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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1195** - 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 4.05 Megawatt Community Shared Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located on municipally-owned property at 1240 Poquonnock Road, Groton, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Small:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than December 3, 2015. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office, as well as a copy via electronic mail. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

Melanie A. Bachman
Acting Executive Director

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c: Elie Schechter, SolarCity Corporation
Council Members

Petition No. 1195
SolarCity Corporation
1240 Poquonnock Road, Groton
Interrogatories – Set 2

1. The Council is in receipt of the Town of Groton Inland Wetlands Agency and Planning Commission comments dated November 13, 2015. Could SolarCity Corporation (SolarCity) respond to the comments noted in that letter? Specifically, please address the following:
 - a) Would SolarCity be amenable to limiting the construction hours for the installation of support posts to 9am to 5pm on Monday thru Friday in order to limit the impact on the nearby residences?
 - b) Has SolarCity considered adding additional landscaping along the southeast border of the facility to further buffer the facility from the adjacent residential area?
 - c) Specifically, which measures have been incorporated into the design of the project to protect water resources?
 - d) Comment on whether the distances from the panels to the reservoir and the wetlands are sufficient to protect these resources.
 - e) Would the solar panels “heat” rainwater and potentially thermally pollute wetlands?