

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of December 6, 2018

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, December 6, 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
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Edward Edelson
Michael Harder

Robert Hannon (designee for Commissioner Klee) Larry Levesque (designee for Chairman Dykes) Michael W. Klemens Robert Silvestri

Staff Members Present:

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

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of November 8, 2018.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2018; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Harder and Dr. Klemens abstaining.

2. DOCKET NO. 391 - Bay Communications II LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 232 Shore Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.

- 3. DOCKET NO. 393 Bay Communications II LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 61-1 Buttonball Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.
- 4. DOCKET NO. 399 Bay Communications II LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 166 Pawcatuck Avenue, Stonington, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.
- 5. DOCKET NO. 417 Bay Communications II LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Moose Hill Road, Guilford, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.
 - Mr. Levesque arrived at 1:03 p.m.
 - Mr. Edelson moved to approve the Transfers of Certificates for items 2-5; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. PETITION NO. 1347 GRE GACRUX LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 16.78-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 117 Oil Mill Road and associated electrical interconnection to Eversource Energy's existing substation at 325 Waterford Parkway North in Waterford, Connecticut. Request for Reconsideration.

Mr. Silvestri moved to deny the Request for Reconsideration; seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed with Mr. Edelson recusing and Mr. Levesque voting no.

7. PETITION NO. 1351 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Wallingford to Branford Upgrade Project consisting of the replacement of approximately 10 miles of its existing No. 1655 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line structures within existing Eversource electric transmission line right of way between the existing East Wallingford Junction located at Traditions Golf Course in Wallingford and the existing Branford Substation located at 272 East Main Street in Branford, Connecticut, traversing Wallingford, North Haven, East Haven, North Branford and Branford, and related electric transmission line structure improvements. Decision.

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

8. PETITION NO. 1352 - Nutmeg Solar, LLC, petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 19.6-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 162 acres comprised of 9 separate parcels located generally south of Bailey Road and east of Route 191 (Broad Brook Road), and associated electrical interconnection to Eversource Energy's Scitico Substation at 20 Bailey Road in Enfield, Connecticut. Requests for Public Hearing. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

- Mr. Murphy moved to hold a hearing on this petition; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.
- Dr. Klemens moved to grant party status to the Town of Enfield; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.
- Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the schedule for processing this petition per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.
- 9. PETITION NO. 1353 The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k for the proposed modifications to the existing Seaview Tap Substation located at 1677 Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Decision.
 - Mr. Murphy moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.
- 10. PETITION NO. 1354 Chatfield Solar Fund, LLC, petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.98-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 25 acres located generally south of Route 80 (North Branford Road) and east of Chestnut Hill Road in Killingworth, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection to Eversource Energy's Green Hill Substation located at 775 Green Hill Road, Madison, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.
 - Mr. Murphy moved to set the date by which to render a decision in this matter as no later than April 21, 2019; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion was withdrawn.
 - Dr. Klemens moved to hold a hearing on this petition; seconded by Mr. Lynch for purposes of discussion. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri and Mr. Lynch voting no.
- 11. PETITION NO. 1355 Doosan Fuel Cell America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 440-kilowatt customer-side combined heat and power fuel cell facility to be located at Carla's Pasta, 50 Talbot Lane, South Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.
 - Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

12. PETITION NO. 1356 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of the existing Ruth Haas Library at Western Connecticut State University located at 181 White Street, Danbury, Connecticut. Decision.

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

13. TS-T-MOBILE-167-181029 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 1116 Johnson Road (a/k/a 1027 Racebrook Road), Woodbridge, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

- 14. TS-T-MOBILE-055-181031 T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 442 North Street, Goshen, Connecticut. Decision.
- 15. TS-T-MOBILE-042-181105 T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 151 Young Street, East Hampton, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to table the tower share request items 14 and 15 for more information; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

16. TS-T-MOBILE-143-181115 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 136 Wright Road, Torrington, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

17. Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, December 20, 2018, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. **CANCELED**
- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, January 3, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. **CANCELED**

Chairman Stein announced his resignation, effective January 4, 2019.

Adjournment.

Mr. Silvestri moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein Chairman

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