COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF WOODPECKER)	
SOLAR LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)	
CONSTRUCTION FOR AN APPROXIMATELY 120)	
MEGAWATT MERCHANT ELECTRIC SOLAR)	Case No. 2020-00261
GENERATING AND STORAGE FACILITY IN)	
BARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY PURSUANT TO)	
KRS 278.700 AND 807 KAR 5:110)	

<u>WOODPECKER SOLAR LLC'S</u> NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD'S AUGUST 13, 2020 ORDER

On August 13, 2020, the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting ("Board") issued an order granting Woodpecker Solar LLC's ("Woodpecker Solar" or "Applicant") Motion for Approval of Public Meeting Format. Ordering Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Board's August 13, 2020 Order provided:

- 2. Within three days of the publication of the public notice, Woodpecker Solar shall submit a copy of the newspaper advertisement that will notify the public of the proposed public meeting format.
- Within three days of the mailing of the notice to adjacent property owners,
 Woodpecker Solar shall submit a copy of the notice of the public meeting format that is required to be provided to owners of property adjacent to the solar project.¹

Woodpecker Solar mailed notices of the public meeting format to neighbors as required by KRS 278.706(2)(f)(2) via certified mail on August 25, 2020. A copy of the materials mailed to

¹ See, Order, Electronic Application of Woodpecker Solar LLC for a Certificate of Construction for an approximately 120 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating and Storage Facility in Barren County, Kentucky Pursuant to KRS 278.700 and 807 KAR 5:110 at 4, Case No. 2020-00261 (Ky. P.S.C. August 13, 2020).

neighbors, including the form of letter to neighbors, is included as Exhibit A. On August 27, 2020, Woodpecker Solar published notice of the public meeting format in the Barren County Progress, a newspaper of general circulation in Barren County, Kentucky, as required by KRS 278.706(2)(f)(2). A copy of the newspaper advertisement is included as Exhibit B.

Respectfully submitted,

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COUNSEL FOR WOODPECKER SOLAR LLC

EXHIBIT A

August 25, 2020



CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

«AddressBlock»

Subj: Woodpecker Solar Project Public Information Meetings

Dear Neighbor,

We are writing today to invite you, as a nearby landowner of the Woodpecker Solar Project, to participate in the project's public engagement activities. In light of concerns relating to the current COVID-19 pandemic, we are providing multiple opportunities for you to learn about the project, ask questions, and provide comments.

First, we have created a project-specific website at <u>www.geenexsolar.com/woodpecker</u>. On this website, you will find a map of the project, a PowerPoint presentation describing the project, a summary of frequently asked questions and responses, contact information, and instructions for submitting questions and comments on the project. The website will also provide instructions on how to request additional information on the project.

Second, we are hosting in-person "office hours" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at the Hiseville Fire Department located at 112 W Hiseville Main St., Cave City, KY 42127. During these office hours, information about the project will be available and you may ask questions of and provide comments to project staff. Social distancing will be maintained during these interactions and masks will be required.

Finally, we are hosting a live, virtual public information meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The virtual public information meeting will include a presentation about the project as well as a question and answer session. You can join the virtual public information meeting via web link or via telephone. The presentation will be accessible online at <u>www.GeenexVirtualMeetings.com</u>. Participants can also call in (toll free) at 877-229-8493 and use the ID code 119758. We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you, virtually or at our office hours, to discuss the project and answer any questions you may have. In the meantime, below is a list of project team members who are available to answer your questions.

Kara W. Price, SVP of Permitting/Development 859-309-4415 woodpecker@geenexsolar.com Doug Schulte, Director of Operations - KY 859-309-7662 woodpecker@geenexsolar.com

Best wishes and stay well,

Kara W. Price Geenex Solar Woodpecker Solar

Enclosed: Woodpecker Solar Fact Sheet



PROJECTOVERVIEW

Woodpecker Solar is a proposed solar photovoltaic electric generation facility under development in Barren County, KY. The project plans to deliver up to 120 MW of clean renewable energy to the utility grid by the end of 2022.

Solar photovoltaic systems produce no emissions or contaminants, generate no noise outside of the fence line, and the panels are designed to absorb light so there is no glare. The land can be returned to agricultural use after its life as a solar farm making solar a great placeholder for the future. The developer will provide setbacks and vegetative screening to mitigate viewshed impacts to neighbors of the project.

