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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 21, 2024

Rene Morin
Lynne Morin
130 Pompeo Road
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1643** - C-Tec Solar, 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 2.95-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment to be located at 77 Pompeo Road, Thompson, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Rene and Lynne Morin:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your Request for a Public Hearing, dated October 21, 2024, concerning the above-referenced petition.

Your request will be placed on the October 24, 2024 meeting agenda, a copy of which is attached. You will be notified of the Council's determination immediately thereafter.

Please contact our office at 860-827-2935 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Service List dated September 30, 2024
Council Members

Enclosure: October 24, 2024 Council Meeting Agenda



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DATE: October 17, 2024
TO: Council Members
FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*
RE: Connecticut Siting Council Energy/Telecommunications Meeting

An Energy/Telecommunications meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council **via Zoom Remote Conferencing** will be held on Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Please note that the draft documents related to the agenda items will be available to view on-line on our website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the Tab - Meetings and Minutes - on the left-hand side of the home page.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81553400961?pwd=dZglw1fvEapmYAw78FmaPs6isC81C5.1>

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AGENDA

1. Minutes of October 10, 2024.
2. **DOCKET NO. 522** – Stafford Solar One, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.0-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at 92 Upper Road, Stafford, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Draft Findings of Fact.
3. **DOCKET NO. 526** – Greenskies Clean Energy, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.999-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at Lantern Hill Road (Parcel No. 169-1-4), Stonington, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript.
4. **PETITION NO. 923A** - Fuel Cell Energy, Inc. amended petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the installation and operation of a Fuel Cell test facility located at 539 Technology Park Drive, Torrington, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order – Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-22a(d) – Proprietary Information.

5. **PETITION NO. 1395A** – Windham Solar LLC amended declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of one 1.0-megawatt (MW) and one 0.99 MW solar photovoltaic electric generating facilities located at 31 Benz Street, Ansonia, Connecticut. Partial Development and Management Plan II.
6. **PETITION NO. 1592A** – Santa Fuel, 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 3.85-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 159 South Road, Somers, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Reopening of this petition based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). Schedule.
7. **PETITION NO. 1611** – LSE Scutum LLC and LSE Bootes LLC (Lodestar Energy) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.93-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 141 Town Farm Road, and Parcel Nos. 86-326 and 86-164, Abbe Road, Enfield, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.
8. **PETITION NO. 1634** – IPB Fuel Cell 1, LLC and IPB Fuel Cell 2, LLC (FuelCell Energy, 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 customer-side 1-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at the Innovation Partnership Building on the University of Connecticut campus, 159 Discovery Drive, Storrs (Mansfield), Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.
9. **PETITION NO. 1635** – VFS, 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 195-kilowatt customer-side fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at the Taft School, 110 Woodbury Road, Watertown, Connecticut. Decision.
10. **PETITION NO. 1639** – T-Mobile Northeast LLC (T-Mobile) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to an existing telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 323 Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.
11. **PETITION NO. 1640** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Towantic Substation to Beacon Falls Junction Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 4.6 miles of two of its existing electric transmission line right-of-ways shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1142, 1319, 1403, 1580, 1619, and 1808 Lines between Towantic Substation, Christian Street Junction and Beacon Falls Junction in Oxford, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.
12. **PETITION NO. 1643** - C-Tec Solar, 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 2.95-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment to be located at 77 Pompeo Road, Thompson, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Request for Hearing.

13. Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027 Biennium Budget.

Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item No. 14

14. **TS-VER-132-240927** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an approved telecommunications facility located at 99 Dart Hill Road, South Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.

