

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

January 20, 2021

TO: Service List dated July 21, 2020

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

RE: **PETITION NO. 1422** - Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory

ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.99-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at Mulnite Farms, Inc. off Barber Hill Road west of the intersection with Rockville Road, East Windsor,

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Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection.

Comments have been received from the Connecticut Airport Authority, dated January 20, 2021. A copy of the comments is attached for your review.

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c: Council Members



TO:

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FROM:

Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E., Executive Director, Connecticut Airport Authority

DATE:

January 20, 2021

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electrical interconnection.

Dear Distinguished Members of the Connecticut Siting Council and Executive Director Bachman,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding Petition No. 1422.

While it appears that this development is at least five miles away from Bradley International Airport, and therefore unlikely to pose obstruction issues, the CAA respectfully requests that the proponents complete a glare study to understand the impacts that this could have to air traffic in the area. As I have noted to the council in the past, glare from photovoltaic facilities can sometimes impact pilots in the vicinity of those facilities and a glare study would provide important information to understand the full impacts that this project could have on aviation in the state. Despite the distance from the airport, this project would be situated along the approach to one of BDL's runways and a glare study would help confirm that there is no safety issue for arriving pilots.

Please feel free to contact me directly at 860-292-2054 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kevin A. Dillon, A.A.E.

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**Executive Director** 

Connecticut Airport Authority