

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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# Meeting Minutes Meeting of May 25, 2023

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, May 25, 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)

#### **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 May 11, 2023.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Minutes of May 11, 2023; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

2. PETITION NO. 1560 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (Eversource) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Norwalk Bridge Transmission Relocation Project that consists of the relocation and rebuild of two existing overhead 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission lines from railroad catenaries and existing structures within the Connecticut Department of Transportation corridor to an underground configuration within roads and across the Norwalk River for approximately .66 miles between existing Structure No. 522WN north of Monroe Street and Structure No. 536WN north of Van Zant Street in Norwalk, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line improvements. Decision.

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

3. PETITION NO. 1561 - Bloom Energy Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 350-kilowatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at Naugatuck Valley Community College, 750 Chase Parkway, Waterbury, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Nguyen. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.

4. PETITION NO. 1563 - Bloom Energy Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 250-kilowatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at Manchester Community College, 14 Great Path, Manchester, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Nguyen moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report and the additional condition that a Landscaping Plan for the replacement of two trees be provided prior to the commencement of construction; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.

5. PETITION NO. 1564 - Bloom Energy Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 2-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at Central Connecticut State University, 1615 Stanley Street, New Britain, Connecticut. Decision.

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

6. PETITION NO. 1572 - East Windsor Solar Two, 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 at 31 Thrall Road, East Windsor, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Nguyen moved to grant the Town of East Windsor party status; seconded by Mr.

Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item Nos. 7 – 11**

Presiding Officer Morissette introduced the Tower Share Request Consent Calendar as Item Nos. 7-11. The Consent Calendar was adopted.

- 7. TS-VER-121-230427 Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 160 Witch Meadow Road, Salem, Connecticut. Decision.
- 8. TS-DISH-163-230504 Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 10 Northridge Road, Windham, Connecticut. Decision.
- 9. TS-VER-011-230505 Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 7A Old Windsor Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Decision.
- 10. TS-DISH-169-230505 Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 215 Coatney Hill Road, Woodstock, Connecticut. Decision.
- 11. TS-VER-112-230509 Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 62 Babbitt Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut. Decision.

#### 12. Administrative Matters

The following energy/telecommunications meeting dates were discussed:

- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, June 8, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 514, Thursday, June 15, 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, June 22, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 515, Thursday, June 29, 2023, evidentiary hearing session beginning at 2:00 p.m. and public comment session beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.

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### Adjournment.

Mr. Silvestri moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously. Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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