

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of February 16, 2017

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, February 16, 2017, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Robert Silvestri

Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)
Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman Dykes)

Council Members Absent:

James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman

Michael Harder
Michael W. Klemens

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Supervising Siting Analyst

Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of January 19, 2017

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the minutes of January 19, 2017; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

2. DOCKET NO. 467 - Homeland Towers, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Brookfield Tax Assessor Map E10, Lot 014, 100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the condition that Homeland Towers LLC provide a copy of the updated Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Natural Diversity Database review letter, as indicated in the environmental notes sheet of the Development and Management Plan, prior to commencement of construction; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **PETITION NO. 1226 - Eversource Energy declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of the new 115-kV Towantic Switching Station to be located adjacent to the Towantic Generating Station on Woodruff Hill Road, Oxford, Connecticut and the proposed modifications within existing right-of-way to its existing 1575 and 1585 115-kV electric transmission line extending 6.1 miles from Bunker Hill Substation, located at Clough Road, Waterbury, south through Middlebury to the proposed Towantic Switching station and reconductoring of its existing 1575 115-kV electric transmission line extending one mile from the proposed new switching station south to Structure 1446 (Oxford Tap) located near the Oxford Substation, Commerce Drive, Oxford. FAA Modification.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the petition modifications; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **PETITION NO. 1262 - Doosan Fuel Cell America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of 1380-kilowatt customer-side combined heat and power fuel cell facility to be located at the Borough of Naugatuck Waste Water Treatment Plant, 500 Cherry Street Extension, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PETITION NO. 1266 - Doosan Fuel Cell America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 1840-kilowatt customer-side fuel cell facility to be located at the Waterbury Water Pollution Control Plant, 210 Municipal Road, Waterbury, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1275 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Stanley Black & Decker, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the Stanley Access Technologies building, 65 Scott Swamp Road, Farmington, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition that minor project changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed with Mr. Hannon abstaining.

7. **PETITION NO. 1277 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Stanley Black & Decker, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 250-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the Stanley Black & Decker World Headquarters, 1000 Stanley Drive, New Britain, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition that minor project changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **PETITION NO. 1278 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Medtronic Inc., petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at 20 Middletown Avenue and a Customer-Side 300 Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at 195 McDermott Road, both located at the Medtronic campus in North Haven, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **PETITION NO. 1279 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for The TJX Companies Inc., petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 500-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the TJX building, 1415 Blue Hills Avenue, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **PETITION NO. 1283 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the existing Southington Substation located at 315 Belleview Avenue, Southington, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

11. **PETITION NO. 1284 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for FedEx Ground, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 250-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the FedEx Ground building, 40 Kennedy Road, South Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

12. **PETITION NO. 1285 - 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 wireless telecommunications facility on a replacement light pole located at Samuel M. Peretz Park, 221 West Main Street, Niantic (East Lyme), Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

13. **PETITION NO. 1286 - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed West Brookfield Reliability Project that includes reconductoring of approximately 1.4 miles of its existing No. 1887 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line within existing Eversource electric transmission line right of way between the existing West Brookfield Substation located at 83 Prange Road and the existing West Brookfield Junction near Pocono Road in Brookfield, Connecticut, installation of two 14.4 Megavolt Ampere Reactive (MVAR) capacitor banks at the West Brookfield Substation located at 83 Prange Road, Brookfield, Connecticut and related substation and transmission line structure improvements. Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to set July 12, 2017, as the date for decision; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

14. **TS-T-MOBILE-031-170117 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 36 Mohawk Mountain Road, Cornwall, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this tower share request with the following conditions:

- Installation of the coax in accordance with the recommendations of the Structural Analysis Report prepared by American Tower dated December 15, 2016 and stamped by Scott Wirgau; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the equipment installation, T-Mobile shall provide documentation certified by a Professional Engineer that its installation complied with the recommendations of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Silvestri, and passed unanimously.

15. Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were also discussed:

- Thursday, March 2, 2017, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, March 16, 2017, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, March 30, 2017, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Stein
Chairman

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