



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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### Meeting Minutes

#### Meeting of October 11, 2018

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018, 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

James J. Murphy, Jr.

Vice Chairman

Michael Harder

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Edward Edelson

Michael W. Klemens

Robert Silvestri

#### Council Members Absent:

Larry Levesque

(designee for Chairman Dykes)

Robert Hannon

(designee for Commissioner Klee)

#### Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman

Executive Director/Staff Attorney

Fred Cunliffe

Supervising Siting Analyst

Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo

Siting Analyst

Robert Mercier

Siting Analyst

Michael Perrone

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#### Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

#### 1. Minutes of September 27, 2018

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the minutes of September 27, 2018; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Harder abstaining.

- 2. DOCKET NO. 483 - The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Pequonnock Substation Rebuild Project that entails construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115/13.8-kilovolt (kV) gas insulated replacement substation facility located 700 feet southwest of UI's existing Pequonnock substation on an approximately 3.7 acre parcel owned by PSEG Power Connecticut, LLC at 1 Kiefer Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and related transmission structure and interconnection improvements. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

During the review of the Draft Opinion, Mr. Edelson moved to include in the draft Opinion and Decision and Order the words "at a minimum" when describing the Council condition that the substation be constructed at 2-feet above the 17-foot originally proposed design flood elevation. The motion failed.

Dr. Klemens moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, as amended; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

- 3. PETITION NO. 1137 - Windham Solar, LLC declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction and operation of five 1.0 MW and one 1.1 MW Solar Photovoltaic Renewable Energy Generating facilities located at 1 Williams Crossing Road, Lebanon, Connecticut. Request for Amendment Decision.**

Mr. Lynch departed from the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the request to amend the petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

- 4. LIFE-CYCLE 2017 - Connecticut Siting Council 2017 Analysis of Life-Cycle Costs of Electric Transmission Lines. Draft Report.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the draft 2017 Analysis of Life-Cycle Costs of Electric Transmission Lines Report, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50r (b); seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

- 5. 2018 Statewide Telecommunications Coverage Plan. Draft Plan.**

Dr. Klemens moved to approve the draft 2018 Statewide Telecommunications Coverage Plan, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50ee; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, October 25, 2018, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

**Adjournment.**

Mr. Edelson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robert Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/laf