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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

July 18, 2023

Ted Antonellis  
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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.

Dear Ted Antonellis:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your Request for a Public Hearing, dated July 17, 2023, for the above-referenced petition.

The Request for a Public Hearing will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda, a copy of which will be sent to you. You will be notified of the Council's determination immediately thereafter.

Please contact our office at 860-827-2935 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: Service List dated July 11, 2023  
Council Members

**From:** Antonellis Ted <tantonellis@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 17, 2023 4:33 PM  
**To:** Bachman, Melanie <Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov>  
**Cc:** CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov>  
**Subject:** Request for Hearing on Petition No. 1583 - Solar Photovoltaic Facility in Bethany, CT

Dear Member of the Connecticut Siting Council,

I am writing to formally request a hearing regarding Petition No. 1583, which pertains to the establishment of a 0.999-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility at 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany, CT. I would like to present the following reasons for my request:

1. Incompatible Land Use:

I strongly oppose this project due to its unsuitability for the proposed location. As it stands, the area in question is designated for residential use, making the establishment of a commercial facility inappropriate and inconsistent with the zoning regulations.

2. Environmental Concerns:

Given that all residents in Bethany rely on well water, I am deeply concerned about the potential impact this project may have on the local water supply, wetlands, and nearby stream. Despite the assertions made in the Petition, I remain apprehensive about the potential risks of contamination and its adverse effects on the community's natural resources.

3. Property Value and Visual Impact:

I have made significant financial investments in my home and property, and I am genuinely concerned about the potential decline in value if a solar field becomes visible from my front windows. Preserving the scenic beauty and residential character of the area is of paramount importance to me, and I believe the proposed project could compromise these vital aspects.

4. Widespread Community Opposition:

In collaboration with my neighbors, we have taken the initiative to collect over 800 signatures through an online petition, representing community members who share our concerns and stand in opposition to this project. This substantial number of signatures is a testament to the widespread dissent within the community.

I kindly request your attention to these points and emphasize the importance of holding a hearing to address the aforementioned concerns. This will allow the community to present their perspectives and ensure that the decision-making process takes into account the well-being and interests of the residents of Bethany.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
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Thanks,  
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