

July 31, 2019

Town of Farmington Planning and Zoning Boards 1000 County Rd. 8 Farmington, NY 14425

RE: Project Status Log

Dear Town of Farmington Planning and Zoning Boards,

Delaware River Solar ("DRS") is pleased to have the opportunity to bring the benefits of Community Solar to the Town of Farmington. DRS has proposed three, 2.388 MWac Community Solar facilities that will generate, in the aggregate, approximately 7 MW of clean and "green" electricity that will be distributed over the existing electrical grid (the "Projects").

We first submitted this letter in January 9, and updated it on May 1, 2019. This letter serves as a running log of application materials submitted for Planning Board review. As the amount of materials required for this review has grown, or have been updated, this log serves to show the depth of the review to date, and, to help locate review materials required for the review.

To date, DRS has provided the following application materials, and updates:

Application Material	Date Submitted	Date Updated
1. Site Plan, Special Permit and Area Variance Application	7/172018	
Special Use Permit Application	7/172018	
3. Project Memorandum with Draft Decommissioning Plan	7/172018	
4. Full Environmental Assessment Form, with all agency	8/20/2018	2/28/2019
correspondence completed		
5. Landowner authorization form	7/17/2018	
6. Agricultural Data Statement	7/17/2018	
7. North Country Ecological Services Wetland Report	7/17/2018	
8. Preliminary Subdivision and Site Plans – Permitting Draft	8/20/2018	11/29/2018
9. Area Variance Application	8/20/2018	
10. Variance Comparison Maps – with and without variance	11/26/2018	
11. Landscape Plan	11/28/2018	1/9/2019
12. Visual Renderings	11/28/2018	1/9/2019



Application Material Date Submitted Date Updated 13. November 7, 2018 Public Hearing Comment Responses 1/15/2019 11/28/2018 With Appendices: a. Town of Farmington – 3-Phase Utility Line Map b. SEIA - Solar Industry Research Data c. NREL - Solar Irradiance Database d. Comparable Solar Array pictures e. Property Value Study f. Final Wetland Report a. NERC CP-014-2 **Physical** Security _ Requirements h. Jinko Solar Panel Specifications i. Jinko TCLP Solar Panel Test j. Area Aquifer Map k. Decommissioning Package - also included in Project Memorandum dated July 2018 I. Transformer and Inverter Specifications m. Yellow Mills Road 1-2-3. Interconnection Agreements with Rochester Gas and Electric 14. NY Agriculture and Markets Notice of Intent 12/4/2018 Final - 4/12/19 15. DRS Project Status Log 1/9/2019 16. Ontario County Soils and Water Conservation District -1/9/2019 Prime Soils Worksheet 17. Pasture Fence Alignment with Preliminary Landscape Plan | 1/9/2019 18. Landowner Letter of approval 1/9/2019 19. Visual Rendering Methodology Letter -Saratoga 1/9/2019 **Associates** 20. Wetland Delineation – prepared by Diehlux, LLC 1/10/2019 21. December 5, 2018 Public Hearing Comment Responses 1/15/2019 22. Guidance on NYSDAM NOI process - NYSERDA emails 1/15/2019 23. Alternative Use Definition letter – Boylan Code LP 1/9/2019 24. Process Opinion Letter on the NYSDAM NOI 1/16/2019 25. Response Letter by Boylan Code LP - SEQR Process 4/24/2019 26. Response to Farmington Resident Letter, #81 of Abstract 4/24/2019 27. NREL and US Navy report on EMI and Solar Farms 4/24/2019 28. DRS Project Status Log 5/1/2019 29. Yellow Mills - Community Open House - Flyer 5/1/2019 30. Yellow Mills – Community Open House – held at Town Hall 5/7/2019 31. Yellow Mills – Community Open House – attendee sign in 5/9/2019 sheet



