

EXHIBIT D

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

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF CLOVER CREEK)	
SOLAR PROJECT D/B/A NEW FRONTIERS SOLAR)	
PARK FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONSTRUCTION)	
FOR AN APPROXIMATELY 100 MEGAWATT)	
MERCHANT ELECTRIC SOLAR GENERATING)	Case No. 2024-00253
FACILITY AND NONREGULATED ELECTRIC)	
TRANSMISSION LINE IN BRECKINRIDGE)	
COUNTY, KENTUCKY PURSUANT TO)	
KRS 278.700 AND 807 KAR 5:110)	

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO KRS 278.706(2)(d)

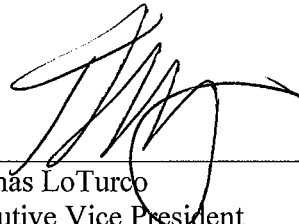
Comes now Thomas LoTurco, solely in my capacity as the Executive Vice President for the parent company of Clover Creek Solar Project LLC d/b/a New Frontiers Solar Park (“Applicant” or “New Frontiers”), and hereby states as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18 and a resident of the state of Indiana.
2. I am the Executive Vice President of EDP Renewables North America, LLC, the parent company of New Frontiers.
3. I have conducted an inquiry into the facts contained in the Statement and have found them to be true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
4. I hereby certify that the proposed facility as planned and to be constructed in unincorporated Breckinridge County, Kentucky will be in compliance with any local noise control ordinances and planning and zoning ordinances in effect at the time of filing the Application.
5. There is no local noise control ordinance or regulation applicable to unincorporated Breckinridge County.

6. There is no planning and zoning commission with jurisdiction over unincorporated Breckinridge County, and therefore there are no planning and zoning ordinances nor any setbacks established by a planning and zoning commission.

7. However, the Breckinridge County Fiscal Court enacted Ordinance No. 2022-032 (“Ordinance”), which contains the following setbacks related to solar energy systems: 50 feet from perimeter property of the project area and at least 300 feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school; interconnection facilities can be located within the setback lines; and no interior property line setbacks are required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties.

Signed this 31st day of October 2024.



Thomas LoTurco
Executive Vice President
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EXHIBIT E

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Subject: Fw: New Frontiers Application Documents

See below email from Judge Lucas. Thanks!



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Jesse
Kathina and I both have received and accessed the Site Assessment Report, Application Narrative w/Exhibits, and the Table of Contents through Google Drive.

Thanks
Maurice Lucas

From: JESSE EICK <JESSE.EICK@EDP.COM>
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Subject: New Frontiers Application Documents

Afternoon, Judge Lucas and Kathina-

Please confirm you are able to access the Site Assessment Report, Application Narrative with Exhibits, and the Table of comments through the Google Drive.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

- Jesse Eick

EXHIBIT F

GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (GIA)

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (“GIA”) is made and entered into this 19th day of February 2021, by and between **Clover Creek Solar Project LLC**, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (“Interconnection Customer” with a Generating Facility), and **Big Rivers Electric Corporation**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Kentucky (“Transmission Owner”), and the **Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.**, a non-profit, non-stock corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (“Transmission Provider”). Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider each may be referred to as a “Party,” or collectively as the “Parties.” This GIA replaces and supersedes the GIA executed on February 22, 2019, by and between the Parties filed under FERC Docket No. ER19-1221-000.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Transmission Provider has functional control of the operations of the Transmission System, as defined herein, and is responsible for providing Transmission Service and Interconnection Service on the transmission facilities under its control; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer intends to own, lease and/or control and operate the Generating Facility identified as a Generating Facility in Appendix A to this GIA; and

WHEREAS, Transmission Owner owns or operates the Transmission System, whose operations are subject to the functional control of Transmission Provider, to which Interconnection Customer desires to connect the Generating Facility, and may therefore be required to construct certain Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, as set forth in this GIA; and

WHEREAS, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider have agreed to enter into this GIA, and where applicable subject to Appendix H for a provisional GIA, for the purpose of interconnecting the Generating Facility with the Transmission System; and

WHEREAS, This GIA is being amended to reflect the revised In Service Date elected by Interconnection Customer;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

When used in this GIA, terms with initial capitalization that are not defined in Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in the Article in which they are used. Those capitalized terms used in this GIA that are not otherwise defined in this GIA have the meaning set forth in the Tariff.

Adverse System Impact shall mean the negative effects due to technical or operational limits on conductors or equipment being exceeded that may compromise the safety and reliability of the electric system.

Affected System shall mean an electric transmission or distribution system or the electric system associated with an existing generating facility or of a higher queued Generating Facility, which is an electric system other than the Transmission Owner's Transmission System that is affected by the Interconnection Request. An Affected System may or may not be subject to FERC jurisdiction.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a corporation, partnership or other entity, each such other corporation, partnership or other entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such corporation, partnership or other entity.

Ancillary Services shall mean those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the Transmission System in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities and/or the respective services they provide.

Applicable Reliability Council shall mean the Regional Entity of NERC applicable to the Local Balancing Authority of the Transmission System to which the Generating Facility is directly interconnected.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean Reliability Standards approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) under section 215 of the Federal Power Act, as applicable.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability databases used for the Interconnection Studies by Transmission Provider or Interconnection Customer.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of this GIA.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of this GIA.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a Federal Holiday.

Commercial Operation shall mean the status of a Generating Facility that has commenced generating electricity for sale, excluding electricity generated during Trial Operation.

Commercial Operation Date (COD) of a unit shall mean the date on which the Generating Facility commences Commercial Operation as agreed to by the Parties pursuant to Appendix E to this GIA.

Common Use Upgrade (CUU) shall mean an Interconnection Facility, Network Upgrade, System Protection Facility, or any other classified addition, alteration, or improvement on the Transmission System or the transmission system of an Affected System, not classified under Attachment FF as a Baseline Reliability Project, Market Efficiency Project, or Multi-Value Project, that is needed for the interconnection of multiple Interconnection Customers' Generating Facilities and which is the shared responsibility of such Interconnection Customers.

Confidential Information shall mean any proprietary or commercially or competitively sensitive information, trade secret or information regarding a plan, specification, pattern, procedure, design, device, list, concept, policy or compilation relating to the present or planned business of a Party, or any other information as specified in Article 22, which is designated as confidential by the Party supplying the information, whether conveyed orally, electronically, in writing, through inspection, or otherwise, that is received by another Party.

Default shall mean the failure of a Breaching Party to cure its Breach in accordance with Article 17 of this GIA.

Definitive Planning Phase Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests, in the Definitive Planning Phase. The Definitive Planning Phase Queue Position is established based upon the date Interconnection Customer satisfies all of the requirements of Section 7.2 to enter the Definitive Planning Phase.

Demonstrated Capability shall mean the continuous net real power output that the Generating Facility is required to demonstrate in compliance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

Dispute Resolution shall mean the procedure for resolution of a dispute between or among the Parties in which they will first attempt to resolve the dispute on an informal basis.

Distribution System shall mean the Transmission Owner's facilities and equipment, or the Distribution System of another party that is interconnected with the Transmission Owner's Transmission System, if any, connected to the Transmission System, over which facilities Transmission Service or Wholesale Distribution Service under the Tariff is available at the time Interconnection Customer has requested interconnection of a Generating Facility for the purpose of either transmitting electric energy in interstate commerce or selling electric energy at wholesale in interstate commerce and which are used to transmit electricity to ultimate usage points such as homes and industries directly from nearby generators or from interchanges with higher voltage transmission networks which transport bulk power over longer distances. The voltage levels at which distribution systems operate differ among Local Balancing Authorities and other entities owning distribution facilities interconnected to the Transmission System.

Distribution Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Distribution System at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the delivery service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce. Distribution Upgrades do not include Interconnection Facilities.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which this GIA becomes effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by the Commission, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the Commission.

Emergency Condition shall mean a condition or situation: (1) that in the reasonable judgment of the Party making the claim is imminently likely to endanger, or is contributing to the endangerment of, life, property, or public health and safety; or (2) that, in the case of either Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to the Transmission System, Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or the electric systems of others to which the Transmission System is directly connected; or (3) that, in the case of Interconnection Customer, is imminently likely (as determined in a non-discriminatory manner) to cause a material adverse effect on the security of, or damage to, the Generating Facility or Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and blackstart shall be considered Emergency Conditions; provided that Interconnection Customer is not obligated by this GIA to possess blackstart capability. Any condition or situation that results from lack of sufficient generating capacity to meet load requirements or that results solely from economic conditions shall not constitute an Emergency Condition, unless one of the enumerated conditions or situations identified in this definition also exists.

Energy Displacement Agreement shall mean an agreement between an Interconnection Customer with an existing generating facility on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System and an Interconnection Customer with a proposed Generating Facility seeking to interconnect with Net Zero Interconnection Service. The Energy Displacement Agreement specifies the term of operation, the Generating Facility Interconnection Service limit, and the mode of operation for energy production (common or singular operation).

Energy Resource Interconnection Service (ER Interconnection Service) shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows Interconnection Customer to connect its Generating Facility to the Transmission System or Distribution System, as applicable, to be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's electric output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an as available basis. Energy Resource Interconnection Service does not convey transmission service.

Engineering & Procurement (E&P) Agreement shall mean an agreement that authorizes Transmission Owner to begin engineering and procurement of long lead-time items necessary for the establishment of the interconnection in order to advance the implementation of the Interconnection Request.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws or Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Federal Holiday shall mean a Federal Reserve Bank holiday for a Party that has its principal place of business in the United States and a Canadian Federal or Provincial banking holiday for a Party that has its principal place of business located in Canada.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a *et seq.*

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, also known as Commission, or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party's control. A Force Majeure event does not include an act of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

Generating Facility shall mean Interconnection Customer's device(s) for the production and/or storage for later injection of electricity identified in the Interconnection Request, but shall not include the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Generating Facility Capacity shall mean the net capacity of the Generating Facility and the aggregate net capacity of the Generating Facility where it includes multiple energy production devices.

