

STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 16, 2024

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1619** – TRITEC Americas, 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 4.97-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at Parcel No. 27-15-7, 0 Riggs Street, Oxford, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. **Request for Extension of Time to Submit Determination Letters.**

Dear Attorney Michaud:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your April 15, 2024 request for an extension of time to submit documentation required to make the above-referenced petition for a declaratory ruling complete in response to the Council's incomplete notice dated March 13, 2024.

Pursuant to Section 16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council hereby grants the request for an extension of time to submit the required documentation by June 12, 2024.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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c. Commissioner Katie Dykes, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (katie.dykes@ct.gov)
Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt, Department of Agriculture (bryan.hurlburt@ct.gov)
The Honorable George R. Temple, First Selectperson, Town of Oxford (selectman@oxford-ct.gov)
Service List dated March 8, 2024



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interconnection. Request for Extension.

Dear Attorney Bachman:

In response to the notice from the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") dated March 13, 2024, TRITEC Americas, LLC ("TRITEC") respectfully asks the Council for a sixty-five (60) day extension to provide written correspondence from the Department of Agriculture ("DoAG") and/or Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") that the proposed Project will not materially affect the status of prime farmland and/or core forest.

TRITEC submitted a letter requesting a determination that the proposed Project will not materially affect the status of prime farmland to DoAg on March 6, 2024. *See* Petition No. 1619, Exhibit C. On April 8, 2024, DoAg responded to TRITEC requesting additional information, including an Agrivoltaics Farm Plan and a Vegetation and Soil Maintenance Plan. TRITEC is preparing and submitting the additional information for DoAg within the following two weeks, and DoAg requests thirty (30) days to review.

Additionally, DEEP visited the proposed Project Site on March 27, 2024, and filed their site visit review and proposed Project overview with the Council on April 4, 2024. Although Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(a) does not require letters of no material effect from both DoAg and DEEP, TRITEC intends to submit a request to DEEP for a determination that the proposed Project will not materially affect the status of core forest.

Therefore, TRITEC respectfully asks the Council for a sixty (60) day extension to provide TRITEC time to respond to DoAg and DEEP's requests for additional information and for the Departments to review and issue determinations regarding no material effect to prime farmland and core forest statuses.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Paul R. Michaud

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cc: Service List dated March 8, 2024.