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The Honorable Susan Chapman
First Selectman
Town of New Fairfield
Town Hall
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, CT 06812-2665

RE: **PETITION NO. 1312** – Candlewood Solar LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 20 megawatt AC (26.5 megawatt DC) solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located on a 163 acre parcel at 197 Candlewood Mountain Road and associated electrical interconnection to Eversource Energy's Rocky River Substation on Kent Road in New Milford, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Chapman:

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of a petition for a declaratory ruling to construct, maintain and operate a 20 megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility in the Town of New Milford. The Town of New Fairfield is within 2,500 feet of the proposed site.

In accordance with Section 16-50j-40 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, on or about June 28, 2017, written notice of the intent to file the petition for a declaratory ruling was provided to the Council, the property owners of record, abutting property owners and the chief elected official of the municipality in which the solar facility is proposed to be located and the chief elected official of any municipalities within 2,500 feet of the proposed site.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding the above-referenced petition for a declaratory ruling, please feel free to call me at 860-827-2951 or submit written comments to the Council by July 31, 2017.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Evan White, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of New Fairfield