

STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 17, 2023

Donna DeMaio 46 Rolling Green Rd Bethany, CT 06524 dademaio@sbcglobal.net

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 Donna DeMaio:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your Request for a Public Hearing, dated July 16, 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

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From: Yahoo Mail < dademaio@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Sunday, July 16, 2023 9:15 PM

To: Bachman, Melanie < Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov >

Subject: 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany CT

Dear Ms. Bachman,

I OPPOSE this project. I am REQUESTING A HEARING on PETITION NO. 1583 for a 0.999-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility at 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany, CT for the following reasons:

- * This is a residentially zoned area and the proposal is for a commercial facility.
- * All residents of Bethany have well water. As a nurse, working at the Veteran's Hospital, I see the disease and death herbicides have had on our Veterans 50 years after being exposed to Agent Orange. We do not know the long term effects that drinking well water laced with Herbicides to prevent Foliage from interfering with the solar panels will have on ourselves, our children and grandchildren. We must protect the water supply and aquifers.
- * I have worked hard to improve my home and property year after year and it will be unfair if my property value declines which it will due to a solar farm in my backyard. I know I would not purchase a home in such close proximity to one.
- * My neighbors and I have collected more than 800 signatures in an online petition from community members who also oppose this project.

I appreciate any assistance you can give the neighborhood surrounding this solar proposal in getting us a hearing with the siting council for us to be able to voice our concerns.

Thank you,

Donna DeMaio 46 Rolling Green Rd Bethany