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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Ms. Brona Simon
State Historic Preservation Officer and State Archaeologist
Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, MA 02125

RE: PROJECT NOTIFICATION FORM: EAST POINT ENERGY HILLMAN BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) PROJECT AT 73 HILLMAN STREET, TEWSKBURY, MASSACHUSETTS.

Dear Ms. Simon:

Attached please find a copy of the Project Notification Form (PNF) and accompanied project location maps and the Cultural Resources Sensitivity Assessment for the Hillman Energy Center Battery Energy Storage System Project at 73 Hillman Street, Tewksbury, Massachusetts, for your review.

Copies of the PNF and attachments are being sent via electronic mail to the Tribal Historic Preservation Offices of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe, the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah), the Narragansett Indian Tribe, the Massachusetts Commission on Indian Affairs and the Tewksbury Historical Commission.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 617.851.8228.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX A
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PROJECT NOTIFICATION FORM

Project Name: Hillman Energy Center Battery Energy Storage System Project

Location / Address: 73 Hillman Street (see attached USGS figure)

City / Town: Tewksbury

Project Proponent

Name: Hillman Energy Center, LLC (assisted by and Epsilon Associates)

Address: 310 4th Street N.E., 3rd Floor

City/Town/Zip/Telephone: Charlottesville, VA, 22902

Agency license or funding for the project (list all licenses, permits, approvals, grants or other entitlements being sought from state and federal agencies.)

Agency Name

Tewksbury Conservation Commission
MA Energy Facilities Siting Board

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Environmental Protection Agency

Type of License or funding (specify)

Order of Conditions

Certificate of Environmental Impact and Public Interest pursuant to Section 118 of the 2024 Climate Act

Pursuant to G.L. Chapter 40A§ 3 for Comprehensive Zoning Exemption

NPDES Construction General Permit for Stormwater Discharges

Project Description (narrative):

The site is an approximately 4.3-acre industrial-use area comprised of two parcels (73 and 75 Hillman Street) with two concrete block one-story industrial condominiums, with associated parking lots and compacted soils, adjacent to an active CSX Railroad to the north, Hillman Street to the south, and developed lots to the east and west, with a powerline right-of-way to the west. Hillman Energy Center, LLC is proposing to build a standalone battery energy storage system facility at the 73-75 Hillman Street parcels. The project is to construct a 125 megawatt ("MW") / 500 megawatt hour ("MWh") Battery Energy Storage System ("BESS") and related electrical infrastructure (collectively, the "Project") on approximately 4.3 acres of previously developed industrial land located at 73-75 Hillman Street in Tewksbury, Massachusetts (the "Project Site"). The Project will be interconnected to the substation owned by Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("Interconnection Substation") via an underground and overhead transmission line on approximately 0.9 acres.

Does the project include demolition? If so, specify nature of demolition and describe the building(s) which are proposed for demolition.

There are two concrete block one-story industrial condominiums built in 1990 on the 73 Hillman Street property that will be removed. The house at 75 Hillman Street, built in 1900, will also be removed.

Does the project include rehabilitation of any existing buildings? If so, specify nature of rehabilitation and describe the building(s) which are proposed for rehabilitation.

No, the project does not include building rehabilitation.

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Does the project include new construction? If so, describe (attach plans and elevations if necessary).

Yes. The BESS will consist of 169 stand-alone enclosed battery units and one new electric substation (the "Project Substation"). The Project Substation will take the routed power output from the BESS units to collection switchgear and step it up to a transmission voltage of 115 kV that allows the power from the Project to interconnect with the Interconnection Substation.

To the best of your knowledge, are any historic or archaeological properties known to exist within the project's area of potential impact? If so, specify.

The Project Area is within one-quarter mile from TEW.900 - the Tewksbury Substation and a discontinuous portion of the Tewksbury Centre historic district (TEW.E) with the c. 1780 Col. Russell Mears House (TEW.28) at 592 Main Street, Tewksbury. The structures are not affected by the proposed Project. One precontact site - the M139 Structure 1 Pull Pad Site #1 (19-MD-1167) - is located within the proposed Project Area, but not within the impact area of the connection from 73/75 Hillman Street to the powerline/substation and the proposed trenching for buried conduit duct bank and overhead segment. Due to the small size of the site and the extent of previous testing conducted, the site was not recommended as potentially eligible for listing in the National Register and will not be impacted based on Project plans. One other precontact site and one historic archaeological site are within one-quarter mile of the Project Area but outside of any proposed Project work. Enclosed with the PNF and project plans is an archaeological sensitivity assessment that summarizes the data on the field assessment and known cultural resources in the project vicinity with recommendations for protection of culturally sensitive areas.

What is the total acreage of the project area? Approximately 5.2 acres.