15. Administrative Matters

- ***Regular Items***

- Upcoming Calendar Events:

- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, November 7, 2024, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Petition No. 1637, Tuesday, November 19, 2024, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, November 21, 2024, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.

cc: Secretary of the State

From: Rene J. Morin <rmorin@thompsonct.org>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2024 10:20 AM
To: CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov>
Cc: First Selectman <firstselectman@thompsonct.org>; Tyra Penn <planner@thompsonct.org>; ZEO <ZEO@thompsonct.org>; Conservation <conservation@thompsonct.org>; Kenneth Beausoleil <kbeausoleil@thompsonct.org>; Susanne Witkowski (susannewit@att.net) <susannewit@att.net>; Paul Hopkins <assessor@thompsonct.org>; Joseph Parodi <jparodi@thompsonct.org>
Subject: Petition Number 1643

Attention Melanie Bachman:

Please review our correspondence regarding the above referenced petition 1643. As you are aware, Pompeo Road is designated as a scenic road in Thompson, one of only 2 given that designation in all of Thompson. Approximately 110 homes are on Pompeo Road or within a quarter of a mile from 77 Pompeo Road location. Imagine what that will do to the value and to the lifestyle of all those residents. We would ask that you grant a public hearing here in Thompson, or better yet reject this proposal completely and immediately. Thank you for your consideration. Please acknowledge receipt of this communication.

Rene and Lynne Morin

October 14, 2024

Melanie A. Bachman, Executive Director
State of Connecticut
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, Ct. 06051

Re: Petition No. 1643

Dear Ms. Bachman:

I am in receipt of your letter dated October 1, 2024 to Town of Thompson First Selectman Amy St. Onge regarding a declaratory ruling for the proposed 2.95-megawatt AC Solar generating facility at 77 Pompeo Road in the Town of Thompson.

I represent approximately 76 homeowners on Pompeo Road who successfully petitioned the Town of Thompson in 2023 to have all of Pompeo Road designated as a SCENIC Road. This designation that we successfully achieved, was in great part to keep our Road as scenic and pristine as possible for our enjoyment and for future generations to peacefully enjoy its beauty and serene setting. This certainly included the total absence of any Solar Field project. The vote to have Pompeo Road classified as a Scenic Road was overwhelming by both the very large turnout of citizens in attendance at the hearing and by the Town of Thompson Planning and Zoning Board which voted to approved the request of designation. Everyone in attendance recognized the need to permantely protect Pompeo Road from destruction of its beauty and charm, protection of wildlife, noise, and potential harmful issues to the soil and water, brooks and streams and our livelihood. This is the reason we all chose to live at that location.

We are respectfully requesting at minimum, that a public hearing to be held in the Town of Thompson so that we may have an opportunity to successfully present our case to have this proposal rescinded immediately and permanently. We, and those who represent us, will be prepared to effectively state our case against this proposal at that time.

Additionally, I would add that in excess of 20 homeowners, most of which are less the 50 feet from the boundaries of 77 Pompeo Road, have not yet been notified of this proposal. I know that our Town of Thompson ordinance states that any homeowner with 200 feet of any proposal requiring changes to that property be notified in advance. Your list of homeowners that were notified showed that only 6 property owners were noticed.

I would ask that you consider acknowledging receipt of this communication. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this endeavor. We look forward to our public hearing.

Rene and Lynne Morin
130 Pompeo Road

CC:

Members the Thompson Board of Selectman

William Tong, Attorney General State of Connecticut

Jim Rivers, Executive Director, Northeast Council of Government

Members of the Thompson Inland Wetlands Commission

Members of the Thompson Planning and Zoning Board

John Nolle, Thompson Building Officer

Margaret Washburn, Thompson Conservation and Wetlands Agent

Tyra Penn-Gesek, Thompson Director of Planning and Development

Cynthia Dunne, Thompson Zoning Enforcement Officer

Joe Courtney, U.S. Congressman

Rick Hayes, State Representative 51st District

Jeff Gordon, State Senator 35th District

Lois Bruinooge, Executive Director, The Last Green Valley

Brian Yacino, Thompson Chairman of the Economic Development Commission

Mae Flexer, State Senator 29th District

Attorney Steven Adams, The Wyndham Land Trust

All residents of Pompeo Road