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Sharon Calitro, AICP, Director of Planning
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Planning and Zoning Department
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1274** - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Frontier Communications Corporation, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the Frontier building, 39 West Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Calitro:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the City of Danbury Planning and Zoning Department correspondence dated December 28, 2016 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 Matters" 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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From: Jennifer L. Emminger, AICP
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Date: December 28, 2016

**Re: Bloom Energy
Frontier Communications
39 West Street**

The Department received a certified letter from Justin Adams, Bloom Energy, on December 27, 2016, notifying the City of Danbury that Bloom Energy filed a petition for declaratory ruling with the Siting Council on November 14, 2016 for the construction of an ES-5 Bloom Energy Server solid oxide fuel cell on property located at 39 West Street. The Department is also in receipt of a site plan, entitled 'Frontier Communications, New Construction of Clean Energy Server, 39 West Street', prepared by Core States Group, revised through November 10, 2016. The site plan was received at the City's request after Bloom Energy sent the Department an email regarding a proposed submission to the Connecticut Siting Council.

The Department has reviewed said plan and offers the following comments for consideration by the Connecticut Siting Council:

1. The proposed site plan only shows partial views of the site and fails to show the connection between the rear of the site and the western portion of the property. Additionally, the plan does not include the recent utility/transformer improvements to the southwest corner of the site.
2. The proposed fuel cell facility is in close proximity to a three-story multi-family building, located at 6 New Street. The Department questions whether there may potential impacts to the residents.
3. The placement of the fuel cell equipment results in the loss of approximately 12 parking spaces. To ensure that there is adequate parking for the existing uses on the site, which includes Frontier Communications and the Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce, the parking table on the plan should be amended to identify both uses. The calculation noted in the table for the office use is consistent with the Zoning Regulations. It is not clear if the parking demand for Frontier is included. The Department recommends the use of an employee based calculation, including on-site company vehicles. Sufficient parking should be provided for all uses on site.

cc: Robin Edwards, Assistant Corporation Counsel