Meeting Minutes

Meeting of March 30, 2017

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, March 30, 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 Robert Hannon

Chairman (designee for Commissioner Klee)

James J. Murphy, Jr. Larry Levesque

Vice Chairman Dykes)

Robert Silvestri Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Council Members Absent:

Michael W. Klemens Michael Harder

Staff Members Present:

Melanie BachmanRobert MercierExecutive Director/Staff AttorneySiting AnalystFred CunliffeMichael PerroneSupervising Siting AnalystSiting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of March 16, 2017

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the minutes of March 16, 2017; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

2. LIFE-CYCLE 2017 - Connecticut Siting Council 2017 Analysis of Life-Cycle Costs of Electric Transmission Lines. Schedule.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the schedule for processing the 2017 Analysis of Life-Cycle Costs of Electric Transmission Lines as per staff recommendations, the deposition of the transcript in the Council's office in New Britain, and a public comment session beginning at 6:30 p.m. per the requirements of C.G.S. § 16-50r (b) on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, in Hearing Room Two at the Council's office in New Britain; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

3. FORECAST-2016/2017 - Connecticut Siting Council 2017 Ten-Year Forecast of Electric Loads and Resources. Schedule.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the schedule for processing the 2017 Ten-Year Forecast of Electric Loads and Resources as per staff recommendations, the deposition of the transcript in the Council's office in New Britain, and a public comment session beginning at 6:30 p.m. per the requirements of C.G.S. § 16-50r (a) on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, in Hearing Room Two at the Council's office in New Britain; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

4. DOCKET NO. 469 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Killingly Tax Assessor's Map 143, Lot 6, 520 Bailey Hill Road, Killingly, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Development and Management Plan; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

5. DOCKET NO. 471 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Hamden Tax Assessor's Map 2826, Block 24, 208 Kirk Road (a/k/a 1075 Paradise Avenue), Hamden, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the motion for protective order; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri recusing.

6. PETITION NO. 1289 - 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 Green Hill Substation located at 775 Green Hill Road, Madison, Connecticut. Decision.

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

7. PETITION NO. 1291 - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the Towantic Line Upgrades Project that includes rebuilding and reconductoring approximately 4.4 miles of its existing 115-kilovolt electric transmission lines within existing Eversource right of way between Devon 7R Substation and East Devon Junction both located in the City of Milford, Connecticut; between the West Devon Junction located in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut and Trumbull Junction located in the Town of Trumbull, Connecticut; and between Devon 7R Substation located in the City of Milford, Connecticut and West Devon Junction located in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut and related transmission line structure improvements. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to set August 18, 2017, as the date by which to render a decision; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

8. PETITION NO. 1292 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Digital Realty, 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 2 Megawatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the Digital Realty building, 80 Merritt Boulevard, Trumbull, Connecticut, Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to set August 25, 2017, as the date by which to render a decision; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

9. PETITION NO. 1293 - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for all transmission facility asset condition maintenance improvements to comply with the updated National Electric Safety Code clearance requirements. Decision.

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

10. Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were also discussed:

- Thursday, April 13, 2017, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. - CANCELED
- Thursday, April 27, 2017, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Tuesday, May 2, 2017, public hearing beginning with a 2:00 p.m. public field review, a 3:00 p.m. evidentiary session, and a 7:00 p.m. public comment session for Docket No. 471 at the Legislative Council Chambers, Memorial Town Hall, 2372 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut.

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Adjournment.

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

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Stein Chairman

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