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DWW SOLAR II, LLC PETITION FOR : PETITION NO. 1313

DECLARATORY RULING THAT NO :

CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL : COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED :

IS REQUIRED FOR A 26.4 MEGAWATT : AC SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC ELECTRIC :

GENERATING FACILITY IN SIMSBURY

CONNECTICUT : SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

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