> Please visit <u>www.geenexsolar.com/woodpecker</u> for more details.

- SOLAR IS CLEAN, QUIET, SAFE WITH NO HEALTH OR PERMANENT LAND USE IMPACTS.
- SOLAR INCREASES THE COUNTY'S TAX BASE AND PROVIDES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES.
- THE DEVELOPERS OF WOODPECKER SOLAR DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OF THE CENTER FOR ENERGY EDUCATION.
- THE PROJECT WILL RECRUIT & HIRE FROM WITHIN THE LOCAL & REGIONAL COMMUNITY. THE SOLAR INDUSTRY NOW EMPLOYS MORE WORKERS THAN THE OIL, COAL AND GAS INDUSTRIES COMBINED.







WOODPECKER SOLAR



UP TO 120 MW GROUND-MOUNTED SINGLE-AXIS TRACKING PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM



ENOUGH POWER FOR 30,000 AVERAGE U.S. HOMES ANNUALLY





 USE OF SETBACKS & VEGETATIVE
 SCREENING WILL MITIGATE IMPACTS TO NEIGHBORS AND COMMUNITY

Why Solar? Why Now? Why Barren County, KY?

- High demand for low-carbon renewable energy by customers, corporations and institutions.
- Cost of solar continues to decrease making it highly competitive with traditional fossil fuel sources.
- Location, location, location great solar resource combined with good topography near areas with high energy demands.
- Available land with existing and accessible utility infrastructure.
- Landowners wanting to diversify their income and protect their real estate assets.

WOODPECKER SOLAR BENEFITS

Woodpecker Solar will provide a number of benefits to the county and surrounding community. The Project will bring a significant number of jobs to the area during construction. In addition, long-term jobs are created by the on-going maintenance of the site and the facility as well as the future growth of the solar industry in Kentucky.

The spending on development, construction and operation of such a project also provides a number of financial opportunities for local businesses (fencing, landscaping, machine rentals, etc.). The increased economic activity in the area also increases revenue for local hotels, restaurants and other vendors.

will continue to Woodpecker Solar has and engage in local community outreach to address questions from neighboring landowners. The looks forward Project also to supporting local charities and providing financial support to the County for future projects focusing on education, workforce development and local first responders.

And finally, the Woodpecker Solar Facility will be producing clean renewable energy that will have a number of positive impacts for the community and our environment for years to come.





Geenex Solar is a developer of utility-scale solarprojects. Formore information, see http://www.geenexsolar.com/

Please feel free to reach out to us at woodpecker@geenexsolar.com or call Kara Price at 859-309-4415 or Doug Schulte at 859-309-7662.

EXHIBIT B

CLASSIFIEDS CONTINUED



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Weekly SUDOKU Answers





"I want this room cleaned up by sundown, kid!"















NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Woodpecker Solar LLC, is proposing to construct and operate up to a 120 megawatt (MW) solar energy project with associated equipment. The proposed project will be located in unincorporated Barren County, Kentucky north of the City of Glasgow and east of Highway 740. The Public is encouraged to learn more about the project through a project website, in-person "office hours" and a virtual public information meeting.

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Anyone with questions about these opportunities or the project can e-mail woodpecker@geenexsolar.com or call Kara Price at 859-309-4415 or Doug Schulte at 859-309-7662.

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LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Glasgow Water Company (GWC) will receive sealed bids until, Tuesday, September 8th, 2020 at 10 A.M. (CDT) for Water Metering Equipment; at their office 301 West Main St., Glasgow, Kentucky 42141. Specifications may be obtained during normal business hours at said office and all bids must be submitted in sealed bid format and on approved bid form. The GWC reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities or technicalities in any bid, and to accept the bid it deems to be in its best interest.

Scott Young, General Manager **Glasgow Water Company**

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Any Questions Please Call 270-786-2676



NOTICE OF COUNTY ORDINANCE

On August 18, 2020, the Barren Fiscal Court adopted, on second reading, under the emergency statute, an ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the County of Barren, Kentucky. The full text of the ordinance is available for public inspection in the County Judge/Executive Office, 117 North Public Square, Suite 3A, Glasgow, Kentucky.

> Micheal Hale Barren County Judge/Executive

Ordinance Number 645