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October 1, 2015

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Acting Executive Director ^{MAB}

RE: **PETITION NO. 1184** - Beacon Falls Energy Park, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, operation, and maintenance of a 63.3 Megawatt AC fuel cell facility located on Lopus Road, Beacon Falls, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The petition is from Beacon Falls Energy Park, LLC for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for a 63.3 Megawatt AC fuel cell facility located in the Town of Beacon Falls, Connecticut. The proposed facility is located on a 25-acre parcel south of Lopus Road and east of Gruber Road and owned by O&G Industries, Inc.

II. Technical

The petition conforms to the Council's guide for *Petition for Declaratory Ruling for Renewable Energy Facility* dated September 2012 and includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed project, costs, environmental effects, and health and safety information. The petition meets statutory technical requirements for processing the petition. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

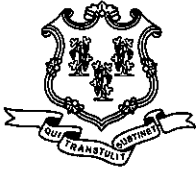
All service and filing requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39 have been fulfilled.

IV. Procedural

The Council must appoint a custodian of the petition and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Lisa Mathews as custodian of the petition, holding the public hearing in the Town of Beacon Falls on Thursday, November 5, 2015, and depositing the transcript in the Beacon Falls Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

Enclosure: Schedule



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SCHEDULE

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Petition Received	08/31/15
Council request for more information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39a	09/09/15
Date Petitioner submitted complete information per Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-39a	09/14/15
Completeness review	10/01/15
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	10/01/15
• Set-One responses due	10/22/15
Pre-hearing conference (11:00 a.m.)	10/14/15
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	10/22/15
Pre-filed testimony due	10/29/15
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	10/29/15
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	11/05/15
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	11/05/15
Close of Record	12/04/15
Draft Findings of Fact	12/10/15
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	01/07/16
Deadline for Decision	03/11/16

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

Revised 10/2/2015