Woodland	_____ Acres	Productive Resources:	_____ Acres
Wetland	<u>0.6</u> Acres	Agriculture	_____ Acres
Floodplain	_____ Acres	Forestry	_____ Acres
Open space	_____ Acres	Mining	_____ Acres
Developed	<u>4.6</u> Acres	Total Project Acreage	<u>5.2</u> Acres

What is the acreage of the proposed new construction? Approximately 5.2 acres (189,000 sq ft or 4.3 acres for 73-75 Hillman St and 38,000 sq ft or 0.9 acres an interconnection transmission line).

What is the present land use of the project area?

The site is presently used as a contractor's storage yard and then as a laydown area for construction. As a result, the site contains pavements, compacted soils, some invasive vegetation, and a degraded ecology. Portions of the Project site are wooded or open field or wetlands and retain intact natural stratigraphy.

Please attach a copy of the section of the USGS quadrangle map which clearly marks the project location.

See attached USGS figure showing the project location.

This Project Notification Form has been submitted to the MHC in compliance with 950 CMR 71.00.

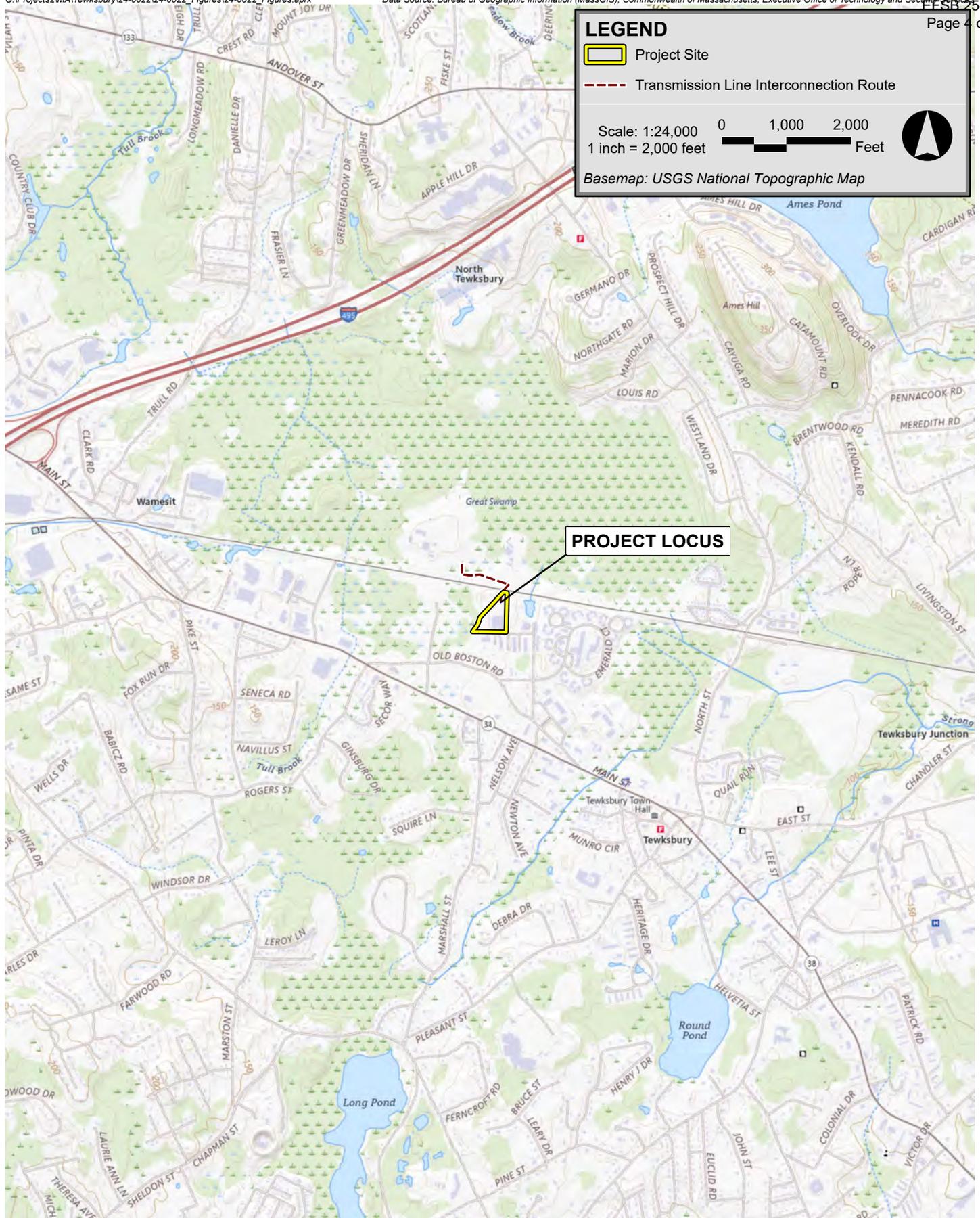
Signature of Person submitting this form: David Gutbrod Date: March 26, 2025

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Hillman Energy Center LLC Tewksbury, Massachusetts



Figure 2-1
USGS Locus Map



Hillman Energy Center LLC Tewksbury, Massachusetts



Figure 2-2
 Aerial Locus Map