

## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 19, 2021

TO: Service List dated March 31, 2021

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MAB* 

RE: **PETITION NO. 1450** – ClearCell Power, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a customer-side 460-kilowatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at the Best Western Hotel, 490 Saw Mill Road, West Haven, Connecticut.

Comments have been received from the Connecticut Department of Transportation on April 19, 2021. A copy of the comments is attached for your review.

## MB/RDM/emr

c: Council Members



## **STATE OF CONNECTICUT** DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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April 14, 2021

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

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Subject:

Petition 1450 Construction of a .46 MW Fuel Cell Customer-Side Distributed Energy Resource City of West Haven

The Department of Transportation has reviewed the above-mentioned Petition and offer the following comments.

- 1. Are there any hazardous chemicals/materials from the fuel cell or generator that could potentially impact the CTDOT Non-access area/ROW?
- 2. A leak-off is shown, where does it drain to?
- 3. Where does the proposed catch basin tie into?
- 4. There is an existing private drainage system in the back of the hotel parking lot that drains toward I-95 that includes a CB and leak off. It appears that the fuel cell may be in the vicinity of or above this system. Although the DOT has no enforcement of the private installation of the fuel cell, it is not good practice to place a permanent structure on a drainage system.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Latoya Smith, Utility Engineer (Utilities) at Latoya.Smith@ct.gov.

Very truly yours,



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Screening Checklist

**Connecticut Department of Transportation** 

**<u>Potential Transportation Infrastructure Impacts</u>** 

Connecticut Siting Council Petition # 1450

Location: 490 Sawmill Road, West Haven, CT

1. Is the proposed facility abutting -the-right of way of a State maintained highway?

\_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Yes – Specify the location and show location on a detail site plan.

2. Is the access for construction and maintenance of the proposed facility needed directly from a State maintained highway.

\_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_Yes – Identify specify needs and access location.

3. Is the proposed facility within or abutting a State owned Railroad Right-of-Way?

\_\_\_X\_\_ No

\_\_\_Yes-Please provide an area and site plan.

4. Is the proposed facility within a two mile radius of any lands classified as preserved scenic land in accordance with CGS Section 13a-85a, "Acquisition of land adjacent to state highways for preservation and enhancement of scenic beauty and development of rest and recreation areas", or any designated scenic road in accordance with CGS Section 13b-31c, "Designation of scenic roads"?

\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_No

\_\_\_\_Yes



Arial View of Fuel Cell location-490 Saw Mill Road, West Haven, CT



North View of Fuel Cell site



East View of Fuel Cell Site