Generator Interconnection Agreement (GIA) shall mean the form of interconnection agreement, set forth herein.

Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP) shall mean the interconnection procedures set forth in Attachment X of the Tariff.

Generator Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the electric system of an existing generating facility or of a higher queued Generating Facility at or beyond the Point of Interconnection to facilitate interconnection of the Generating Facility and render the Transmission Service necessary to affect Interconnection Customer's wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, or any Affiliate thereof.

Group Study(ies) shall mean the process whereby more than one Interconnection Request is studied together, instead of serially, for the purpose of conducting one or more of the required Studies.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or included in the definition of "hazardous substances," "hazardous wastes," "hazardous materials," "hazardous constituents," "restricted hazardous materials," "extremely hazardous substances," "toxic substances," "radioactive substances," "contaminants," "pollutants," "toxic pollutants" or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

HVDC Facilities shall mean the high voltage direct current transmission facilities, including associated alternating current facilities, if any, that are subject to Section 27A of the Tariff and that are specifically identified in (i) any Agency Agreement pertaining to such facilities between Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner that owns or operates such facilities, or (ii) in any other arrangement that permits or will permit Transmission Provider to provide HVDC Service over such facilities as set forth in Section 27A of the Tariff.

HVDC Service shall mean Firm and Non-Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service provided by Transmission Provider on HVDC Facilities pursuant to Section 27A of the Tariff.

Initial Synchronization Date shall mean the date upon which the Generating Facility is initially synchronized and upon which Trial Operation begins.

In-Service Date (ISD) shall mean the date upon which Interconnection Customer reasonably expects it will be ready to begin use of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities to obtain backfeed power.

Interconnection Customer shall mean any entity, including Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or any of the Affiliates or subsidiaries of either, that proposes to interconnect its Generating Facility with the Transmission System.

Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities (ICIF) shall mean all facilities and equipment, as identified in Appendix A of this GIA, that are located between the Generating Facility and the Point of Change of Ownership, including any modification, addition, or upgrades to such facilities and equipment necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission System or Distribution System, as applicable. Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities.

Interconnection Facilities shall mean the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Generating Facility and the Point of Interconnection, including any modification, additions or upgrades that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Generating Facility to the Transmission System. Interconnection Facilities shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Interconnection Facilities Study shall mean a study conducted by Transmission Provider, or its agent, for Interconnection Customer to determine a list of facilities (including Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, System Protection Facilities, and if such upgrades have been determined, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades, Common Use Upgrades, and upgrades on Affected Systems, as identified in the Interconnection System Impact Study), the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Generating Facility with the Transmission System.

Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 4 of the Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Interconnection Facilities Study.

Interconnection Request shall mean an Interconnection Customer's request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Generator Interconnection Procedures, to interconnect a new Generating Facility, or to increase the capacity of, or make a Material Modification to the operating characteristics of, an existing Generating Facility that is interconnected with the Transmission System.

Interconnection Service shall mean the service provided by Transmission Provider associated with interconnecting the Generating Facility to the Transmission System and enabling

it to receive electric energy and capacity from the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection, pursuant to the terms of this GIA and, if applicable, the Tariff.

Interconnection Study (or Study) shall mean any of the studies described in the Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Attachment B to Appendix 1 of the Generator Interconnection procedures for conducting all studies required by the Generator Interconnection Procedures.

Interconnection System Impact Study shall mean an engineering study that evaluates the impact of the proposed interconnection on the safety and reliability of Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System. The study shall identify and detail the system impacts that would result if the Generating Facility were interconnected without project modifications or system modifications, or to study potential impacts, including but not limited to those identified in the Scoping Meeting as described in the Generator Interconnection Procedures.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Local Balancing Authority shall mean an operational entity or a Joint Registration Organization which is (i) responsible for compliance with the subset of NERC Balancing Authority Reliability Standards defined in the Balancing Authority Agreement for their local area within the MISO Balancing Authority Area, (ii) a Party to Balancing Authority Agreement, excluding MISO, and (iii) provided in the Balancing Authority Agreement.

Loss shall mean any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from the other Party's performance, or non-performance of its obligations under this GIA on behalf of the indemnifying Party, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing, by the indemnified party.

Material Modification shall mean those modifications that have a material impact on the cost or timing of any Interconnection Request with a later queue priority date.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Generating Facility pursuant to this GIA at the metering points, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Monitoring and Consent Agreement shall mean an agreement that defines the terms and conditions applicable to a Generating Facility acquiring Net Zero Interconnection Service. The Monitoring and Consent Agreement will list the roles and responsibilities of an Interconnection Customer seeking to interconnect with Net Zero Interconnection Service and Transmission Owner to maintain the total output of the Generating Facility inside the parameters delineated in the GIA.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or its successor organization.

Net Zero Interconnection Service shall mean a form of ER Interconnection Service that allows Interconnection Customer to alter the characteristics of an existing generating facility, with the consent of the existing generating facility, at the same POI such that the Interconnection Service limit remains the same.

Network Customer shall have that meaning as provided in the Tariff.

Network Resource shall mean any designated generating resource owned, purchased, or leased by a Network Customer under the Tariff. Network Resources do not include any resource, or any portion thereof, that is committed for sale to third parties or otherwise cannot be called upon to meet the Network Customer's Network Load on a non-interruptible basis.

Network Resource Interconnection Service (NR Interconnection Service) shall mean an Interconnection Service that allows Interconnection Customer to integrate its Generating Facility with the Transmission System in the same manner as for any Generating Facility being designated as a Network Resource. Network Resource Interconnection Service does not convey transmission service. Network Resource Interconnection Service shall include any network resource interconnection service established under an agreement with, or the tariff of, a Transmission Owner prior to integration into MISO, that is determined to be deliverable through the integration deliverability study process.

Network Upgrades shall mean the additions, modifications, and upgrades to the Transmission System required at or beyond the point at which the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission System or Distribution System, as applicable, to accommodate the interconnection of the Generating Facility to the Transmission System. Network Upgrade shall not include any HVDC Facility Upgrades.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this GIA or its performance.

Operating Horizon Study shall mean an Interconnection System Impact Study that includes in service transmission and generation for an identified timeframe to determine either the available injection capacity of an Interconnection Request or Interconnection Facilities and/or Transmission System changes required for the requested Interconnection Service.

Optional Interconnection Study shall mean a sensitivity analysis based on assumptions specified by Interconnection Customer in the Optional Interconnection Study Agreement.

Optional Interconnection Study Agreement shall mean the form of agreement contained in Appendix 5 of the Generator Interconnection Procedures for conducting the Optional Interconnection Study.

Party or Parties shall mean Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer, or any combination of the above.

Planning Horizon Study shall mean an Interconnection System Impact Study that includes a future year study to determine either the available injection capacity of an Interconnection Request or Interconnection Facilities and/or Transmission System changes required for the requested Interconnection Service.

Point of Change of Ownership (PCO) shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A to the Generator Interconnection Agreement, where the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities.

Point of Interconnection (POI) shall mean the point, as set forth in Appendix A of the GIA, where the Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission System.

Provisional Interconnection Study shall mean an engineering study, performed at Interconnection Customer's request, as a condition to entering into a provisional GIA, that evaluates the impact of the proposed interconnection on the safety and reliability of the Transmission System and, if applicable, any Affected System. The study shall identify and detail the impacts on the Transmission System and, if applicable, an Affected System, from stability, short circuit, and voltage issues that would result if the Generating Facility were interconnected without project modifications or system modifications.

Queue Position shall mean the order of a valid Interconnection Request, relative to all other pending valid Interconnection Requests. The Queue Position is established based upon the date and time of receipt of the valid Interconnection Request by Transmission Provider.

Reasonable Efforts shall have that meaning as provided in the Tariff.

Scoping Meeting shall mean the meeting between representatives of Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner, Affected System Operator(s) and Transmission Provider conducted for the purpose of discussing alternative interconnection options, to exchange information including any transmission data and earlier study evaluations that would be reasonably expected to impact such interconnection options, to analyze such information, and to determine the potential feasible Points of Interconnection.

Shared Network Upgrade shall mean a Network Upgrade or Common Use Upgrade that is funded by an Interconnection Customer(s) and also benefits other Interconnection Customer(s) that are later identified as beneficiaries.

Site Control shall mean documentation reasonably demonstrating: (1) ownership of, a leasehold interest in, or a right to develop a site for the purpose of constructing the Generating Facility and when applicable (i.e. when Interconnection Customer is providing the site for the TOIFs and Network Upgrades at the POI) the Interconnection Facilities, and; (2) an option to purchase or acquire a leasehold site for such purpose; or (3) an exclusivity or other business relationship between Interconnection Customer and the entity having the right to sell, lease or

grant Interconnection Customer the right to possess or occupy a site for such purpose. Such documentation must support a reasonable determination of 75% of the sufficient land area to support the size and type of Generating Facility proposed. If an Interconnection Customer cannot demonstrate Site Control for Interconnection Facilities as a result of regulatory requirements or obligations, the Interconnection Customer must demonstrate such regulatory requirements or obligations to the Transmission Provider and provide cash in-lieu of Site Control until the time that the regulatory requirements allow the Site Control requirement to be met.

Small Generating Facility shall mean a Generating Facility that has an aggregate net Generating Facility Capacity of no more than five MW and meets the requirements of Section 14 and Appendix 3 of the GIP.

