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RE: **PETITION NO. 1367** – CP Middletown Solar I, LLC and CP Middletown Solar II, LLC declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and a 0.986-megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 30 acres comprised of six abutting parcels located northeast of the intersection of Higby Road and Meriden Road (Route 66), west of Ballfall Road (Route 217) and south of Sisk Street in Middlefield and Middletown, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection.

Dear Attorney Langer:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated May 31, 2019 and June 3, 2019 regarding the minor project changes to the above-referenced declaratory ruling that was approved by the Council on May 24, 2019.

Pursuant to Condition No. 1 of the Council's Declaratory Ruling on May 24, 2019, the request to utilize underground conduit in lieu of above-ground cable trays, shift the location of the electrical cables slightly to the west, and slightly shift the solar modules that are east of the existing dividing line for the two solar facilities is hereby approved.

The original petition located the cables in above-ground cable trays in the area where the windrow of trees would be removed to avoid additional cable trenching to keep the total site disturbance under one acre with the intention to design the project to not require a General Permit from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). Since a General Permit is required per DEEP, the Project Developer plans to utilize underground conduit in lieu of the cable trays for better electrical efficiency, consistency with standard industry practices and cost effectiveness. This minor change would not impact the Environmental Assessment or other conclusions in the original Petition.

This approval applies only to the minor project changes dated May 31, 2019 and June 3, 2019.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Council Members

