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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

February 3, 2023

The Honorable Andreas Bisbikos
First Selectperson
Town of Colchester
127 Norwich Avenue
Colchester, CT 06415
selectman@ColchesterCt.gov

RE: **PETITION NO. 1533** – ReNew Developers, LLC declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 4.99-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at 42 Old Amston Road, Colchester, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectperson Bisbikos:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your recent correspondence concerning Petition No. 1533. A decision was rendered on this petition on October 14, 2022.

In reaching a final decision on a petition for a declaratory ruling, the Council carefully considers all of the facts contained in the evidentiary record that is developed by the Council, the petitioner, and members of the public who submit written statements to the Council.

Please note that you can view all of the documents related to this petition on our website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the “Decisions” link. You may also keep apprised of Council events on the website calendar and agenda.

Thank you for your interest and concern in this very important matter.

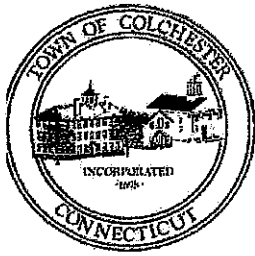
Sincerely,

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Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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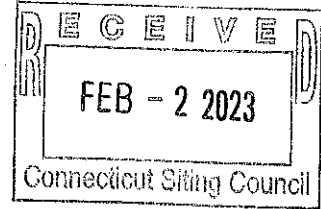
Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

January 31, 2023

Melanie A. Bachman, Esq.
Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
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Re: Support ReNew Fuel Cell Project

Dear Ms. Bachman,

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Connecticut Siting Council that the Town of Colchester strongly supports the proposed 18 MW Fuel Cell project at Old Amston Rd by ReNew Developers, LLC that will power the proposed Connecticut Data Park project.

The project will generate millions of dollars in tax revenue for the Town in PILOT payments in conjunction with the State's Data Center Incentives law. This is needed revenue for our Town and would grow our existing tax base going forward.

To qualify for the State Incentive program the Data Center project must have a minimum \$200 million capital cost. Total local labor expenses will be tens of millions of dollars for the development and construction of the Data Center and the commissioning of the Fuel Cells. Some of this labor will presumably come from within the Town, but this represents economic activity for labor across the region to support such a significant development.

I respectfully encourage the Council to approve the Fuel Cell project and allow host communities to reap these and other benefits.

This letter is also to inform you that the necessary Town Permits will be provided for the project.

Sincerely,

Andreas Bisbikos
First Selectman of Colchester