



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 18, 2023

Matthew Reed  
Town Administrator  
Town of Ellington  
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1589** – USS Somers Solar, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 3.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 360 Somers Road, Ellington, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Matthew Reed:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Town of Ellington's Request for a Public Hearing, dated September 18, 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 A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: Service List dated August 24, 2023  
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Matthew D. Reed  
Town Administrator

# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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Connecticut Siting Council  
Melanie A. Bachman, Executive Director  
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RE: **Petition No. 1589** – USS Somers Solar, LLC, request for declaratory ruling for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 3.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated electrical interconnection for 360 Somers Road, Ellington, Connecticut, located in an Industrial (I) Zone.

Dear Connecticut Siting Council,

The Town of Ellington supports the previous comments of the Town Planner, Lisa M. Houlihan, dated September 18, 2023.

In addition, the Town of Ellington also urges the Siting Council to hold a public hearing regarding the referenced request for a declaratory ruling. Since the public disclosure of this petition many residents have called the town's planning office to voice their concerns. As the town has limited authority regarding such petitions, we request that the Siting Council provide a venue for residents and others to voice their concerns.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Matthew D. Reed  
Town Administrator

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