Exhibit A – CT Department of Agriculture Letter of No Material Impact



CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

450 Columbus Blvd, Suite 701 | Hartford, Connecticut 06103 | 860.713.2500 Office of the Commissioner

An Equal Opportunity Employer



September 22, 2025

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Verogy VCP Groton Landfill, 685 Flanders Road, Groton, proposed 4.975-Megawatt AC solar project – No Material Affect Letter from the Department of Agriculture

Dear Executive Director Bachman:

Pursuant to 16-50k(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, we have reviewed the above cited project with respect to agricultural impacts, specifically, to determine whether "...such project will not materially affect the status of such land as prime farmland..."

The Petitioner is proposing to construct a 4.975-megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located on the Town of Groton's, closed, capped landfill located at 685 Flanders Road in Groton. The parcel contains prime farmland soils and statewide important farmland soils outside the boundaries of the solar installation and are impacted by the previous operation of a municipal landfill. Based on preliminary information provided to DOAG on August 1, 2025 (enclosed), there is no current agricultural production on the site and there will be no material impact beyond the previously existing impacts.

As a result, the Department of Agriculture concludes this project **will not** materially affect the status of project land as prime farmland.

Should any changes raise concerns to the Agency, we reserve the right to modify our position on this project, including opposing it, as detailed plans are provided by the Petitioner. Nothing in this letter relieves the Petitioner of other obligations under applicable federal, state, and local law that may be necessary as part of the proposed project design and implementation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jaime Smith of my staff. Jaime can be reached at Jaime.Smith@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

Bryan P. Hurlburt Commissioner

Enc. Groton LF Soils Figure

Groton Landfill DoAg Consultation

PE1682 Incomplete Notice

Cc: Katie Dykes, Commissioner, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

James Cerkanowicz, Verogy