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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 2, 2024

Mark J. Cook, Esq. Tobin, Carberry, O'Malley, Riley & Selinger, P.C. 43 Broad Street, P. O. Box 58 New London, CT 06320 <u>mcook@tcors.com</u>

RE: **PETITION NO. 1607** – Hanwha Q Cells America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.0-megawatt AC battery energy storage facility located at Parcel No. 95-F10-247-5 and 95-F10-247-5A, 163 State Pier Road, New London, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. **Council Interrogatories to Petitioner – Set 2.**

Dear Attorney Cook:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than April 23, 2024. Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to <u>siting.council@ct.gov</u> In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council requests all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the April 23, 2024 deadline.

Copies of your responses are required to be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

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Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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c: Service List dated January 8, 2024

Petition No. 1607 Hanwha Q Cells America, Inc. Parcel No. 95-F10-247-5 and 95-F10-247-5A, 163 State Pier Road, New London

Interrogatories- Set 2 April 2, 2024

- 67. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 15, what is the depth of discharge for the Sungrow batteries?
- 68. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 17, how is the appropriate temperature maintained for the battery stacks?
- 69. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 34(b), how and when would the Fire Marshal notify all property owners within 330 feet that evacuation or shelter in place orders may be imposed if there was an emergency at the BESF?
- 70. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 34(f), provide an aerial image showing all properties within a radius of 75 feet and 330 feet from the proposed BESF.
- 71. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 37, besides ester oil, what other materials within the transformer combustible?
- 72. Referring to the response to Council Interrogatory 66, at what height could snow block the airflow to the chiller and/or electronic compartments?
- 73. What is the use of the paved area on the host parcel between Crystal Avenue and the abutting parcel at 163 State Pier Road? Can a driveway to the BESF be developed across this area, with access from the northeast corner of the 163 State Pier Road parcel, to access the BESF?
- 74. Referring to Petition pp. 13-14, is the preliminary design of the Project at least 50 percent complete? If not, would construction comply with the *Connecticut Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines* and *Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual*, effective March 30, 2024?