

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE: :
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 A PETITION FOR A DECLARATORY : PETITION NO. 1425
 RULING THAT A CERTIFICATE OF :
 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND :
 PUBLIC NEED IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE :
 CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND :
 MAINTENANCE OF A 1.9 MWAC SOLAR :
 PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT AT 360 :
 GAYLORD MOUNTAIN ROAD IN :
 HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT : NOVEMBER 10, 2020

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF JOHN BAMMAN

Q1. Please state your name, occupation and business address.

A. My name is John Bamman. I am a Senior Project Manager for Gaylord Mountain Solar Project 2019, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Distributed Solar Development (DSD), LLC.

Q2. What are your responsibilities at Gaylord Mountain Solar Project 2019 LLC?

A. I will be responsible for the management and supervision of site construction and development activity at the Gaylord Mountain Solar Facility. I will work closely with the facility development contractors and will be the “Point of Contact” throughout site development for municipal and state officials and regulatory authorities.

Q3. In addition to the above-captioned petition, what other relevant experience do you have in the development of ground mounted solar generating facilities either in Connecticut or elsewhere?

A. I have 17 years of experience as a Project Manager in the development and construction of solar power generating facilities having assembled, organized, and managed Solar PV

Design and Construction Teams responsible for completing state, municipal and institutional solar PV projects totaling over 170 MW. My resume also includes:

- Managing client relationships with municipal officials and corporate clients.
- Defining and implementing procedures to manage projects from contract signing through design, engineering, permitting, utility approval, construction, commissioning, interconnection and closeout.
- Developing construction and design protocols for commercial and utility-scale PV installations on roof-tops, ground-mounted and capped landfill sites.
- Preparing RFP's and negotiating subcontracts totaling over \$85M in engineering and construction services.
- Managing a supply chain of over \$40M in project materials and equipment incl. centralized warehousing and logistics coordination.
- Creating site-specific Environmental, Health and Safety Programs and OSHA compliance standards.

Q4. Please describe your role and responsibilities related to the development and operation of the Gaylord Mountain Solar Facility in Hamden?

A. As the Project Manager, I am responsible for pulling together and supervising the Construction team of the project, including DSD's Construction Manager and the site contractors who will perform the "civil" site work; the contractor responsible for the installation of the racking system and solar panels; and the electrical contractor. Due to the nature and character of the subject parcel, we intend to hire contractors with experience developing solar facilities and performing civil site work in Connecticut.

Q.5 Please describe the role and responsibilities of the of the Construction Manager for the Gaylord Solar facility?

A. DSD's construction manager will be responsible for the day to day construction operations at the project site. The construction manager will work closely with the site contractor, monitor site development activity and act as a project liaison with neighbors, Town officials, and State regulatory authorities. The construction manager, working closely with our environmental team (All Points Technologies, Corp.), will provide regular construction and environmental monitoring services and reports, as required, to the Siting Council and will share those reports and information with municipal officials and agencies and the Regional Water Authority.

Q6. Please update the Council on the Petitioners efforts to develop a temporary construction access form the northern portion of the Property?


A. As mentioned in Petition No. 425, the Petitioner is committed to access the project area for construction purposes only, using an existing driveway that extends from Gaylord Mountain Road (near its intersection with West Todd Street) to the existing telecommunications tower site on the Property. The Petitioner has filed a Permitted Use Application with Eversource for construction access that would extend through the transmission line right of way. Before the Permitted Use application can be approved, Eversource has requested that the Petitioner and the Property owner provide certain additional information related to the existing access driveway. The Petitioner is working with the Property owner to complete this application process with Eversource.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and delivered this testimony as of the date set forth above.



John Bamman
Project Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 9th day of November, 2020



Commissioner of the Superior Court