Special Protection System (SPS) shall mean an automatic protection system or remedial action scheme designed to detect abnormal or predetermined system conditions, and take corrective actions other than and/or in addition to the isolation of faulted components, to maintain system reliability. Such action may include changes in demand (MW and MVar), energy (MWh and MVarh), or system configuration to maintain system stability, acceptable voltage, or power flows. An SPS does not include (a) underfrequency or undervoltage load shedding, (b) fault conditions that must be isolated, (c) out-of-step relaying not designed as an integral part of an SPS, or (d) Transmission Control Devices.

Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall mean Network Upgrades that an Interconnection Customer may construct without affecting day-to-day operations of the Transmission System during their construction. Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify them in Appendix A to this GIA.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to protect (1) the Transmission System or other delivery systems or other generating systems from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Generating Facility and (2) the Generating Facility from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the Transmission Provider's Tariff through which open access transmission service and Interconnection Service are offered, as filed with the Commission, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Control Devices shall mean a generally accepted transmission device that is planned and designed to provide dynamic control of electric system quantities, and are usually employed as solutions to specific system performance issues. Examples of such devices include fast valving, high response exciters, high voltage DC links, active or real power flow control and reactive compensation devices using power electronics (*e.g.*, unified power flow controllers), static var compensators, thyristor controlled series capacitors, braking resistors, and in some cases mechanically-switched capacitors and reactors. In general, such systems are not considered to be Special Protection Systems.

Transmission Owner shall mean that Transmission Owner as defined in the Tariff, which includes an entity that owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in the portion of the Transmission System at which Interconnection Customer proposes to interconnect or otherwise integrate the operation of the Generating Facility. Transmission Owner should be read to include any Independent Transmission Company that manages the transmission facilities of Transmission Owner and shall include, as applicable, the owner and/or operator of distribution facilities interconnected to the Transmission System, over which facilities transmission service or Wholesale Distribution Service under the Tariff is available at the time Interconnection Customer requests Interconnection Service and to which Interconnection Customer has requested interconnection of a Generating Facility for the purpose of either transmitting electric energy in interstate commerce or selling electric energy at wholesale in interstate commerce.

Transmission Provider shall mean the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”), the Regional Transmission Organization that controls or operates the transmission facilities of its transmission-owning members used for the transmission of electricity in interstate commerce and provides transmission service under the Tariff.

Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities (TOIF) shall mean all facilities and equipment owned by Transmission Owner from the Point of Change of Ownership to the Point of Interconnection as identified in Appendix A to this GIA, including any modifications, additions or upgrades to such facilities and equipment. Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades, Stand Alone Network Upgrades or Network Upgrades.

Transmission System shall mean the facilities owned by Transmission Owner and controlled or operated by Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner that are used to provide Transmission Service (including HVDC Service) or Wholesale Distribution Service under the Tariff.

Trial Operation shall mean the period during which Interconnection Customer is engaged in on-site test operations and commissioning of the Generating Facility prior to Commercial Operation.

Variable Energy Resource shall mean a device for the production of electricity that is characterized by an energy source that: (1) is renewable; (2) cannot be stored by the facility owner or operator; and (3) has variability that is beyond the control of the facility owner or operator.

Wholesale Distribution Service shall have that meaning as provided in the Tariff. Wherever the term “transmission delivery service” is used, Wholesale Distribution Service shall also be implied.

ARTICLE 2. EFFECTIVE DATE, TERM AND TERMINATION

- 2.1 Effective Date.** This GIA shall become effective upon execution by the Parties subject to acceptance by FERC (if applicable), or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. Transmission Provider shall promptly file this GIA with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.1, if required.
- 2.2 Term of Agreement.** Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this GIA shall remain in effect for a period of 30 years from the Effective Date and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter on the anniversary of the Effective Date.
- 2.3 Termination Procedures.** This GIA may be terminated as follows:
- 2.3.1 Written Notice.** This GIA may be terminated by Interconnection Customer after giving Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. This GIA shall be terminated by Transmission Provider if the Generating Facility or a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.4 of Attachment X, including any extension provided thereunder, or has ceased Commercial Operation for three (3) consecutive years, beginning with the last date of Commercial Operation for the Generating Facility, after giving Interconnection Customer ninety (90) Calendar Days advance written notice. Where only a portion of the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation by the Commercial Operation Date established in accordance with Section 4.4.4 of Attachment X, including any extension provided thereunder, Transmission Provider shall only terminate that portion of the GIA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the limited circumstance that the Interconnection Request is served by a contingent Network Upgrade with an in-service date that is farther out than the Commercial Operation Date permitted under Section 4.4.4 of Attachment X, Transmission Provider shall only terminate this GIA for failure to achieve Commercial Operation by that later in-service date of the contingent Network Upgrade. The Generating Facility will not be deemed to have ceased Commercial Operation for purposes of this Article 2.3.1 if Interconnection Customer can document that it has taken other significant steps to maintain or restore operational readiness of the Generating Facility for the purpose of returning the Generating Facility to Commercial Operation as soon as possible.
- 2.3.1.1 Net Zero Interconnection Service.** Where this GIA provides for Net Zero Interconnection Service and the Energy Displacement Agreement or the Monitoring and Consent Agreement required for Net Zero Interconnection Service are no longer in effect, Interconnection Customer shall immediately cease Commercial Operation of the Generating Facility and this GIA shall be deemed terminated.
- 2.3.2 Default.** Any Party may terminate this GIA in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this GIA, if required, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs. If a Party elects to terminate this GIA pursuant to Article 2.3 above, each Party shall pay all costs incurred for which that Party is responsible (including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities, applicable upgrades, and related equipment) or charges assessed by the other Parties, as of the date of the other Parties' receipt of such notice of termination, under this GIA. In the event of termination by a Party, the Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this GIA, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades, and if so determined and made a part of this GIA, upgrades on Affected Systems, that have not yet been constructed or installed, Transmission Owner shall to the extent possible and to the extent of Interconnection Customer's written notice under Article 2.3.1, cancel any pending orders of, or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities; provided that in the event Interconnection Customer elects not to authorize such cancellation, Interconnection Customer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials, equipment, and contracts, and Transmission Owner shall deliver such material and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Interconnection Customer as soon as practicable, at Interconnection Customer's expense. To the extent that Interconnection Customer has already paid Transmission Owner for any or all such costs of materials or equipment not taken by Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner shall promptly refund such amounts to Interconnection Customer, less any costs, including penalties incurred by Transmission Owner to cancel any pending orders of or return such materials, equipment, or contracts.

If an Interconnection Customer terminates this GIA, it shall be responsible for all costs incurred in association with that Interconnection Customer's interconnection, including any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts for Interconnection Facilities and equipment, and other expenses including any upgrades or related equipment for which Transmission Owner has incurred expenses and has not been reimbursed by Interconnection Customer.

2.4.2 Transmission Owner may, at its option, retain any portion of such materials, equipment, or facilities that Interconnection Customer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Transmission Owner shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities. If

Transmission Owner does not so elect, then Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for such costs.

- 2.4.3** With respect to any portion of the Interconnection Facilities, and any other facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this GIA, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation, reconfiguration or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities, and such other expenses actually incurred by Transmission Owner necessary to return the Transmission, Distribution or Generator System, as applicable, to safe and reliable operation.
- 2.5** **Disconnection.** Upon termination of this GIA, the Parties will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Generating Facility from the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the terminating Party, unless such termination resulted from the non-terminating Party's Default of this GIA or such non-terminating Party otherwise is responsible for these costs under this GIA.
- 2.6** **Survival.** This GIA shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder, including billings and payments pursuant to this GIA; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this GIA was in effect; and to permit each Party to have access to the lands of the other Party pursuant to this GIA or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment.

ARTICLE 3. REGULATORY FILINGS

- 3.1** **Filing.** Transmission Provider shall file this GIA (and any amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. A Party may request that any information so provided be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Article 22. If that Party has executed this GIA, or any amendment thereto, the Party shall reasonably cooperate with Transmission Provider with respect to such filing and to provide any information reasonably requested by Transmission Provider needed to comply with applicable regulatory requirements.

ARTICLE 4. SCOPE OF SERVICE

- 4.1** **Interconnection Product Options.** Interconnection Customer has selected the following (checked) type of Interconnection Service:

Check: _____ NZ or _____ ER and/or X NR (See Appendix A for details)

- 4.1.1** **Energy Resource Interconnection Service (ER Interconnection Service).**

4.1.1.1 The Product. ER Interconnection Service allows Interconnection Customer to connect the Generating Facility to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, and be eligible to deliver the Generating Facility's output using the existing firm or non-firm capacity of the Transmission System on an "as available" basis. To the extent Interconnection Customer wants to receive ER Interconnection Service, Transmission Owner shall construct facilities consistent with the studies identified in Appendix A.

An Interconnection Customer seeking ER Interconnection Service for new or added capacity at a Generating Facility may be granted conditional ER Interconnection Service status to the extent there is such capacity available on the Transmission System to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility. At the request of Interconnection Customer, conditional ER Interconnection Service status may be granted subject to the system being able to accommodate the interconnection without upgrades, until such time as a higher queued project(s) with a later service date affecting the same common elements is placed into service. The conditional ER Interconnection Service shall be terminated in the event Interconnection Customer fails to fund the necessary studies and the Network Upgrades necessary to grant the Interconnection Customer's ER Interconnection Service upon the completion of higher queued projects involving the same common elements.