32. Yellow Mills - Community Open House - presentation	5/9/2019
materials, Fact Sheet, Visual Renderings	
33.DRS Response to May 15, 2019 Full EAF Part 2 -	5/30/019
Supplemental Narrative, with appendices	
34.Revised Landscape Plan – updated as per Board	5/28/2019
comments	
35. Photo-simulations of Revised Landscape Plan	7/2/2019
36. DRS Response to Abstract #102	7/2/2019
37.DRS Response to Full EAF Part 2 – Supplemental	7/11/2019
Narrative, Question 1.a. – Geotechnical Study	
38. Geotechnical Study, prepared by Foundation Design	7/11/2019
39. Steel post selection and opinion of impacts, prepared by	7/11/2019
RBI Solar	
40. Steel post selection and opinion of impacts, prepared by	7/11/2019
Foundation Design	
41. Boylan Code Letter – SEQR Determination of Significance	7/10/2019
42. Boylan Code Letter – Response to Abstract #115, 116	7/31/2019

To show the extent of the exhaustive review by all parties involved, below is a table showing the number of review meetings beginning in August 2018, when the initial Site Plan and Special Permit applications were first reviewed by the Town of Farmington. This list includes all review meetings by the Town, County, and State agencies involved in the review.

To date, the following review meetings have been held:

Agency, Meeting Type and Review Milestone	<u>Date</u>
Site Plan, Special Permit, and Area Variance applications submitted	7/17/2018
2. Town Project Review Committee	8/3/2018
Town Conservation Board – review meeting	8/27/2018
4. Town Project Review Committee discussion – Planning Board agenda	9/7/2018
set to proceed with application review.	
5. Ontario County Planning Board – 239 GML review	9/12/2018
6. Planning Board review meeting – Board set public hearing for November	9/19/2018
7, 2018.	
7. Zoning Board – Public Hearing #1 – Board reviewed the Area Variance	9/24/2018
request, opened public hearing	



Agency, Meeting Type and Review Milestone Date 8. Planning Board review meeting - Board declared intent to be Lead 10/3/2018 Agency under SEQR 9. Planning Board – Public Hearing #1 – public hearing opened 11/7/2018 10. Planning Board – Public Hearing #2 – public hearing continued 11/26/2018 11. Planning Board – Public Hearing #3 – public hearing continued 12/5/2018 12. Zoning Board – Public Hearing #2 – public hearing continued 12/17/2018 13. NYSDAM – Review of Notice of Intent 1/15/2019 14. Planning Board – Public Hearing #4 – public hearing continued 1/16/2019 15. NYSDAM - Review of Notice of Intent 1/25/2019 16. Zoning Board - Public Hearing #3 - public hearing continued 1/28/2019 17. NYSDAM – Review of Notice of Intent 2/21/2019 18. Ontario County Agriculture Enhancement Board – NYSDAM NOI review 4/2/2019 19. NYSDAM - Final Review of Notice of Intent 4/8/2019 20. NYSDAM - Final Determination made 4/12/2019 21. Planning Board – Public Hearing #5 – public hearing continued 4/17/219 22. Zoning Board – Public Hearing #4 – public hearing continued 4/22/2019 23. Planning Board – Public Hearing #6 – public hearing continued 5/15/2019 6/5/2019 24. Planning Board – Public Hearing #7 – public hearing continued 25. Planning Board – Public Hearing #8 – public hearing continued 7/17/2019 8/7/2019 26. Planning Board – Public Hearing #9 – public hearing scheduled

There was no additional information was requested at the last Planning Board meeting on July 17, 2019, and the application was deemed complete for a SEQR determination to be made on May 15, 2019. As such, DRS now considers that the Board has all information required to make a final determination under SEQR. Furthermore, given the exhaustive depth of review of these projects, which has far exceeded any other community solar installation in New York State, of which there are hundreds of such examples, and that this review includes all information that could reasonably be reviewed through an Environmental Impact Statement, DRS now firmly believes that the Planning Board has the overwhelming ability to issue a Negative Declaration at their next board meeting on August 7, 2019. We request that referral to the Zoning Board be made so the review of the Site Plan, Special Use Permit, and Area Variances may continue.



We look forward to the August 7th public hearing, and the continued review of the Site Plan, Subdivision, and Special Permit applications.

Sincerely,

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