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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. **Town of Manchester's Interrogatories to Petitioner.**

Dear Attorney Michaud:

Attached please find eight Interrogatories propounded by the Town of Manchester in conjunction with the above referenced TRITEC Americas, LLC petition to the Connecticut Siting Council.

Your responses may be made in accordance with the CSC's previously published filing deadline and requirements.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

John F. Sullivan
Assistant Town Attorney

c: Service List dated January 26, 2024

Petition No. 1609
TRITEC Americas,
LLC
250 Carter Street, Manchester, Connecticut

Interrogatories
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1. Has the site been assessed for the presence of vernal pools? If so, what were the findings?
2. With several forest seeps identified on the site, has the depth to groundwater been identified, and have the hydrological impacts of deforestation on these seeps been studied? If so, what were the findings?
3. Has there been an impact analysis of the habitat requirements of local wildlife with consideration to the removal of a portion of core forest? If so, what were the findings?
4. Have acoustic detection surveys been conducted to identify the species of bats that are present on site? If so, what were the findings?
5. Has there been consultation with the Connecticut Forest and Parks association to confirm that the project will not have an adverse impact on the current viewshed from the Shenipsit Trail? If so, what were the results of that consultation?
6. With the understanding that vegetative uptake will be reduced, has the increased groundwater discharge from the site been considered regarding required volumes of the detention basin and regarding downslope impacts to wetlands and neighboring properties? If so, what were the findings?
7. Will the perimeter fence be constructed in a way that it will not impede the overland migration and habitation of local wildlife? If so, please describe said construction.
8. In an effort to meet the requirement of restoring the site to “pre-existing conditions”, has there been a complete and thorough inventory of all existing conditions (including but not limited to: vegetation, wetland extents, topography, rock outcrops, soil aeration, groundwater flow patterns, depth and location of organic deposits in the soils, wildlife cover elements such as duff, soft snags, hard snags, etc.)? If so, what were the findings of said inventory?