4.1.1.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications. Under ER Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer will be eligible to inject power from the Generating Facility into and deliver power across the Transmission System on an "as available" basis up to the amount of MW identified in the applicable stability and steady state studies to the extent the upgrades initially required to qualify for ER Interconnection Service have been constructed. After that date FERC makes effective MISO's Energy Market Tariff filed in Docket No. ER04-691-000, Interconnection Customer may place a bid to sell into the market up to the maximum identified Generating Facility output, subject to any conditions specified in the Interconnection Service approval, and the Generating Facility will be dispatched to the extent the Interconnection Customer's bid clears. In all other instances, no transmission or other delivery service from the Generating Facility is assured, but Interconnection Customer may obtain Point-To-Point Transmission Service, Network Integration Transmission Service or be used for secondary network transmission service, pursuant to the Tariff, up to the maximum output identified in the stability and steady state studies. In those instances, in order for Interconnection Customer to obtain the right to deliver or inject energy beyond the Point of Interconnection or to improve its ability to do so, transmission delivery service must be

obtained pursuant to the provisions of the Tariff. The Interconnection Customer's ability to inject its Generating Facility output beyond the Point of Interconnection, therefore, will depend on the existing capacity of the Transmission or Distribution System as applicable, at such time as a Transmission Service request is made that would accommodate such delivery. The provision of Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service may require the construction of additional Network or Distribution Upgrades.

4.1.2 Network Resource Interconnection Service (NR Interconnection Service).

4.1.2.1 The Product. Transmission Provider must conduct the necessary studies and Transmission Owner shall construct the facilities identified in Appendix A of this GIA, subject to the approval of Governmental Authorities, needed to integrate the Generating Facility in the same manner as for any Generating Facility being designated as a Network Resource.

4.1.2.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications. NR Interconnection Service allows the Generating Facility to be designated by any Network Customer under the Tariff on the Transmission System as a Network Resource, up to the Generating Facility's full output, on the same basis as existing Network Resources that are interconnected to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, and to be studied as a Network Resource on the assumption that such a designation will occur. Although NR Interconnection Service does not convey a reservation of Transmission Service, any Network Customer can utilize Network Integration Transmission Service under the Tariff to obtain delivery of energy from the Generating Facility in the same manner as it accesses Network Resources. A Generating Facility receiving NR Interconnection Service may also be used to provide Ancillary Services after technical studies and/or periodic analyses are performed with respect to the Generating Facility's ability to provide any applicable Ancillary Services, provided that such studies and analyses have been or would be required in connection with the provision of such Ancillary Services by any existing Network Resource. However, if the Generating Facility has not been designated as a Network Resource by any Network Customer, it cannot be required to provide Ancillary Services except to the extent such requirements extend to all generating facilities that are similarly situated. The provision of Network Integration Transmission Service or Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades. Because such studies and upgrades would be associated with a request for delivery service under the Tariff, cost responsibility for the studies and upgrades would be in accordance with FERC's policy for pricing transmission delivery services.

NR Interconnection Service does not necessarily provide Interconnection Customer with the capability to physically deliver the output of its Generating Facility to any particular load on the Transmission System without incurring congestion costs. In the event of transmission or distribution constraints on the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, the Generating Facility shall be subject to the applicable congestion management procedures in the Transmission System in the same manner as Network Resources.

There is no requirement either at the time of study or interconnection, or at any point in the future, that the Generating Facility be designated as a Network Resource by a Network Customer or that Interconnection Customer identify a specific buyer (or sink). To the extent a Network Customer does designate the Generating Facility as a Network Resource, it must do so pursuant to the Tariff.

Once an Interconnection Customer satisfies the requirements for obtaining NR Interconnection Service, any future Transmission Service request for delivery from the Generating Facility within the Transmission System of any amount of capacity and/or energy, up to the amount initially studied, will not require that any additional studies be performed or that any further upgrades associated with such Generating Facility be undertaken, regardless of whether such Generating Facility is ever designated by a Network Customer as a Network Resource and regardless of changes in ownership of the Generating Facility. To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term Transmission Service for deliveries from the Generating Facility to customers other than the studied Network Customers, or for any Point-To-Point Transmission Service, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request. However, the reduction or elimination of congestion or redispatch costs may require additional studies and the construction of additional upgrades.

To the extent Interconnection Customer enters into an arrangement for long term Transmission Service for deliveries from the Generating Facility outside the Transmission System, such request may require additional studies and upgrades in order for Transmission Provider to grant such request.

4.1.2.3 Conditional NR Interconnection Service. An Interconnection Customer seeking NR Interconnection Service for new or added capacity at a Generating Facility may be granted conditional NR Interconnection Service status to the extent there is such capacity available on the Transmission System to accommodate the Interconnection Customer's

Generating Facility. At the request of Interconnection Customer, conditional NR Interconnection Service status may be granted subject to the system being able to accommodate the interconnection without upgrades, until such time as higher queued project(s) with a later service date affecting the same common elements is placed into service. The conditional NR Interconnection Service status may be converted to ER Interconnection Service if either of the following occurs:

- 1) Interconnection Customer fails to fund necessary studies and Network Upgrades required to allow the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility to receive NR Interconnection Service upon the completion of higher queued projects involving the same common elements; or
- 2) The higher queued project(s) or planned and required Network Upgrades are placed in service and the Network Upgrades required to provide NR Interconnection Service status to the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility are not in service.

In the event Interconnection Customer fails to fund the necessary studies and Network Upgrades for NR Interconnection Service, the Interconnection Customer's conditional NR Interconnection Service status shall be converted to ER Interconnection Service status unless Interconnection Customer makes a new Interconnection Request. Such new Interconnection Request shall be evaluated in accordance with the GIP and its new queue position.

Some or all of the conditional NR Interconnection Service status may be temporarily revoked if the Network Upgrades are not in service when the higher queued project(s) are placed in service. The availability of conditional NR Interconnection Service status will be determined by Transmission Provider's studies. Upon funding and completion of the Network Upgrades required to establish the Generating Facility's NR Interconnection Service status, the Generating Facility will be granted NR Interconnection Service status.

The Parties agree that the portion of the Generating Facility classified as NR Interconnection Service is the first portion of the output of the combined output of all the units at the Generating Facility except in circumstances where Interconnection Customer otherwise elects this GIA, as amended, to allocate that portion to the output of specific unit(s) at the Generating Facility, the total of which will not exceed the output eligible for NR Interconnection Service as shown by the additional studies. To the extent Interconnection Customer desires to obtain NR Interconnection Service for any portion of the Generating Facility in addition to that supported by such additional studies, Interconnection Customer will be

required to request such additional NR Interconnection Service through a separate Interconnection Request in accordance with the GIP.

4.1.3 Net Zero Interconnection Service (NZ Interconnection Service).

4.1.3.1 The Product. Net Zero Interconnection Service is restricted ER Interconnection Service that allows an Interconnection Customer to increase the gross generating capability at the same Point of Interconnection of an existing generating facility without increasing the existing Interconnection Service limit at that Point of Interconnection.

4.1.3.2 Transmission Delivery Service Implications. Net Zero Interconnection Service does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.2 Provision of Service. Transmission Provider shall provide Interconnection Service for the Generating Facility at the Point of Interconnection.

4.3 Performance Standards. Each Party shall perform all of its obligations under this GIA in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice. To the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, or if the obligations of any Party may become limited by a change in Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, and Good Utility Practice after the execution of this GIA, that Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this GIA for its compliance therewith. The Party so limited shall notify the other Parties whereupon Transmission Provider shall amend this GIA in concurrence with the other Parties and submit the amendment to the Commission for approval.

4.4 No Transmission Delivery Service. The execution of this GIA does not constitute a request for, or the provision of, any transmission delivery service under the Tariff, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.5 Interconnection Customer Provided Services. The services provided by Interconnection Customer under this GIA are set forth in Article 9.6 and Article 13.4.1. Interconnection Customer shall be paid for such services in accordance with Article 11.7.

ARTICLE 5. INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES ENGINEERING, PROCUREMENT, AND CONSTRUCTION

5.1 Options. Unless otherwise mutually agreed to between the Parties, Interconnection Customer shall select: 1) the In-Service Date, Initial Synchronization Date, and Commercial Operation Date based on a reasonable construction schedule that will allow sufficient time for design, construction, equipment procurement, and permit acquisition

of Transmission System equipment or right-of-way; and 2) either Standard Option or Alternate Option set forth below for completion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Generator Upgrades, as applicable, and set forth in Appendix A, and such dates and selected option shall be set forth in Appendix B. The dates and selected option shall be subject to the acceptance of Transmission Owner taking into account the type of construction to be employed and the regulatory requirements of Governmental Authority, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery, including the need to obtain permits or other authorizations for construction of the Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades, the Generating Facility and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades.

5.1.1 Standard Option. Transmission Owner shall design, procure, and construct the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, and Generator Upgrades using Reasonable Efforts to complete the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Generator Upgrades by the dates set forth in Appendix B, Milestones, subject to the receipt of all approvals required from Governmental Authorities and the receipt of all land rights necessary to commence construction of such facilities, and such other permits or authorizations as may be required. Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall not be required to undertake any action which is inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, Applicable Laws and Regulations and Good Utility Practice. In the event Transmission Owner reasonably expects that it will not be able to complete the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Generator Upgrades by the specified dates, Transmission Owner shall promptly provide written notice to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the earliest dates thereafter.

5.1.2 Alternate Option. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are acceptable to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and Transmission Owner shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities by the designated dates.

If Transmission Owner subsequently fails to complete the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities by the In-Service Date, to the extent necessary to provide back feed power; or fails to complete Network Upgrades by the Initial Synchronization Date to the extent necessary to allow for Trial Operation at full power output, unless other arrangements are made by the Parties for such Trial Operation; or fails to complete the Network Upgrades by the Commercial

Operation Date, as such dates are reflected in Appendix B, Milestones; Transmission Owner shall pay Interconnection Customer liquidated damages in accordance with Article 5.3, Liquidated Damages, provided, however, the dates designated by Interconnection Customer shall be extended day for day for each Calendar Day that Transmission Provider refuses to grant clearances to install equipment.

Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer may adopt an incentive payment schedule that is mutually agreeable to encourage Transmission Owner to meet specified accelerated dates. Such payment by Interconnection Customer is not subject to refund.

5.1.3 Option to Build. If the dates designated by Interconnection Customer are not acceptable to Transmission Owner to complete the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Transmission Provider shall so notify Interconnection Customer within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and unless the Parties agree otherwise, Interconnection Customer shall have the option to assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades by the dates originally designated by Interconnection Customer under Article 5.1.2. The Parties must agree as to what constitutes Stand Alone Network Upgrades and identify such Stand Alone Network Upgrades in Appendix A. Except for Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall have no right to construct Network Upgrades under this option.

5.1.4 Negotiated Option. If Interconnection Customer elects not to exercise its option under Article 5.1.3, Option to Build, Interconnection Customer shall so notify Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner within thirty (30) Calendar Days, and the Parties shall in good faith attempt to negotiate terms and conditions (including revision of the specified dates and liquidated damages, the provision of incentives or the procurement and construction of a portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades by Interconnection Customer) pursuant to which Transmission Owner is responsible for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades. If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on such terms and conditions, Transmission Owner shall assume responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades pursuant to 5.1.1, Standard Option.

Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer may adopt an incentive payment schedule that is mutually agreeable to encourage Transmission Owner to meet specified accelerated dates. Such payment by Interconnection Customer is not subject to refund.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Option to Build. If Interconnection Customer assumes responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades after receipt of all required approvals from Governmental Authorities necessary to commence construction,

(1) Interconnection Customer shall engineer, procure equipment, and construct the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by Transmission Owner, or as required by any Governmental Authority;

(2) Interconnection Customer's engineering, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall comply with all requirements of law or Governmental Authority to which Transmission Owner would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades;

(3) Transmission Provider, at Transmission Provider's option, and Transmission Owner shall be entitled to review and approve the engineering design, equipment acceptance tests(including witnessing of acceptance tests), and the construction (including monitoring of construction) of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall have the right to reject any design, procurement, construction or acceptance test of any equipment that does not meet the standards and specifications of Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner and any Governmental Authority;

(4) prior to commencement of construction, Interconnection Customer shall provide to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner a schedule for construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner;

(5) at any time during construction, Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner shall have unrestricted access to the construction site for the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades and to conduct inspections of the same;

(6) at any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment procurement, or construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades not meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Owner, Interconnection Customer shall be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network

Upgrades to meet the standards and specifications provided by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner;

(7) Interconnection Customer shall indemnify Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner for claims arising from the Interconnection Customer's construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades under the terms and procedures applicable to Article 18.1, Indemnity;

(8) Interconnection Customer shall transfer control of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Owner;

(9) Unless Parties otherwise agree, Interconnection Customer shall transfer ownership of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to Transmission Owner;

(10) Transmission Provider, at Transmission Provider's option, and Transmission Owner shall approve and accept for operation and maintenance the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2 only if the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades meet the standards and specifications of Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner and any Governmental Authority.

(11) Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Owner "as-built" drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required by Transmission Owner to assure that the Interconnection Facilities and Stand-Alone Network Upgrades are built to the standards and specifications required by Transmission Owner.

5.3 Liquidated Damages. The actual damages to Interconnection Customer, in the event the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades are not completed by the dates designated by Interconnection Customer and accepted by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner pursuant to subparagraphs 5.1.2 or 5.1.4, above, may include Interconnection Customer's fixed operation and maintenance costs and lost opportunity costs. Such actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time. Because of such uncertainty, any liquidated damages paid by Transmission Owner to Interconnection Customer in the event that Transmission Owner does not complete any portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades by the applicable dates, shall be an amount equal to ½ of 1 percent per day of the actual cost of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades, in the aggregate, for which Transmission Owner has assumed responsibility to design, procure and construct.

However, in no event shall the total liquidated damages exceed 20 percent of the actual cost of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades for which Transmission Owner has assumed responsibility to design, procure, and construct. The foregoing payments will be made by Transmission Owner to Interconnection Customer as just compensation for the damages caused to Interconnection Customer, which actual damages are uncertain and impossible to determine at this time, and as reasonable liquidated damages, but not as a penalty or a method to secure performance of this GIA. Liquidated damages, when the Parties agree to them, are the exclusive remedy for the Transmission Owner's failure to meet its schedule.

No liquidated damages shall be paid to Interconnection Customer if: (1) Interconnection Customer is not ready to commence use of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for the Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Generating Facility on the specified dates, unless Interconnection Customer would have been able to commence use of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or Network Upgrades to take the delivery of power for Generating Facility's Trial Operation or to export power from the Generating Facility, but for Transmission Owner's delay; (2) the Transmission Owner's failure to meet the specified dates is the result of the action or inaction of Transmission Provider, Interconnection Customer or any other earlier queued Interconnection Customer who has entered into an earlier GIA with Transmission Provider and/or a Transmission Owner or with an Affected System Operator, or any cause beyond Transmission Owner's reasonable control or reasonable ability to cure; (3) Interconnection Customer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades; (4) the delay is due to the inability of Transmission Owner to obtain all required approvals from Governmental Authorities in a timely manner for the construction of any element of the Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades or Stand Alone Network Upgrades, or any other permit or authorization required, or any land rights or other private authorizations that may be required, and Transmission Owner has exercised Reasonable Efforts in procuring such approvals, permits, rights or authorizations; or (5) the Parties have otherwise agreed.

5.4 Power System Stabilizers. Interconnection Customer shall procure, install, maintain and operate power system stabilizers in accordance with the guidelines and procedures established by the Applicable Reliability Council. Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner reserve the right to reasonably establish minimum acceptable settings for any installed power system stabilizers, subject to the design and operating limitations of the Generating Facility. If the Generating Facility's power system stabilizers are removed from service or are not capable of automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify the Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to induction generators.

5.5 Equipment Procurement. If responsibility for construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and/or Distribution Upgrades is to

be borne by Transmission Owner, then Transmission Owner shall commence design of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and/or Distribution Upgrades, and procure necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied, unless the Parties otherwise agree in writing:

- 5.5.1** Transmission Provider has completed the Interconnection Facilities Study pursuant to the Interconnection Facilities Study Agreement; and
- 5.5.2** Where applicable, Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.6 by the dates specified in Appendix B, Milestones.
- 5.6 Construction Commencement.** Transmission Owner shall commence construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, and Generator Upgrades for which it is responsible as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

 - 5.6.1** Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval; and
 - 5.6.2** Where applicable, Interconnection Customer has provided security to Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.6 by the dates specified in Appendix B, Milestones.
- 5.7 Work Progress.** Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer will keep each other and Transmission Provider advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts. Either Transmission Owner or Interconnection Customer may, at any time, request a progress report from the other, with a copy to be provided to the other Parties. If, at any time, Interconnection Customer determines that the completion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities will not be required until after the specified In-Service Date, Interconnection Customer will provide written notice to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner of such later date upon which the completion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades or Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities will be required. Transmission Owner may delay the In-Service Date of its facilities accordingly.
- 5.8 Information Exchange.** As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Parties shall exchange information regarding the design and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities and compatibility of the Interconnection Facilities with the Transmission System or Distribution System, as applicable, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.
- 5.9 Limited Operation.** If any of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, or Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution

Upgrades or Generator Upgrades are not reasonably expected to be completed prior to the Commercial Operation Date of the Generating Facility, Transmission Provider shall, upon the request and at the expense of Interconnection Customer, perform operating studies on a timely basis to determine the extent to which the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities may operate prior to the completion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades or Generator Upgrades consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, Good Utility Practice, and this GIA. Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner shall permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the results of such studies; provided, however, such studies reveal that such operation may occur without detriment to the Transmission System as then configured and in accordance with the safety requirements of Transmission Owner and any Governmental Authority.

The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility will be updated on a quarterly basis if the Network Upgrades necessary for the interconnection of the Generating Facility pursuant to this GIA are not in service within six (6) months following the Commercial Operation Date of the Generating Facility as specified in Appendix B of this GIA. These quarterly studies will be performed using the same methodology set forth in Section 11.5 of the GIP. These quarterly updates will end when all Network Upgrades necessary for the interconnection of the Generating Facility pursuant to this GIA are in service.

5.10 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, design, procure, construct, own and install the ICIF, as set forth in Appendix A.

5.10.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facility Specifications. Interconnection Customer shall submit initial design and specifications for the ICIF, including Interconnection Customer's System Protection Facilities, to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner at least one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date; and final design and specifications for review and comment at least ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the Initial Synchronization Date. Transmission Provider at Transmission Provider's option, and Transmission Owner shall review such specifications to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with their respective technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements and comment on such design and specifications within thirty (30) Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission. All specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed confidential.

5.10.2 Transmission Provider's and Transmission Owner's Review. Transmission Provider's and Transmission Owner's review of Interconnection Customer's final specifications shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the

Generating Facility, or the ICIF. Interconnection Customer shall make such changes to the ICIF as may reasonably be required by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the ICIF are compatible with the technical specifications, operational control and safety requirements of Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner.

