

Town of Sutton
Planning Board & Department
4 Uxbridge Road
Sutton, Massachusetts 01590

Town of Sutton Planning Board,

As you are aware CTEC Solar received Site Plan Approval for a large scale solar ground mount solar installation and a Special Permit for a common driveway on November 16, 2020. CTEC Solar was not able to move forward with submitting for building/electrical permits due to the fact that this project was placed in a Transmission/Group Study with National Grid. National Grid highlighted the Millbury-Grafton Substation as being within a highly saturated market. This group study was conducted in order for National Grid to confirm that the Millbury-Grafton Substation could handle the load of the additional projects. This study was also necessary in order for National Grid to confirm expected upgrade costs for these projects. Without knowing these, CTEC Solar was not able to submit for permitting. I have attached all of our correspondence from National Grid dating back to 2020. To complicate matters, as you are also aware, in May of 2021 the Town removed this use from the B-2 District after we received our approval.

CTEC Solar requests your direction on a number of items:

1. Did the executive order for COVID automatically extend out our two year approval period?
 - If not, does the board consider our timely efforts and interactions with National Grid an attempt to progress our project/obtain our building permit?
 - If not, would the board consider an extension of one (1) to two (2) years to allow time for National Grid to issue their final directive?

Sincerely,

Michael Morrison

