



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 11, 2019

Daniel E. Casagrande, Esq.  
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1312** – Candlewood Solar LLC 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. **Court-ordered remand regarding visibility.**

Dear Attorney Casagrande:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than April 25, 2019. 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.

**Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the April 25, 2019 deadline.**

Copies of your responses shall be provided to all parties and intervenors listed on the service list, which can be found on the Council's pending matters website.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,



Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: Council Members  
Parties and Intervenors

**Petition No. 1312 – Court-ordered Remand Regarding Visibility**  
**Interrogatories to Town of New Milford**  
**Set One**  
**April 11, 2019**

1. What is the maximum building height permitted in a Major Planned Residential Development District (MPRDD) zone?
2. What are the buffer area requirements for a MPRDD zone?
3. Is it permissible to utilize the existing topography or landscaping of a site as a natural screening buffer? If so, what criteria is used to determine the sufficiency of a natural screening buffer and in what zones is this permissible?
4. Referencing the Town of New Milford's denial of Application A07-003/Dunham Farm (see Petition No. 1312, Pre-Filed Testimony of Carl Dunham, September 19, 2017; Petition No. 1312, RCM's Responses to Council Interrogatories, October 24, 2017; and Petition No. 1312, Town of New Milford Inland Wetlands Commission correspondence, September 18, 2017), did the Town explore visibility of the Dunham Farm development? If so, what were the proposed buffer areas?
5. In the September 11, 2017 Town of New Milford Zoning Commission correspondence to the Siting Council, there is a recommendation to "require a 100' landscape buffer along the property's frontage on Candlewood Mountain Road and along any common property boundaries with single family homes." In the September 18, 2017 Town of New Milford Conservation Commission correspondence to the Siting Council, there is a recommendation to "require the establishment of a 60' buffer zone surrounding the entire 80 acre project." Please explain and/or reconcile these differing recommendations.