

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

November 7, 2023

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1442** - SR Litchfield, LLC Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 19.8-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on 6 contiguous parcels located both east and west of Wilson Road south of the intersection with Litchfield Town Farm Road in Litchfield, Connecticut, and both east and west of Rossi Road, south of the intersection with Highland Avenue in Torrington, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. **Partial Development and Management Plan III Interrogatories.** 

Dear Attorney Schaefer:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than November 28, 2023. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to <a href="mailto:siting.council@ct.gov">siting.council@ct.gov</a>. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the November 28, 2023 deadline.

Copies of your responses are required to be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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c: Service List dated March 26, 2021

## Petition No. 1442 SR Litchfield, LLC Solar Facility -Litchfield and Torrington

## Partial D&M Plan III Interrogatories November 7, 2023

- 1. Civil Site Plan C700 includes detail for a seven-foot tall chain link fence with one-foot of barbed wire. The response to Council Integratory 81 states SRL would be willing to exclude the barbed wire from the fence. Can a fence be installed without the barbed wire? If so, provide specifications.
- 2. According to Partial D&M Plan II, livestock grazing is no longer contemplated for the site. Can the bottom of the perimeter fence be raised to 6 inches above grade to allow for small animal movement?
- 3. Civil Site Plan C002 and Electrical Site Plan PV-001 refer to the host parcel acreage as 281 and 211.7 acres, respectively. Clarify.
- 4. Electrical Site Plan PV-001 states the closest distance from a solar panel to a perimeter fence is 4.5 feet. Where is this location?
- 5. Civil Site Plan C002 indicates there will be an excess of 55,552 cubic yards of cut. Where will this material be disposed of?
- 6. Civil Site Plan C503 Phase 3 Note 1 refers to "CT DEEP County" for review. Provide more information as to what entity will review the site.
- 7. Civil Site Plan C002 General Note 3 states "All erosion control devices shall be maintained daily". Civil Site Plan C510 Erosion Control Notes states "All sediment and erosion control devices shall be inspected once every calendar week." Are daily or weekly inspections specified? Which personnel be conducting the inspections and maintenance of erosion/sediment controls?
- 8. Civil Site Plan C501 Phase 1 Note 1 refers to a DEEP Inspector. Will DEEP perform inspections at the site?
- 9. The Petition Noise Impact Assessment dated December 2, 2020 (Exhibit N), was based on a project design with 90 inverters. Electrical Site Plan G-001 indicates 170 inverters will be installed as part of a project re-design. Revise the Noise Impact Assessment to account for the project re-design. Will the project re-design meet DEEP Noise Control Regulations at the boundaries of the host parcels?