

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of May 12, 2016**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, May 12, 2016, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:04 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein  
Chairman  
Michael Caron/Larry Levesque  
(designee for Chairman House)  
Robert Hannon  
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

James J. Murphy, Jr.  
Vice Chairman  
Philip T. Ashton  
Michael W. Klemens  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
Michael Harder

**Staff Members Present:**

Melanie Bachman  
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney  
Fred Cunliffe  
Supervising Siting Analyst  
Christina Walsh  
Supervising Siting Analyst

Robert Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst

**Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

**Minutes of April 28, 2016.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of April 28, 2016, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 461 - Eversource Energy application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115-kilovolt (kV) bulk substation located at 290 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut, and two 115-kV underground transmission circuits extending approximately 2.3 miles between the proposed substation and the existing Cos Cob Substation, Greenwich, Connecticut, and related substation improvements. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision & Order.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision & Order to deny the proposed project without prejudice, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed with Mr. Caron and Mr. Hannon opposed, and Mr. Lynch and Mr. Harder abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 1119 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance, and operation of three pole-mounted small cell telecommunications facilities on the Woodstock Fairgrounds property located at 281 Route 169, Woodstock, Connecticut. Request for Modification.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the request to modify the petition, seconded by Mr. Hannon.

The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1220 - Windham 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 three 2.0 Megawatt and one 1.0 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facilities located at 1219 and 1240 Voluntown Road, Griswold, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Ashton moved to set September 16, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Murphy.

The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1221 - Windham 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 two 1.0 Megawatt and one 1.5 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facilities located at 91 Plainfield Pike Road, Plainfield, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Murphy moved to set September 16, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr. Ashton.

The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1222 - Windham 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 three 2.0 Megawatt and four 1.0 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facilities located southeast of Hartford Turnpike and south of Fisk Road, Hampton, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Hannon moved to set September 16, 2016, as the date for decision, seconded by Mr.

Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1223 - SolarCity Corporation 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 3.9 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located on municipally-owned property off Old Forge Road, Rocky Hill, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Caron excused himself and Mr. Levesque took his seat.

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Dr. Klemens opposed.

**PETITION NO. 1224 – Woods Hill 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 17.61 Megawatt AC Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located at 90 and 101 Woods Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Levesque excused himself and Mr. Caron took his seat.

Dr. Klemens moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

**TS-T-MOBILE-011-160420– T-Mobile Northeast, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at Day Hill Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Thursday, May 26, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, June 9, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, June 23, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Chairman announced that the meeting scheduled for June 9, 2016, will be cancelled.

#### **Adjournment.**

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robert Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm