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Hearing Program
Petition No. 1609
Tuesday, May 21, 2024
2:00 p.m.
Zoom Remote Public Hearing

- I. Opening by Council
 - A. Statement read by Presiding Officer
 - B. Administrative Notice taken by Council

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- C. State Agency comments
 - 1. Council on Environmental Quality Comments, dated March 1, 2024
- D. Municipal comments
 - 1. Town of Bolton Request for Public Hearing, dated March 6, 2024
 - 2. Town of Bolton Comments, April 24, 2024
 - 3. Town of Manchester Board of Directors Comments, May 2, 2024
- E. Public Official comments
 - 1. State Representative Jason Doucette, dated March 1, 2024
 - 2. State Representative Steve Weir Comments, dated March 6, 2024
 - 3. Manchester Legislative Delegation, dated March 11, 2024

II.	Appearance by Petitioner:	TRITEC Americas, LLC (TRITEC)
	Representative:	Paul R. Michaud, Esq.

Paul R. Michaud, Esq. Bernadette Antaki, Esq.

Dylan J. Gillis, Esq. Michaud Law Group LLC

A. Administrative Notice.

B. Exhibits for Identification.

- 1. Petition for a Declaratory Ruling filed by TRITEC Americas, LLC, received January 26, 2024, and attachments.
- 2. Petitioner Responses to Council Interrogatories, Set One, dated April 23, 2024
- 3. Petitioner Pre-Filed Testimony of Howie Reed with attached resume, received April 30, 2024
- 4. Petitioner Pre-Filed Testimony of Kevin Solli, Eric LaBatte, and Cameron Hendry with attached resumes, received April 30, 2024
- 5. Petitioner Pre-Filed Testimony of Bill Kenny, Alexander Wojtkowiak and Jackson Smith with attached resumes, received April 30, 2024
- 6. Pre-Filed Testimony of Warren Horton, received April 30, 2024
- 7. Petitioner Presentation Site Plan Layout Sheet 2.11, received May 2, 2024
- 8. Petitioner Sign Posting Affidavit, dated May 2, 2024
- 9. Petitioner Responses to Town of Manchester Interrogatories, dated May 7, 2024
- 10. Petitioner Responses to Rachel and Dana Schnabel Interrogatories, dated May 7, 2024
- 11. Petitioner Responses to Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development Interrogatories, dated May 7, 2024
- 12. Petitioner Responses to Raymond Welnicki Interrogatories, dated May 7, 2024
- 13. Petitioner Supplemental Filing Geotechnical Engineering Report, dated May 7, 2024
- 14. Petitioner Late-Filed Submission, dated May 7, 2024
 - a. Viewshed Profiles and Analysis from the abutting properties to the East
 - b. Revised Noise Analysis to account for the correct location of the inverters and inclusion of the tracker system
 - c. Spill Response and Prevention Plan that includes protocols for transformer spills and the identification of the construction vehicle refueling area
 - d. Recalculation of the acreage of post-development core forest to include 300-foot buffers from developed areas with an associated map
 - e. A map indicating what areas of the host parcel were historically used for agricultural purposes
 - f. Culvert Openness Ratio for the proposed access drive wetland crossing
 - g. Revised Site Plan Sheet with proposed access slopes at 1.5 to 1 in the vicinity of the wetland crossing, and a calculation of the associated reduced wetland impact
 - h. An East-West profile detail of the solar array on proposed grades

C. Swear Witnesses

- 1. Howie Reed, Chief Operating Officer, TRITEC Americas, LLC
- 2. Kevin Solli, P.E., Principal, Solli Engineering, LLC
- 3. Cameron Hendry, Assistant Project Manager, Solli Engineering, LLC
- 4. Eric LaBatte, Director of Operations, Solli Engineering, LLC
- 5. Bill Kenny, Principal, William Kenny Associates
- 6. Alexander Wojtkowiak, Soil Scientist, William Kenny Associates
- 7. Warren Horton, President/Member, Horton Electrical Services, LLC and Squirrel Enterprises, Inc.

- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Town of Manchester
 - 3. Rachel and Dana Schnabel
 - 4. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development
 - 5. Raymond Welnicki

III. Appearance by Party:

Town of Manchester (TOWN)

Representative:

John F. Sullivan, Esq. Manchester Corporation Counsel

- A. Administrative Notice.
 - 1. Connecticut's 2020 Forest Action Plan
 - 2. Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Fact Sheet Permit Information for Solar Projects
 - 3. Ernst Seeds Price Quote, dated April 22, 2024
 - 4. Leavenworth, J. (2022) '5,200 Solar Panels Will Save Manchester \$100,000 Each Year' *The CT Insider*, published December 13, 2022
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
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 - 2. Town of Manchester Comments and Request for Public Hearing, dated March 6, 2024
 - 3. Town of Manchester Request for Party Status, dated April 9, 2024
 - 4. Town of Manchester Pre-Filed Testimony, received April 25, 2024
 - a. 1997 Denied Application Files (W-103 250 Carter Street)
 - b. 1934 UCONN Air Photo Archive with Subject Site Approximate Location Identified
 - c. Town of Manchester Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations, effective January 3, 2014
 - d. Town of Manchester Zoning Regulations, effective April 18, 2017
 - e. Manchester NEXT Plan of Conservation and Development, effective July 12, 2023
 - f. 'Buckley Elementary School Attains First Net Zero Energy Verification' *The Town of Manchester*, published January 23, 2024
 - g. Video of Water from Seep at Amanda Drive
 - h. Resident Comments Submitted to Town Planning and Zoning Commission, received February 21, 2024
 - 5. Town of Manchester Pre-Hearing Submission, dated April 30, 2024
 - a. Aerial Drone View of the Proposed Project Site and Surrounding Residences
 - b. Pre-Filed Testimony of Megan Pilla, dated April 25, 2024
 b.1 Town of Manchester Topographical Map, dated May 7, 2024
 - c. Pre-Filed Testimony of David Laiuppa, dated April 25, 2024

