

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 28, 2023

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RE:

PETITION NO. 1583 – TRITEC Americas, LLC notice of election to waive exclusion from Connecticut Siting Council jurisdiction, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(e), and petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 0.999-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at Parcel Nos. 113-1 and 113-1-A, 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. TRITEC Americas, LLC, Town of Bethany and Rural Bethany Association's September 26, 2023 Joint Request for Stay. Notice of Hearing Cancellation.

Dear Attorneys Michaud, Antaki, Gillis, Marino, Mortelliti, and Casagrande:

At a public meeting held on September 28, 2023, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) voted to grant TRITEC Americas, LLC, Town of Bethany and Rural Bethany Association's (P&I) September 26, 2023 Joint Request for Stay of the proceeding and appeal period for the regulate and restrict orders issued by the Town of Bethany on September 12, 2023, in the above-referenced petition for a declaratory ruling to explore the feasibility of a potential alternate site for the proposed solar electric generating facility.

The Council also acknowledges receipt of the P&I September 26, 2023 Joint Written Consent to Extend the Deadline for the Council to render a final decision on the petition for a declaratory ruling in accordance with the requirements under Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) §4-176(i).

With written agreement from the P&I, the deadline for the Council to render a final decision on the petition for a declaratory ruling may be extended for an additional 180 days, consistent with the Council's deadline for a final decision on an application for an electric generating facility under CGS §16-50p. Therefore, the extended deadline for the Council to render a final decision on this petition for a declaratory ruling is no later than **July 5, 2024**.

The October 5, 2023 public hearing date, deadlines for exchange of interrogatories and deadlines for responses to interrogatories and the submission of pre-filed testimony per the Council's September 5, 2023 Petition No. 1583 schedule that is posted on the project webpage are no longer valid. A Notice of Hearing Cancellation and revised schedule are attached.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Council office.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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Enclosure: Revised Schedule, dated September 28, 2023

Notice of Hearing Cancellation

c: Secretary of the State

A+ Reporting LLC

Paula Cofrancesco, First Selectperson, Town of Bethany (pcofrancesco@bethany-ct.com)

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REVISED SCHEDULE

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Petition received	07/11/2023
Council 60-day Action – Hold Public Hearing	08/03/2023
Council Interrogatories	
Set One Issued	09/05/2023
Set One Responses due	09/19/2023
Pre-hearing conference via Zoom remote conferencing (11:00 a.m.)	09/06/2023
Deadline for Exchange of Interrogatories between Parties and Intervenors	09/21/2023
Parties and Intervenors Joint Request for Stay of Proceeding	09/26/2023
Deadline for Pre-filed testimony and responses to interrogatories	09/28/2023
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	09/28/2023
Parties and Intervenors Joint Request for Stay of Proceeding granted	09/28/2023
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment	10/05/2023
session via Zoom remote conferencing - CANCELLED	
(refer to Hearing Information section on the Petition 1583 project webpage for	
Hearing Cancellation Notice)	
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment	TBD
session via Zoom remote conferencing	
Continued Evidentiary Session(s) (if necessary)	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	TBD
Close of Public Comment Period	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	TBD
Deadline for Decision	01/07/2024
180-day Extension of Deadline for Decision pursuant to CGS §4-176(i) with	
written consent of Parties and Intervenors	07/05/2024

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

NOTICE OF HEARING CANCELLATION

The Connecticut Siting Council has canceled the public hearing scheduled for Thursday, October 5, 2023 beginning at 2:00 p.m., and continued at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing. The proceeding was to be held on a petition from TRITEC Americas, LLC for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 0.999-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at Parcel Nos. 113-1 and 113-1-A, 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany, Connecticut.

Information regarding the petition is available on the Council website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters."

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TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor

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FROM: Dakota LaFountain, Clerk Typist

RE: **PETITION NO. 1583** – TRITEC Americas, LLC notice of election to waive

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Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than <u>TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE</u>. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please respond to <u>siting.council@ct.gov</u> with the quote at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council

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