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**Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting of September 14, 2023**

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, September 14, 2023. 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  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
Robert Silvestri

Brian Golembiewski  
(designee for Commissioner Dykes)  
Quat Nguyen  
(designee for Chairman Gillett)

**Council Members Absent:**

Robert Hannon

**Staff Members Present:**

Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director/Staff Attorney  
Robert Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo  
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh  
Supervising Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst  
Adam N. Morrone  
Siting Analyst

**Recording Secretary:**

Lisa Fontaine

**1. Minutes of August 31, 2023.**

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve the Minutes of August 31, 2023; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **DOCKET NO. 517 - MCM Holdings, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at the Boy Scouts of America Camp Hoyt, 288 Simpaug Turnpike (Parcel No. 12-29), Redding, Connecticut. Requests for Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to grant Intervenor status to Suzanne Fogle; seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Nguyen moved to grant Intervenor status to JoAnn Villamizar; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to grant Intervenor status to Danielle Caldwell; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Silvestri moved to grant Intervenor status to Meredith Miller; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to grant Intervenor status to New Pond Farm Education Center; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to grant Intervenor status to Marchant Farm, LLC; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to group Suzanne Fogle, JoAnn Villamizar, Danielle Caldwell, and Meredith Miller with Resident Intervenor Dorothy DeLuca, who was granted status on August 31, 2023, pursuant to CGS §16-50n(c) on the basis that they have the same interests as area residents and to group New Pond Farm Education Center and Marchant Farm LLC, pursuant to CGS §16-50n(c) on the basis that they have the same interests as area business owners; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **DOCKET NO. 518 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T and Tarpon Towers III, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 99 Dart Hill Road, South Windsor, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the schedule per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **PETITION NO. 1533A - ReNew Developers, LLC Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 4.99-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at 42 Old Amston Road, Colchester, Connecticut. Reopening of this Declaratory Ruling based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Golembiewski 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 January 16, 2024; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PETITION NO. 1567 - 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 1637/1720 Lines Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along its existing 4.0 mile electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) Nos. 1637 and 1720 Lines between Grist Mill Road in Norwalk, Norwalk Junction in Wilton, and Weston Substation in Weston, Connecticut traversing the municipalities of Norwalk, Wilton, and Weston, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. Decision.**

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report with the additional condition to submit a post-restoration wetland and watercourses report and with the recommendation to consider relocation of new mid-span Structure 19803, if feasible; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1570 - Dish Wireless, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to an existing telecommunications facility located at Chesley Park, 35 Wildwood Street, New Britain, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report, as amended and with the additional condition that the proposed fence for the expansion area is designed to match the existing equipment compound fence; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **PETITION NO. 1586 - Dominion Energy Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, that neither a new Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) nor a modification to its existing Certificate is required to revise the boundaries of the Millstone Power Station electric generating facility site located off Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut. Request for Party Status. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action - Requests for Public Hearing.**

Mr. Lynch moved to grant Party status to the Town of Waterford; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Silvestri moved to deny the Requests for Public Hearing with prejudice. The motion failed.

Mr. Silvestri moved to deny the Requests for Public Hearing without prejudice; seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed with Mr. Nguyen and Mr. Lynch voting no.

Mr. Silvestri 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 January 24, 2024; seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item No. 8**

Presiding Officer Morissette introduced the Tower Share Request Consent Calendar as Item No. 8. The Consent Calendar was adopted.

8. **TS-ATT-106-230713 - AT&T request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 40 River Street, Old Saybrook, Connecticut. Decision.**
9. **Administrative Matters**

The following energy/telecommunications meeting dates were discussed:

- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, September 28, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Petition No. 1583, Thursday, October 5, 2023, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, October 12, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 516, Tuesday, October 17, 2023, **continued evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.

**Adjournment.**

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed unanimously.  
Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman".

**Melanie A. Bachman**  
**Executive Director**

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