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### VERIFICATION OF CHRIS KILLENBERG

STATE OF Thode Island

COUNTY OF NEW PORT

Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director for Community Energy Solar, LLC on behalf of Henderson County Solar LLC, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of certain responses to Requests for Information in the above-referenced case and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

Chris Killenberg

MICHAEL MEDEIROS Notary Public-State of Rhode Island My Commission Expires November 27, 2025 Notary Commission Number:

Commission expiration: \_\_/

# Henderson County Solar, LLC Case No. 2020-00391 Siting Board Staff's Post-Hearing Request for Information

1. Henderson Solar shall provide proposed mitigation measures to address noise from pile driving and other construction near the Kenergy Corporation building at 6402 Old Henderson-Corydon Rd., Henderson, Kentucky 42419, beyond the previously provided "Neighbor Zones" mitigation measures that restrict pile driving to Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### **Response:**

The Applicant proposes a special 'Kenergy Zone' within which pile driving will be restricted to Saturdays only, from 8am to 6pm CT. The Kenergy Zone will be defined as all project areas within 750 feet of the nearest corner of the Kenergy Corporation building at 6402 Old Henderson-Corydon Rd., Henderson, Kentucky 42419. This Kenergy Zone will be surveyed and clearly staked out prior to construction.

The purpose of limiting pile driving within the Kenergy Zone to Saturdays is to defer the maximum associated sound levels to a non-workday when the offices are expected to be largely vacant.

The purpose of establishing 750 feet as the limit of the Kenergy Zone is to allow any sound generated by pile driving <u>outside</u> the Kenergy Zone during Monday-Friday to attenuate to an acceptable level before reaching the Kenergy building. At a distance of 750 feet, the sound level associated with pile driving is estimated to be below 60dBA, which is the low end of a sound range of 60dBA – 70 dBA, described as "normal conversation at a distance of 3 feet." In other words, by creating a Kenergy Zone, any sound associated with pile driving <u>during</u> the week will be perceived at the nearest corner of the Kenergy building as less than "normal conversation at 3 feet."

The Applicant also proposes to consult with Kenergy on a weekly basis during pile driving to confirm that the proposed Kenergy Zone is an adequate plan to mitigate any adverse effects on the Kenergy offices from the sound associated with nearby pile driving.

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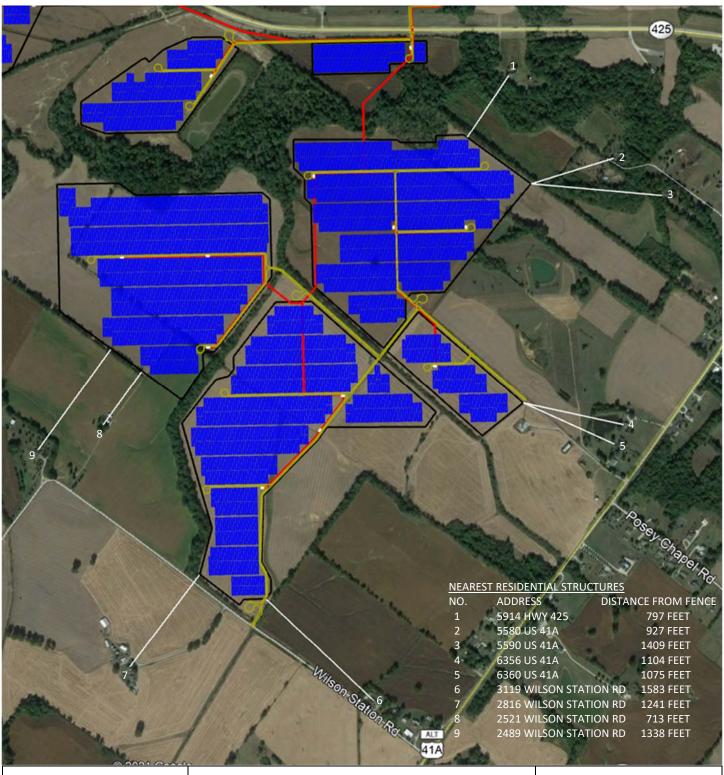
2. Henderson Solar shall provide an updated version of the map on page 4 of the attachment of Exhibit 2 of the Henderson Solar Application, Volume I. The map shall be updated to identify both the address and distance from the fence around the Henderson Solar project for Residential Structure No. 9.

### **Response:**

Upon further review, the Applicant identified two errors in the prior map: 1) the distance listed for Residential Structure No. 8 was incorrect, and 2) the address and distance from the fence around the Henderson Solar project for Residential Structure No. 9 was mistakenly omitted. Both errors have been corrected.

Please see 'Henderson Project Site Map\_Nearest Residential Structures (Southern) UPDATED 11-1-21' attached as page 2 of this response.

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### **COMMUNITY ENERGY SOLAR, LLC**

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### HENDERSON COUNTY SOLAR - 50MW SOLAR PROJECT SOUTHERN SECTION HENDERSON COUNTY, KY



WILSON STATION RD, HENDERSON, KY	
LAT: 37.78N LONG: -87.63W	
DATE: 11.1.2021	

UPFDATED MAP SHOWING THE DISTANCE OF THE PROPOSED SOUTHERN SECTION OF THE PROJECT SITE FROM THE NEAREST RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

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3. Henderson Solar shall confirm which definition of "Waters of the United States" (WOTUS) was used in completing the Wetlands Delineation Report. If the WOTUS definition that is no longer currently in effect was used in completing the Wetlands Delineation Report, Henderson Solar shall provide details regarding the specific impact, if any, to the Siting Board.

### **Response:**

The Navigable Waters Protection Rule was used to identify WOTUS in the wetlands delineation report that was submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers ("Corps") for an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD).

This definition of WOTUS was recently vacated, and the definitions under Rapanos have been reinstated. However, the AJD remains valid. The jurisdictional aquatic features identified in the AJD, based on the rules at that time, are the jurisdictional features heading forward.

Where the "former" and "current" rules interact is around mitigation. Any future impacts to the features identified under the "former" rules would need to be mitigated appropriately under the "current" rules.

The Applicant asserts that, since the rule change does not affect the already-issued AJD, and since any future impacts and mitigation pertaining to WOTUS on the proposed project site would be governed by the Corps' rules at that time, there is no need for concern nor for the application of additional conditions by the Siting Board.

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4. Henderson Solar shall provide the leases with the participating landowners that underlie the Henderson Solar application. If there are any successors or assignments of the leases, Henderson Solar shall provide those documents as well.

### **Response:**

The requested lease agreements are provided under seal pursuant to a petition for confidential treatment filed simultaneously herewith. Because confidential treatment for the entire lease documents are being requested, redacted versions are not being filed with these responses.

# ATTACHMENT FILED UNDER SEAL PURSUANT TO A MOTION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT