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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Office of the Commissioner



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Commissioner

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Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Verogy - Burlington Solar One, LLC, proposed 3.50 Megawatt AC solar project to be located across from 81 Prospect St., Burlington, CT

Dear Executive Director Bachman:

Pursuant to 16-50k(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, we have reviewed the above cited project (as described in correspondence to the Department of Agriculture dated April 27, 2020, and subsequently revised on June 10, 2020), with respect to agricultural impacts.

The project site is approximately 63 acres, of which the solar project foot print is now planned to be 11.58 acres, none of which will be located on mapped prime farmland soils or farmland soils of statewide importance. Further, the developers have stated that hay operations currently being conducted on seven acres of the site, will continue. Given the above, we have found that there does not appear to be any material impact to the status of prime farmland.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself or Stephen Anderson of my staff. Steve can be reached at stephen.anderson@ct.gov, or at (860) 713-2592.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan P. Hurlburt".

Bryan P. Hurlburt
Commissioner

Cc: Katie Dykes, Commissioner, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Lee Hoffman, Pullman & Comley LLC