5.10.3 ICIF Construction. The ICIF shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Interconnection Customer shall deliver to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner “as-built” drawings, information and documents for the ICIF, such as: a one-line diagram, a site plan showing the Generating Facility and the ICIF, plan and elevation drawings showing the layout of the ICIF, a relay functional diagram, relaying AC and DC schematic wiring diagrams and relay settings for all facilities associated with the Interconnection Customer’s step-up transformers, the facilities connecting the Generating Facility to the step-up transformers and the ICIF, and the impedances (determined by factory tests) for the associated step-up transformers and the Generating Facility. Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner with Interconnection Customer’s specifications for the excitation system, automatic voltage regulator, Generating Facility control and protection settings, transformer tap settings, and communications, if applicable.

5.11 Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities Construction. The Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Good Utility Practice. Upon request, within one hundred twenty (120) Calendar Days after the Commercial Operation Date, unless the Parties agree on another mutually acceptable deadline, Transmission Owner shall deliver to Transmission Provider (if requested) and Interconnection Customer the “as-built” drawings, information and documents for the Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities specified in Appendix C to this GIA.

Such drawings, information and documents shall be deemed Confidential Information.

Upon completion, the Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities and Stand Alone Network Upgrades shall be under the control of Transmission Provider or its designated representative.

5.12 Access Rights. Upon reasonable notice by a Party, and subject to any required or necessary regulatory approvals, a Party (“Granting Party”) shall furnish *at no cost* to the other Party (“Access Party”) any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement), or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress to construct, operate, maintain, repair, test (or

witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect the Generating Facility with the Transmission System; (ii) operate and maintain the Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party's facilities and equipment upon termination of this GIA. In exercising such licenses, rights of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal operation of the Granting Party's business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided to the Access Party.

- 5.13 Lands of Other Property Owners.** If any part of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, and/or Distribution Upgrades is to be installed on property owned by persons other than Interconnection Customer or Transmission Owner, Transmission Owner shall at Interconnection Customer's expense use efforts, similar in nature and extent to those that it typically undertakes on its own behalf or on behalf of its Affiliates, including use of its eminent domain authority to the extent permitted and consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations and, to the extent consistent with such Applicable Laws and Regulations, to procure from such persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct, operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and/or Distribution Upgrades upon such property.
- 5.14 Permits.** Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses and authorizations that are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Transmission Owner shall provide permitting assistance to Interconnection Customer comparable to that provided to the Transmission Owner's own, or an Affiliate's, generation to the extent that Transmission Owner or its Affiliate owns generation.
- 5.15 Early Construction of Base Case Facilities.** (Includes facilities required for all queued projects with interconnection agreements).Interconnection Customer may request Transmission Owner to construct, and Transmission Owner shall construct, using Reasonable Efforts to accommodate Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date, all or any portion of any Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades required for Interconnection Customer to be interconnected to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, which are included in the Base Case of the Interconnection Facilities Study for Interconnection Customer, and which also are required to be constructed for another Interconnection Customer with a prior GIA, but where such construction is not scheduled to be completed in time to achieve Interconnection Customer's In-Service Date. Any such Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades are included in the facilities to be constructed and as set forth in Appendix A to this GIA to the extent they are reasonably known.

5.16 Suspension.

5.16.1 Interconnection Customer's Right to Suspend for Force Majeure Event;

Obligations. Provided that such suspension is permissible under the authorizations, permits or approvals granted for the construction of such Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades or Stand Alone Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer will not suspend unless a Force Majeure event occurs.

Interconnection Customer must provide written notice of its request for suspension to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner, and provide a description of the Force Majeure event that is acceptable to Transmission Provider. Suspension will only apply to Interconnection Customer milestones and Interconnection Facilities described in the Appendices of this GIA. Prior to suspension, Interconnection Customer must also provide security acceptable to Transmission Owner, equivalent to the higher of \$5 million or the total cost of all Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, and Distribution Upgrades listed in Appendix A of this GIA. Network Upgrades and Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities will be constructed on the schedule described in the Appendices of this GIA unless: (1) construction is prevented by the order of a Governmental Authority; (2) the Network Upgrades are not needed by any other project; or (3) Transmission Owner or Transmission Provider determines that a Force Majeure event prevents construction. In the event of (1), (2), or (3) security shall be released upon the determination that the Network Upgrades will no longer be constructed.

If suspension occurs, the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the Transmission Provider's and Transmission Owner's safety and reliability criteria. In such event, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs which Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner (i) have incurred pursuant to this GIA prior to the suspension and (ii) incur in suspending such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material, equipment or labor contract, Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner shall obtain Interconnection Customer's authorization to do so.

Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner shall each invoice Interconnection Customer for such costs pursuant to Article 12 and shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize its costs. In the event Interconnection Customer suspends work by Transmission Owner required under this GIA pursuant to this Article 5.16, and has not requested Transmission Owner to recommence the work

required under this GIA on or before the expiration of three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this GIA shall be deemed terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date the suspension is requested, or the date of the written notice to Transmission Provider, if no effective date is specified.

5.16.2 Effect of Missed Interconnection Customer Milestones. If Interconnection Customer fails to provide notice of suspension pursuant to Article 5.16, and Interconnection Customer fails to fulfill or complete any Interconnection Customer Milestone provided in Appendix B (“Milestone”), this constitutes a Breach under this GIA. Depending upon the consequences of the Breach and effectiveness of the cure pursuant to Article 17, the Transmission Owners’ Milestones may be revised, following consultation with Interconnection Customer, consistent with Reasonable Efforts, and in consideration of all relevant circumstances. Parties shall employ Reasonable Efforts to maintain their remaining respective Milestones.

5.16.3 Effect of Suspension; Parties Obligations. In the event that Interconnection Customer suspends work pursuant to this Article 5.16, no construction duration, timelines and schedules set forth in Appendix B shall be suspended during the period of suspension unless ordered by a Governmental Authority, with such order being the Force Majeure event causing the suspension. Should Interconnection Customer request that work be recommenced, Transmission Owner shall be obligated to proceed with Reasonable Efforts and in consideration of all relevant circumstances including regional outage schedules, construction availability and material procurement in performing the work as described in Appendix A and Appendix B. Transmission Owner will provide Interconnection Customer with a revised schedule for the design, procurement, construction, installation and testing of the Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades. Upon any suspension by Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.16, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for only those costs specified in this Article 5.16.

5.17 Taxes.

5.17.1 Interconnection Customer Payments Not Taxable. The Parties intend that all payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner for the installation of the Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner’s System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Generator Upgrades shall be non-taxable, either as contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws. To the extent that Transmission Owner is a limited liability company and not a corporation, and has elected to be taxed as a partnership, then the following shall apply: Transmission Owner represents, and the Parties acknowledge, that Transmission Owner is a

limited liability company and is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. Any payment made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner for Network Upgrades is to be treated as an upfront payment in accordance with Rev Proc 2005-35. It is anticipated by the parties that any amounts paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner for Network Upgrades will be reimbursed to Interconnection Customer in accordance with the terms of this GIA, provided Interconnection Customer fulfills its obligations under this GIA.

- 5.17.2 Representations and Covenants.** In accordance with IRS Notice 2016-36, Interconnection Customer represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Generating Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the cost of any property transferred to Transmission Owner for the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities will be capitalized by Interconnection Customer as an intangible asset and recovered using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities that is a "dual-use intertie," within the meaning of IRS Notice 2016-36, is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the Generating Facility. For this purpose, "de minimis amount" means no more than 5 percent of the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the "5 percent test" set forth in IRS Notice 2016-36. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for non-taxable treatment.

At Transmission Owner's request, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Owner with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above, with a copy to Transmission Provider. Transmission Owner represents and covenants that the cost of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities paid for by Interconnection Customer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

- 5.17.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability.** Upon Transmission Owner. Notwithstanding Article 5.17.1 and to the extent permitted by law, Interconnection Customer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Transmission Owner from the cost consequences of any tax liability imposed against Transmission Owner as the result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner under this GIA for Interconnection Facilities, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Owner.

Transmission Owner shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Interconnection Customer

under this GIA unless (i) Transmission Owner has determined, in good faith, that the payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority directs Transmission Owner to report payments or property as income subject to taxation; provided, however, that Transmission Owner may require Interconnection Customer to provide security for Interconnection Facilities, in a form reasonably acceptable to Transmission Owner (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost consequences or any current tax liability under this Article 5.17. Interconnection Customer shall reimburse Transmission Owner for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in accordance with Article 5.17.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification from Transmission Owner of the amount due, including detail about how the amount was calculated.

The indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by Transmission Owner upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.17.

5.17.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount. Interconnection Customer's liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.17 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the parties, this means that Interconnection Customer will pay Transmission Owner, in addition to the amount paid for the Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, and/or Distribution Upgrades, an amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Transmission Owner ("Current Taxes") on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Transmission Owner as a result of payments or property transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner under this GIA (without regard to any payments under this Article 5.17) (the "Gross Income Amount") over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the "Present Value Depreciation Amount"), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit Transmission Owner to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Transmission Owner's composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are received and Transmission Owner will be treated as being subject to tax at the highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the "Current Tax Rate"), and (ii) the Present Value Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Transmission Owner's anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by Transmission Owner's current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula for calculating

Interconnection Customer's liability to Transmission Owner pursuant to this Article 5.17.4 can be expressed as follows: $(\text{Current Tax Rate} \times (\text{Gross Income Amount} - \text{Present Value of Tax Depreciation})) / (1 - \text{Current Tax Rate})$. Interconnection Customer's estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A, Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades and Distribution Upgrades.

