated December 11, 2020
 - 6. Petitioner Responses to Council's Interrogatories, Set Two, dated February 16, 2021

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7. Petitioner Sign Posting Affidavit, dated February 19, 2021

C. Swear Witnesses

- 1. Jean-Paul La Marche, Director of Project Development, Greenskies Renewable Energy, LLC
- 2. Jeffrey Shamas, Director Environmental Services, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
- 3. Steve Kochis, P.E., Senior Project Engineer, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
- 4. Evan Miller, Landscape Architecture and Planning, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
- III. Closing by Connecticut Siting Council.