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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of October 7, 2021

A tele-conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, October 7, 2021. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Presiding Officer John Morissette at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

John Morissette
Presiding Officer
Louanne Cooley
Edward Edelson

Quat Nguyen
(designee for Chairman Gillett)
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Robert Silvestri

Staff Members Present:

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

Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst
Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Mathews

1. Minutes of September 23, 2021.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Minutes of September 23, 2021; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

2. FORECAST-2021/2022 - Connecticut Siting Council 2020 Review of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources. Public Comment Session Schedule.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Public Comment Session Schedule as per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **PETITION NO. 1406A – 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 grid-side 9.66-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at 600 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection to the United Illuminating Company's existing Congress Street Substation. NuPower Bridgeport FC, LLC Reopening of this petition based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). Allco Motion to Change the Procedural Schedule to Allow for Additional Discovery. Allco Motion to Stay Proceedings until an Environmental Impact Evaluation is Prepared. Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to deny Allco's Motion to Change the Procedural Schedule to Allow for Additional Discovery and Allco's Motion to Stay Proceedings until an Environmental Impact Evaluation is Prepared; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Nguyen abstaining.

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. After discussion, Mr. Edelson withdrew his motion and Mr. Lynch withdrew his second.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the petition with the conditions noted in the staff report and the additional condition that one foot of fill be added for flood protection; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Mr. Nguyen abstaining.

4. **PETITION NO. 1459 - 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 modifications to its existing Shunock Substation located at 25 Pendleton Hill Road, North Stonington, Connecticut and related electric transmission line structure improvements. Decision.**

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

5. **PETITION NO. 1460 – Greenskies Clean Energy, 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 4.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located east of the Cornwall town boundary at 129 Bartholomew Hill Road, Goshen, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action - Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than February 9, 2022; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1461 – SBA Communications Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed**

replacement and extension of an existing telecommunications facility located at 130 Welles Road, Groton, Connecticut. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action - Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Edelson moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than February 14, 2022; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **PETITION NO. 1462 – Distributed Solar Operations, LLC and IKEA Property, Inc. notice of election to waive exclusion from Connecticut Siting Council jurisdiction, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(e), and petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 0.90-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at IKEA, 450 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action - Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than February 16, 2022; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of Consent Calendar

Mr. Lynch moved to adopt a consent calendar for tower share requests, seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Silvestri moved to group together the tower share requests in Item Nos. 8-15 seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Calendar – Item Nos. 8-15

8. **TS-DISH-154A-210819 - DISH Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 1102 Horse Hill Road, Westbrook, Connecticut. Decision.**
9. **TS-T-MOBILE-053-210901 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 5 Tyler Drive, Franklin, Connecticut. Decision.**
10. **TS-T-MOBILE-003-210903 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 229-231 Ashford Center Road, Ashford, Connecticut. Decision.**

11. **TS-T-MOBILE-123-210909 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 165 Huntington Road, Scotland, Connecticut. Decision.**
12. **TS-DISH-164-210914 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 750 Rainbow Road, Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.**
13. **TS-DISH-077-210914 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 266R Center Street, Manchester, Connecticut. Decision.**
14. **TS-DISH-052-210914 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 8040 Birdseye Road, Farmington, Connecticut. Decision.**
15. **TS-T-MOBILE-136-210916 – T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 5 Exeter Drive, Sterling, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the tower share requests (Item Nos. 8-15) on the consent calendar with the condition that approval of any project changes be delegated to Council Staff; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

16. **Administrative Matters**

The following energy/telecommunications meeting and public hearing dates were discussed:

- Docket No. 502, Tuesday, October 19, 2021, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m., via Zoom remote conferencing
- Energy/Telecommunications telemeeting, Thursday, October 21, 2021, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**

Adjournment.

Mr. Silvestri moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously. Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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