

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

CPG No. 16-0042-NMP

Application of Orchard Road Solar I, LLC for a )  
certificate of public good, pursuant to )  
30 V.S.A. §§ 219a and 248, for a 500 kW )  
interconnected group net-metered solar electric )  
generation system in Middletown Springs, )  
Vermont )

Order entered:

3/16/2017

**ORDER RE: COMMENTS ON PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

On July 15, 2016, Orchard Road Solar I, LLC (“Applicant”) filed with the Vermont Public Service Board (“Board”) an application for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 219a and 248, to install and operate a 500 kW group net-metered solar electric facility in Middletown Springs, Vermont.

On February 22, 2017, the Board issued an order that: (1) opened an investigation of significant issues raised by intervenors concerning aesthetics, historic sites, and orderly development; (2) provided notice of a prehearing conference to establish a schedule for the investigation; and (3) assigned a hearing officer to the case.

On March 16, 2017, as the assigned hearing officer, I held a prehearing conference in this proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered by Geoffrey H. Hand, Esq. and Victoria M. Westgate, Esq., Dunkiel Saunders Elliott Raubvogel & Hand, PLLC, on behalf of the Applicant; Stephanie Hoffman, Esq., Special Counsel, on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service (the “Department”); Brooke Dingleline, Esq., Valsangiacomo, Detora & McQuesten, P.C., on behalf of Richard M. Spitalny, Neil and Thomas Russell, and Karen and Robert Galloway; and Elizabeth W. Cooper, *pro se* (by telephone).


The Department and the Applicant have proposed the following procedural schedule:

Date	Event
Week of April 3, 2017	Site Visit
April 14, 2017	Discovery Served on Petitioner
April 21, 2017	Petitioner Responses to Discovery Due
May 19, 2017	Non-Petitioner Testimony
May 26, 2017	Discovery Served on Non-Petitioners
June 9, 2017	Non-Petitioner Responses to Discovery Due
June 16, 2017	Rebuttal Testimony
Week of June 26, 2017	Technical Hearing
	Initial Briefs (3 weeks after technical hearing)
	Reply Briefs (1 week after Initial Briefs)

Parties in attendance at the prehearing conference reached agreement on the proposed week of April 3, 2017, for a site visit. All parties to this proceeding are requested to file comments on the proposed schedule by Wednesday, March 22, 2017.


**SO ORDERED.**

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

  
Lynn Fabrizio, Esq.  
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: March 16, 2017

ATTEST:   
Deputy Clerk of the Board

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