C. Swear Witnesses

- 1. Megan Pilla, Principal Development Planner, Town of Manchester
- 2. David Laiuppa, Environmental Planner, Town of Manchester
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Petitioner
 - 3. Rachel and Dana Schnabel
 - 4. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development
 - 5. Raymond Welnicki

IV. Appearance by Intervenors: Rachel and Dana Schnabel (SCH)

Representative: Rachel Schnabel

- A. Administrative Notice.
 - 1. Guideline Assessing Fire Risks in Photovoltaic Systems and Developing Safety Concepts for Risk Minimization, June 2018
 - 2. International Energy Agency Photovoltaic Power Systems Programme, Report IEA-PVPS T13-01:2014, Subtask 3.2: Review of Failures of Photovoltaic Modules
 - 3. International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Heath, Review Neurobehavioral Alterations from Noise Exposure in Animals: A Systematic Review
 - 4. Department of Health and Humber Services, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards, September 2007
 - 5. Fire, MDPI, Thermal Hazard and Smoke Toxicity Assessment of Building Polymers Incorporating TGA and FTIR Integrated Cone Calorimeter Arrangement, 2022
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Rachel and Dana Schnabel Request for Intervenor Status, dated April 17, 2024
 - 2. Schnabel Pre-Filed Testimony, 05/07/24 and attachments:
 - A-1. Photographs of Surrounding Neighborhood
 - A-2. Wildlife
 - B-1. Blue Ridge Drive Plans
 - B-2. Obituaries of U&R Housing Corp. Founders
 - B-3. Preservation Award
 - B-4. Case Brothers-Highland Park Historic District Map
 - C-1. Shenipsit Trail Map
 - C-2. Barlow, S. (2008) A Pioneer in Manchester, Connecticut Woodlands, Spring
 - C-3. Shenipsit Trail End-to-End Run, Shenipsit Striders
 - D-1. National Transportation Safety Board Reports
 - E-1. Transformer Mineral Oil Safety Data Sheet
 - F-1. Smoke Gas Toxicity

- G-1. CT Cold Water Stream Habitat Map
- G-2. CT Stream Flow Classifications Map
- G-3. DEEP Fact Sheet: Modifications regarding Activities within Cold Water Stream Habits
- C. Swear Witness
 - 1. Rachel Schnabel
 - 2. Dana Schnabel
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Petitioner
 - 3. Town of Manchester
 - 4. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development
 - 5. Raymond Welnicki

V. Appearance by Intervenor: Manchester Advocates for

Responsible Solar Development (MARSD)

Representative: Rosemary Carroll

- A. Administrative Notice.
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Pre-filed Testimony of Rosemary Carroll, dated February 15, 2024
 - 2. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Department Request for Intervenor Status, dated April 17, 2024
 - 3. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Department Additional Pre-Filed Testimony of Rosemary Carroll, dated April 25, 2024
 - 4. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development Videos (4) of drainage on Amanda Drive
 - 5. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development Response to Petitioner Interrogatories, May 7, 2024
- C. Swear Witnesses
 - 1. Rosemary Carroll
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council

- 2. Petitioner
- 3. Town of Manchester
- 4. Rachel and Dana Schnabel
- 5. Raymond Welnicki

VI. Appearance by Party:

Raymond Welnicki (WEL)

Representative:

Raymond Welnicki

- A. Administrative Notice.
- B. Exhibits for Identification.
 - 1. Raymond Welnicki Pre-Filed Testimony, dated March 1, 2024
 - 2. Raymond Welnicki Request for Party Status, dated April 4, 2024
 - 3. Raymond Welnicki Request for Party Status Supplemental Information, dated April 25, 2024
 - 4. Raymond Welnicki Additional Pre-Filed Testimony, Part One, dated April 25, 2024
 - 5. Raymond Welnicki Additional Pre-Filed Testimony, Part Two, dated April 25, 2024
 - 6. Raymond Welnicki Additional Pre-Filed Testimony, Part Three, dated May 7, 2024
- C. Swear Witnesses
 - 1. Raymond Welnicki
- D. Full Exhibits Verification of exhibits by witnesses and admission by the Council.
- E. Cross Examination.
 - 1. Council
 - 2. Petitioner
 - 3. Town of Manchester
 - 4. Rachel and Dana Schnabel
 - 5. Manchester Advocates for Responsible Solar Development

VII. Continuation by Connecticut Siting Council.