5.17.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law. At Interconnection Customer's request and expense, Transmission Owner shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner under this GIA are subject to federal income taxation. Interconnection Customer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Interconnection Customer's knowledge. Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

Transmission Owner shall keep Interconnection Customer fully informed of the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS, that authorizes Interconnection Customer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter ruling. Transmission Owner shall allow Interconnection Customer to attend all meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Interconnection Customer to prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.17.6 Subsequent Taxable Events. If, within 10 years from the date on which the relevant Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities are placed in service, (i) Interconnection Customer breaches the covenant contained in Article 5.17.2, (ii) a "disqualification event" occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii) this GIA terminates and Transmission Owner retains ownership of the Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, and/or Distribution Upgrades, Interconnection Customer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Transmission Owner, calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.17.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice 90-60.

5.17.7 Contests. In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Transmission Owner's receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation, Transmission Owner shall notify Interconnection Customer, in writing, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental Authority. Upon the timely written request by Interconnection Customer and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Owner may appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Interconnection Customer's written

request and sole expense, Transmission Owner shall file a claim for refund with respect to any taxes paid under this Article 5.17, whether or not it has received such a determination. Transmission Owner reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Transmission Owner shall keep Interconnection Customer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Interconnection Customer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Interconnection Customer or an Interconnection Customer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Owner on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Owner, Transmission Owner's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest. At any time during the contest, Transmission Owner may agree to a settlement either with Interconnection Customer's consent or after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Transmission Owner, but reasonably acceptable to Interconnection Customer, that the proposed settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Interconnection Customer's obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Interconnection Customer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any related cost consequences of the current tax liability. Any settlement without Interconnection Customer's consent or such written advice will relieve Interconnection Customer from any obligation to indemnify Transmission Owner for the tax at issue in the contest.

5.17.8 Refund. In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Transmission Owner which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner under the terms of this GIA is not subject to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice, ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Transmission Owner in good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner under the terms of this GIA is not taxable to Transmission Owner, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in a determination that any payments or transfers made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Transmission Owner receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any payment or property transfer made by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner pursuant to this GIA, Transmission Owner shall promptly refund to Interconnection Customer the following:

(i) any payment made by Interconnection Customer under this Article 5.17 for taxes that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,

(ii) interest on any amounts paid by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner for such taxes which Transmission Owner did not submit to the taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in 18 C.F.R. Section 35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Interconnection Customer to the date Transmission Owner refunds such payment to Interconnection Customer, and

(iii) with respect to any such taxes paid by Transmission Owner, any refund or credit Transmission Owner receives or to which it may be entitled from any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment described in clause (i), above) owed to Transmission Owner for such overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Transmission Owner to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit); provided, however, that Transmission Owner will remit such amount promptly to Interconnection Customer only after and to the extent that Transmission Owner has received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable overpayment of income tax related to the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave both parties, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.17.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes. Upon the timely request by Interconnection Customer, and at Interconnection Customer's sole expense, Transmission Owner shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against Transmission Owner for which Interconnection Customer may be required to reimburse Transmission Owner under the terms of this GIA. Interconnection Customer shall pay to Transmission Owner on a periodic basis, as invoiced by Transmission Owner, Transmission Owner's documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Owner for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due and payable after appeal, Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all taxes,

interest and penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Transmission Owner.

5.18 Tax Status. Each Party shall cooperate with the other Parties to maintain each Party's tax status. Nothing in this GIA is intended to adversely affect any Party's tax-exempt status with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.19 Modification.

5.19.1 General. Either Party may undertake modifications to its facilities. If a Party plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be expected to affect another Party's facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Parties sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Parties may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work. Such information shall be deemed to be Confidential Information hereunder and shall include information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are expected to interrupt the flow of electricity from the Generating Facility. The Party desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to the other Parties at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of the work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

In the case of Generating Facility modifications that do not require Interconnection Customer to submit an Interconnection Request, Transmission Provider shall provide, within thirty (30) Calendar Days (or such other time as the Parties may agree), an estimate of any additional modifications to the Transmission or Distribution System as applicable, Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, and/or Distribution Upgrades necessitated by such Interconnection Customer modification and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof which shall be the responsibility of Interconnection Customer.

5.19.2 Standards. Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party's facilities shall be designed, constructed and operated in accordance with this GIA and Good Utility Practice.

5.19.3 Modification Costs. Interconnection Customer shall not be directly assigned the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that Transmission Owner makes to the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, or the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, or to provide transmission service to a third party under the Tariff.

Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements to the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may be necessary to maintain or upgrade such Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities consistent with Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards or Good Utility Practice.

ARTICLE 6. TESTING AND INSPECTION

- 6.1 Pre-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.** Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Transmission Owner shall test the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades, and Interconnection Customer shall test each electric production device at the Generating Facility, Interconnection Customer's System Protection Facilities and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to ensure their safe and reliable operation. Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall make any modifications to their respective facilities that are found to be necessary as a result of such testing. Interconnection Customer shall bear the cost of all such testing and modifications. Interconnection Customer shall generate test energy at the Generating Facility only if it has arranged for the delivery of such test energy.
- 6.2 Post-Commercial Operation Date Testing and Modifications.** Each Party shall at its own expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with Good Utility Practice as may be necessary to ensure the continued interconnection of the Generating Facility with the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, in a safe and reliable manner. Each Party shall have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional testing of the Interconnection Facilities, at the requesting Party's expense, as may be in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 6.3 Right to Observe Testing.** Each Party shall notify the other Parties in advance of its performance of tests of its Interconnection Facilities. The other Parties shall each have the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.
- 6.4 Right to Inspect.** Each Party shall have the right, but shall have no obligation to:
- (i) observe Transmission Owner's and Interconnection Customer's tests and/or inspection of any of their respective System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment, including power system stabilizers;
 - (ii) review the settings of the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and
 - (iii) review the maintenance records relative to the Interconnection Facilities, the System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment.
- A Party may exercise these rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Parties. The exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of any element or condition of the Interconnection Facilities or the System Protection Facilities or other protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness,

safety, desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be deemed to be Confidential Information and treated pursuant to Article 22 of this GIA.

ARTICLE 7. METERING

- 7.1 General.** Each Party shall comply with the Applicable Reliability Council requirements. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, Transmission Owner, at its election, or otherwise Interconnection Customer, shall install Metering Equipment (the "Metering Party") at the Point of Interconnection prior to any operation of the Generating Facility and Transmission Owner, at its election, or otherwise Interconnection Customer shall own, operate, test and maintain such Metering Equipment. Power flows to and from the Generating Facility shall be measured at or, at the Metering Party's option, compensated to, the Point of Interconnection. The Metering Party shall provide metering quantities, in analog and/or digital form, to the other Parties upon request. Interconnection Customer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, installation, operation, testing and maintenance of the Metering Equipment.
- 7.2 Check Meters.** Interconnection Customer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its premises and on its side of the Point of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check the Metering Equipment owned by the Metering Party. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this GIA, except as provided in Article 7.4 below. The check meters shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and examination by Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner or their designees. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be performed entirely by Interconnection Customer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 7.3 Standards.** The Metering Party shall install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment in accordance with applicable ANSI standards.
- 7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.** The Metering Party shall inspect and test Metering Equipment upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If requested to do so by a Party, the Metering Party shall, at the requesting Party's expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment more frequently than every two (2) years. The Metering Party shall give reasonable notice to the other Parties of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and the other Parties may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at Interconnection Customer's expense, in order to provide accurate metering, unless the inaccuracy or defect is due to the Metering Party's failure to maintain, then the Metering Party shall pay. If Metering Equipment fails to register, or if the measurement made by Metering Equipment during a test varies by more than two percent (2%) from the measurement made by the standard meter used in the test, the Metering Party shall adjust the measurements by correcting all measurements for the period during which Metering Equipment was in error by using Interconnection Customer's check meters, if installed. If no such check meters are installed or if the

period cannot be reasonably ascertained, the adjustment shall be for the period immediately preceding the test of the Metering Equipment equal to one-half the time from the date of the previous test of the Metering Equipment.

- 7.5 Metering Data.** At Interconnection Customer's expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to one or more locations designated by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner and one or more locations designated by Interconnection Customer. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy delivered from the Generating Facility to the Point of Interconnection.

ARTICLE 8. COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1 Interconnection Customer Obligations.** Interconnection Customer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications with Transmission Provider's Transmission System dispatcher or representative designated by Transmission Provider. Interconnection Customer shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its Generating Facility control room or central dispatch facility through use of either the public telephone system, or a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Interconnection Customer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Interconnection Customer data to Transmission Provider as set forth in Appendix D, Security Arrangements Details. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Generating Facility to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider. Any required maintenance of such communications equipment shall be performed by and at the cost of Interconnection Customer. Operational communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data.

Unless the Generating Facility is an Intermittent Resource not relying on wind as a fuel source, Interconnection Customer shall install communication and control equipment such that the Generating Facility can receive and respond to the appropriate dispatch signals while operating under the Tariff. Where applicable, the requirements of the communication and control equipment will be enumerated in Appendix C to this GIA.

- 8.2 Remote Terminal Unit (RTU).** Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Generating Facility, a remote terminal unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to both Parties, shall be installed by Interconnection Customer, or by Transmission Owner at Interconnection Customer's expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the location(s) designated by Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider through use of a dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider. Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner.

