

October 22, 2022

Attorney Melanie Bachman, Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
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New Britain, CT 06051

***RE: LSE Pyxis LLC ("Lodestar Energy") Petition for Declaratory Ruling pursuant to Connecticut General States § 4-7176 and § 16-50k for the proposed construction, operation and maintenance of a 4 MW AC ground-mounted solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located at 599 Greenwoods Road East (Route 44), Norfolk, CT***

Dear Attorney Bachman:

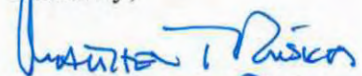
I am writing this letter to express the Town of Norfolk's support for Lodestar Energy's 4 MW AC solar photovoltaic facility to be located at 599 Greenwoods Road East (Route 44) in Norfolk, Connecticut (the "Site"). As you are aware, the Siting Council has the formal approval associated with the siting of any utility facility in excess of 1 MW and the petitioner is appearing before the Siting Council to address any issues and questions the Council and its staff deems appropriate. This project is a part of the State's on-going efforts to address the fragile power supply serving our area. The Town of Norfolk shares the state and regional concerns about the significant electric generation capacity shortage projected for northern Connecticut. That is why, as noted in the petition submitted by Lodestar Energy, the Town of Norfolk issued a request for proposal for the development of the proposed facility at the Site. Not only is this supporting renewable energy goals and efforts but is also a prime example of adaptive re-use of the Town's former landfill.

Lodestar Energy entered into a letter of intent with the Town in response to that RFP in August, 2020 and has since been working closely with the Town on iterations of the development. Representatives of Lodestar Energy have met on numerous occasions with Town of Norfolk staff and commissions including local land use commissions and a town meeting. A Town Meeting held in July, 2022 overwhelmingly approved the lease agreement with Lodestar Energy for development of the facility and the Town has since entered into a lease with Lodestar Energy.

The Town of Norfolk has reviewed the plans and writes to express its support for the proposed facility at the Site. Due to the location and topography of the Site, we agree with Lodestar Energy that there will be little to no impact to abutting property owners, including visual impact. We are confident that Lodestar Energy will continue to cooperate with the Town throughout the construction and implementation phases of this Project and it will be of great benefit to the Town of Norfolk.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
MATTHEW T. PUSICA  
FIRST SELECTMAN  
10/22/22