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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 24, 2024

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1609** – 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 250 Carter Street, Manchester, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.
Request for Extension of Time to Submit Pre-Filed Testimony. Council Request for an Extension of Time for a Final Decision.

Dear Attorney Michaud:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your request for an extension of time to submit Pre-Filed Testimony for the above-referenced petition for a declaratory ruling dated April 24, 2024. It requests an extended deadline to April 30, 2024.

Although we understand there are extenuating circumstances, two days is simply not enough time for the Council to review the pre-filed testimony in preparation for the May 2, 2024 evidentiary hearing session. However, given TRITEC Americas, LLC's (TRITEC) submission of the petition on January 26, 2024, TRITEC's submission of responses to the Council's interrogatories on April 23, 2024, and the Council's receipt of several requests to speak from the public to date, we will proceed with the evidentiary and public comment hearing sessions on May 2, 2024 as noticed.

As an alternative to the requested extension of the pre-filed testimony deadline, would TRITEC consent to an extension of the Council's final decision deadline in this matter for an additional 90 days? The current deadline for a final decision is July 24, 2024. The revised deadline for a final decision with TRITEC's consent would be October 22, 2024.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176(i), "If an agency does not issue a final decision within one hundred and eighty days after the filing of a petition therefor, or within such longer period as may be agreed by the parties, the agency shall be deemed to have decided not to issue such ruling." TRITEC is presently the only party to this matter.

The Council hereby requests a response in writing **before noon on April 25, 2024** as to whether TRITEC agrees to grant the Council an extension of time to October 22, 2024 to render a final decision on this petition.

If you have any questions about Council procedures, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Council office at 860-827-2935.

Sincerely,

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Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Service List, dated January 26, 2024



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Dear Attorney Bachman:

The Connecticut Siting Council’s (“Siting Council”) procedural deadline for Petitioner to provide pre-filed written testimony, exhibits, witness lists, and items to be noticed administratively is April 25, 2024. Understanding the importance of timely and complete proceedings, Petitioner respectfully requests a short extension of the deadline for Petitioner to provide pre-filed written testimony, exhibits, witness lists, and items to be noticed administratively to April 30, 2024.

The reason for the request is that the lead attorney for the Petitioner, Paul Michaud, recently underwent a surgical procedure and then experienced an unexpected medical complication. Exacerbating the situation is the fact that Petitioner has been inundated with over 400 interrogatories from potential parties and intervenors.

Accordingly, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Siting Council extend the deadline for it to provide pre-filed testimony, exhibits, witness lists, and items to be noticed

administratively to April 30, 2024. The deadline for Petitioner to respond to the more than 400 interrogatories posed by the potential parties and intervenors would remain on May 7, 2024.

Very Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul R. Michaud". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "P".

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