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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 8, 2015

Peter W. Davis
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1192** - SolarCity Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction and operation of a 2.74 Megawatt Community Shared Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located on two City of Norwich-owned parcels on Rogers Road, Norwich, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Davis:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Town of Norwich's correspondence dated October 6, 2015 concerning the above-referenced petition. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

This petition will be placed on a future Council meeting agenda for discussion and decision. Please note that you can view all of the documents related to this petition on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the "Pending Proceedings" link. You may also keep apprised of Council events on the website calendar and agenda. If the Council decides to hold a public hearing, public notice of the hearing location, date and time will be provided.

Before reaching a final decision on a petition, the Council carefully considers all of the facts contained in the record that is developed by the Council, the petitioner, parties and intervenors to the petition, and members of the public who attend the field review and submit written statements to the Council.

Your comments shall become part of the official record in this matter in the form of a limited appearance defined under subsection (f) of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n. Copies of your correspondence will be distributed to the petitioner and parties and intervenors to the petition.

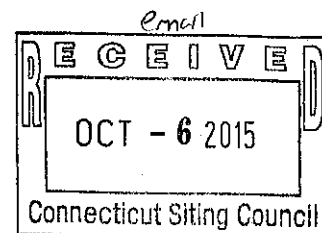
Thank you for your interest and concern in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman
Acting Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors
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CITY OF NORWICH

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October 6, 2015

Robert Stein, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
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Subject : Petition # 1192; Brightfields Development, LLC. Rogers Road, Norwich, CT

Chairman Stein:

I would request that this correspondence be made part of the public record, relative to the application by Brightfields Development, LLC; Petition # 1192.

The City of Norwich and Norwich Public Utilities has a proud history of supporting alternative energy sources and actively seeking opportunities to explore energy partnerships throughout the Southeastern Connecticut region. The proposed solar installation at Rogers Road within the limits of a prior landfill, is another chance for the City and NDPU to further that mission. Further, the project represents a significant opportunity to create a "green" project within an environmentally challenged area of the City. It will serve for years to come as an example of a sustainable adaptive reuse project.

Our 2013 Plan of Conservation and Development encourages and supports the goal of exploring alternative energy options. We also work very hard at improving and expanding the infrastructure required to meet not only our community's needs, but the region as well. This is an exciting opportunity and we look forward to working with Brightfields Development towards the successful completion of this project.

Sincerely,

Peter W. Davis

Director of Planning & Neighborhood Services