PROTECTIVE ORDER CONCERNING PROVISION OF CONFIDENTIAL-PROPRIETARY INFORMATION FILED IN PETITION NOS. 1150, 1181 AND 1192

WHEREAS, as required by Section 16-50j-62(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA"), Tesla Energy Operations, Inc. ("Tesla") is filing with the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") the final report for each of Petition Nos. 1150, 1181, and 1192;

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCSA Section 16-50j-62(c)(5), the final report must identify the actual construction cost of the facility, including, but not limited to, the following costs: (A) clearing and access; (B) construction of the facility and associated equipment; (C) rehabilitation; and (D) property acquisition for the site or access to the site;

WHEREAS, such actual construction cost information contains information and data that would, in the opinion of Tesla result in the disclosure of: (a) Tesla's confidential, proprietary, or otherwise sensitive commercial and financial information that is given in confidence and not required by statute under Conn. Gen. Stat. §1-210(b)(5)(B), and (b) Tesla' trade secrets under Conn. Gen. Stat. §1-210(b)(5)(A) ("Confidential Information"); and

WHEREAS, RCSA Section 16-50j-62(d) expressly permits a facility owner or operator to file a motion for a protective order pertaining to commercial or financial information in a final report.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the following procedure is adopted for the protection of Tesla's Confidential Information.

- 1. All Confidential Information provided by Tesla, whether in documentary form or otherwise, shall be identified as follows: "CONFIDENTIAL-PROPRIETARY INFORMATION SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN PETITION NOS. 1150, 1181 and 1192" and will be governed by the terms of this Protective Order (the "Order"). The Order is applicable to all such Confidential Information, whether in the form of documents, data, testimony, studies or otherwise.
- 2. Confidential Information shall be marked as such and delivered in sealed envelopes to Melanie Bachman, Executive Director of the Council. A statement in the following form shall be placed prominently on each envelope:
 - "CONFIDENTIAL-PROPRIETARY SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN PETITION NOS. 1150, 1181 and 1192. This envelope is not to be opened nor the contents to be displayed or revealed except pursuant to the pertinent Protective Order issued in Petitions 1150, 1181, and 1192."
- 3. All Confidential Information shall be made available pursuant to this Order to commissioners and staff of the Council for review.

4. All such commissioners and staff to this protective order agree to be bound by its terms and shall not use or disclose the Confidential Information except for purposes of this proceeding.

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

By

Chairman

Dated: 7 19 2018