Meeting Minutes

Meeting of October 1, 2015

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, October 1, 2015, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:10 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein Chairman Michael Caron (designee for Chairman House) Daniel P. Lynch, Jr. Michael W. Klemens James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)
Philip T. Ashton

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney Fred Cunliffe Supervising Siting Analyst Christina Walsh Supervising Siting Analyst Robert Mercier Siting Analyst Michael Perrone Siting Analyst

Staff Members Absent

Cymon Holzschuh Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of September 17, 2015.

Mr. Caron moved to approve the minutes of September 17, 2015, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed with Mr. Murphy abstaining.

DOCKET NO. 461 - Eversource Energy application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115-kilovolt (kV) bulk substation located at 290 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut, and two 115-kV underground transmission circuits extending approximately 2.3 miles between the proposed substation and the existing Cos Cob Substation, Greenwich, Connecticut, and related substation improvements. Request for Intervenor Status, OCC Request for Administrative Notice.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant intervenor status to Meg Glass and group Ms. Glass with the grouped intervenors Bella Nonna Restaurant & Pizzeria, Greenwich Chiropractic & Nutrition, and Joel Paul Berger in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n(c), seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lynch moved to grant the Office of Consumer Counsel's request for administrative notice of the State of New York Public Service Commissions order Establishing Brooklyn/Queens Demand Management Program – Case 14-E-0302, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1180 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing building at Holy Family Monastery Retreat House & Center located at 303 Middle Road, Farmington, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Mr. Hannon recusing.

PETITION NO. 1181 – SolarCity Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction and operation of a 4.93 Megawatt Community Shared Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located at 9 Stott Avenue & 292 Plain Hill Road, Norwich, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to set February 19, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1182 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing building at Farm Car Care Center Inc. located at 11 Windermere Avenue, Vernon, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

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PETITION NO. 1183 - Wallingford Energy II, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction and operation of two natural gas fired 50 megawatt peaking units and associated equipment at an existing electric generating facility located at 115 John Street, Wallingford, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to set February 26, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1184 - Beacon Falls Energy Park, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, operation, and maintenance of a 63.3 Megawatt AC fuel cell facility located on Lopus Road, Beacon Falls, Connecticut. Schedule.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the schedule for processing the petition as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Lisa Mathews as the custodian of the petition, the deposition of the transcript in the Town of Beacon Falls, a public field review and hearing in the Town of Beacon Falls on Thursday, November 5, 2015; seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1185 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of the existing Sanctuary of Faith and Glory Church located at 752 Bloomfield Avenue, Windsor, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to set February 26, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1186 – Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed partial decommissioning of 0.5 miles of existing 115-kV transmission line and modifications to its existing 115-kV transmission line and related substation improvements located at 181 Cove Road, Haddam, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to set March 1, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1187 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of the existing Griswold High School located at 303 Slater Avenue, Griswold, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

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Mr. Murphy moved to set March 1, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1188 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 1081 Huntington Road, Stratford, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to set March 2, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1189 – The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the existing Mix Avenue Substation located at 690 Mix Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut and related improvements to existing electric transmission line circuits from Mix Avenue Substation to Glen Lake Junction and from June Street Substation to Pease Road. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to set March 2, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1190 – Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Hyatt Hotels Corporation, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the location and construction of a Customer-Side 500-Kilowatt Fuel Cell to be located at the Hyatt Hotel building at 1800 East Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to set March 11, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Tuesday, October 6, 2015, evidentiary hearing beginning at 11:00 a.m. for Docket No. 461, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- ***CANCELLED*** Thursday, October 15, 2015, energy/telecommunications meeting, in New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, October 29, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, November 12, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, December 10, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

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Adjournment.

Mr. Hannon moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein Chairman

RS/cm