Each Party will promptly advise the other Parties if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

- 8.3 No Annexation.** Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Parties.
- 8.4 Provision of Data from a Variable Energy Resource.** The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource shall provide meteorological and forced outage data to the Transmission Provider to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having wind as the energy source will, upon request by the Transmission Provider, be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: temperature, wind speed, wind direction, and atmospheric pressure. The Interconnection Customer with a Variable Energy Resource having solar as the energy source will, upon request by the Transmission Provider, be required to provide the Transmission Provider with site-specific meteorological data including: temperature, atmospheric pressure, and irradiance. The Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource shall mutually agree to any additional meteorological data that are required for the development and deployment of a power production forecast. The Interconnection Customer whose Generating Facility is a Variable Energy Resource also shall submit data to the Transmission Provider regarding all forced outages to the extent necessary for the Transmission Provider's development and deployment of power production forecasts for that class of Variable Energy Resources. The exact specifications of the meteorological and forced outage data to be provided by the Interconnection Customer to the Transmission Provider, including the frequency and timing of data submittals, shall be made taking into account the size and configuration of the Variable Energy Resource, its characteristics, location, and its importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area. All requirements for meteorological and forced outage data must be commensurate with the power production forecasting employed by the Transmission Provider. Data requirements for meteorological and forced outage data will be negotiated by the Transmission Provider and the Interconnection Customer, and will be set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this GIA.

ARTICLE 9. OPERATIONS

- 9.1 General.** Each Party shall comply with the Applicable Reliability Council requirements. Each Party shall provide to any Party all information that may reasonably be required by that Party to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards.

- 9.2 Local Balancing Authority Notification.** At least three (3) months before Initial Synchronization Date, Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner in writing of the Local Balancing Authority in which the Generating Facility will be located. If Interconnection Customer elects to locate the Generating Facility through dynamic metering/scheduling in a Local Balancing Authority other than the Local Balancing Authority in which the Generating Facility is physically located, and if permitted to do so by the relevant transmission tariffs, all necessary arrangements, including but not limited to those set forth in Article 7 and Article 8 of this GIA, and remote Local Balancing Authority generator interchange agreements, if applicable, and the appropriate measures under such agreements, shall be executed and implemented prior to the placement of the Generating Facility in the other Local Balancing Authority.
- 9.3 Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner Obligations.** Transmission Provider shall cause the Transmission System and the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner in accordance with this GIA. Transmission Provider, or its designee, may provide operating instructions to Interconnection Customer consistent with this GIA and the Tariff and, if applicable, Transmission Owner's operating protocols and procedures as they may change from time to time. Transmission Provider will consider changes to its operating protocols and procedures proposed by Interconnection Customer.
- 9.4 Interconnection Customer Obligations.** Interconnection Customer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this GIA. The Generating Facility must be operated in accordance with the operating limits, if any, in the Interconnection Facilities Study and specified in Appendix C of this GIA. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in accordance with all applicable requirements of Transmission Provider or its designated Local Balancing Authority Operator of which the Generating Facility is part, as such requirements are set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this GIA. Appendix C, Interconnection Details, will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Any Party may request that a Party provide copies of the requirements set forth in Appendix C, Interconnection Details, of this GIA.
- 9.5 Start-Up and Synchronization.** Consistent with the Parties' mutually acceptable procedures, Interconnection Customer is responsible for the proper synchronization of the Generating Facility to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable.
- 9.6 Reactive Power and Primary Frequency Response.**
- 9.6.1 Power Factor Design Criteria.**
- 9.6.1.1 Synchronous Generation.** Interconnection Customer shall design the Generating Facility to be capable of maintaining a composite power

delivery at continuous rated power output at the Point of Interconnection at all power factors over 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all synchronous generators in the Local Balancing Authority on a comparable basis. The applicable Local Balancing Authority power factor requirements are listed on the Transmission Provider's website at

https://cdn.misoenergy.org/Reactive_Generator_Requirements108137.pdf

and may be referenced in the Appendices to this GIA. The Generating Facility shall be capable of continuous dynamic operation throughout the power factor design range as measured at the Point of Interconnection. Such operation shall account for the net effect of all energy production devices on the Interconnection Customer's side of the Point of Interconnection.

9.6.1.2 Non-Synchronous Generation. Interconnection Customer shall design the Generating Facility to be capable of maintaining a composite power delivery at continuous rated power output at the high-side of the generator substation at all power factors over 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless the Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all non-synchronous generators in the Local Balancing Authority on a comparable basis. The applicable Local Balancing Authority power factor requirements are listed on the Transmission Provider's website at

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and may be referenced in the Appendices to this GIA. This power factor range standard shall be dynamic and can be met using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors, or a combination of the two. This requirement shall only apply to newly interconnecting non-synchronous generators that have not yet completed a System Impact Study as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing this requirement (Order No. 827). These requirements apply to existing non-synchronous generators making upgrades that require a new Generator Interconnection Agreement only where the Transmission Provider's System Impact Study shows the need for reactive power as a result of an upgrade. If applicable, these requirements will be memorialized in Appendix C to this GIA.

9.6.2 Voltage Schedules. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Transmission Provider shall require Interconnection Customer to operate the Generating Facility to produce or absorb reactive power within the design limitations of the Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria), to maintain the output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection

as specified by Transmission Provider. Transmission Provider's voltage schedules shall treat all sources of reactive power in the Local Balancing Authority in an equitable and not unduly discriminatory manner. Transmission Provider shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to provide Interconnection Customer with such schedules at least one (1) Calendar Day in advance, and may make changes to such schedules as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission or Distribution System as applicable. Interconnection Customer shall operate the Generating Facility to maintain the specified output voltage or power factor at the Point of Interconnection within the design limitations of the Generating Facility set forth in Article 9.6.1 (Power Factor Design Criteria). If Interconnection Customer is unable to maintain the specified voltage or power factor, it shall promptly notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative.

9.6.2.1 Voltage Regulators. Whenever the Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission or Distribution System as applicable and voltage regulators are capable of operation, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Generating Facility with its speed governors and voltage regulators in automatic operation. If the Generating Facility's voltage regulators are not capable of such automatic operation, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider's system operator, or its designated representative, and ensure that such Generating Facility's reactive power production or absorption (measured in MVARs) are within the design capability of the Generating Facility's generating unit(s) and steady state stability limits. Interconnection Customer shall not cause its Generating Facility to disconnect automatically or instantaneously from the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, or trip any generating unit comprising the Generating Facility for an under or over frequency condition unless the abnormal frequency condition persists for a time period beyond the limits set forth in ANSI/IEEE Standard C37.106, or such other standard as applied to other generators in the Local Balancing Authority on a comparable basis.

9.6.3 Payment for Reactive Power. Payments for reactive power shall be pursuant to any tariff or rate schedule filed by Transmission Provider and approved by the FERC.

9.6.4 Primary Frequency Response. This Section 9.6.4 shall only apply in the event that the Interconnection Request for the Generating Facility completed Definitive Planning Phase Interconnection Customer Decision Point 2 after May 15, 2018.

Interconnection Customer shall ensure the primary frequency response capability of its Generating Facility by installing, maintaining, and

operating a functioning governor or equivalent controls. The term “functioning governor or equivalent controls” as used herein shall mean the required hardware and/or software that provides frequency responsive real power control with the ability to sense changes in system frequency and autonomously adjust the Generating Facility’s real power output in accordance with the droop and deadband parameters and in the direction needed to correct frequency deviations. Interconnection Customer is required to install a governor or equivalent controls with the capability of operating: (1) with a maximum 5 percent droop and ± 0.036 Hz deadband; or (2) in accordance with the relevant droop, deadband, and timely and sustained response settings from an approved NERC Reliability Standard providing for equivalent or more stringent parameters. The droop characteristic shall be: (1) based on the nameplate capacity of the Generating Facility, and shall be linear in the range of frequencies between 59 to 61 Hz that are outside of the deadband parameter; or (2) based on an approved NERC Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. The deadband parameter shall be: the range of frequencies above and below nominal (60 Hz) in which the governor or equivalent controls is not expected to adjust the Generating Facility’s real power output in response to frequency deviations. The deadband shall be implemented: (1) without a step to the droop curve, that is, once the frequency deviation exceeds the deadband parameter, the expected change in the Generating Facility’s real power output in response to frequency deviations shall start from zero and then increase (for under-frequency deviations) or decrease (for over-frequency deviations) linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the frequency deviation; or (2) in accordance with an approved NERC Reliability Standard providing for an equivalent or more stringent parameter. Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider that the primary frequency response capability of the Generating Facility has been tested and confirmed during commissioning. Once Interconnection Customer has synchronized the Generating Facility with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Generating Facility consistent with the provisions specified in Sections 9.6.4.1 and 9.6.4.2 of this GIA. The primary frequency response requirements contained herein shall apply to both synchronous and non-synchronous Generating Facilities.

- 9.6.4.1 Governor or Equivalent Controls.** Whenever the Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System, Interconnection Customer shall operate the Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls in service and responsive to frequency. Interconnection Customer shall: (1) in coordination with Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority, set the deadband parameter to: (a) a maximum of ± 0.036 Hz and set the droop parameter to a maximum of 5 percent; or (b) implement the relevant droop and deadband settings from an approved NERC Reliability Standard that

provides for equivalent or more stringent parameters. Interconnection Customer shall be required to provide the status and settings of the governor or equivalent controls to Transmission Provider and/or the relevant balancing authority upon request. If Interconnection Customer needs to operate the Generating Facility with its governor or equivalent controls not in service, Interconnection Customer shall immediately notify Transmission Provider and the relevant balancing authority, and provide both with the following information: (1) the operating status of the governor or equivalent controls (i.e., whether it is currently out of service or when it will be taken out of service); (2) the reasons for removing the governor or equivalent controls from service; and (3) a reasonable estimate of when the governor or equivalent controls will be returned to service. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to return its governor or equivalent controls into service as soon as practicable. Interconnection Customer shall make Reasonable Efforts to keep outages of the Generating Facility's governor or equivalent controls to a minimum whenever the Generating Facility is operated in parallel with the Transmission System.

9.6.4.2 Timely and Sustained Response. Interconnection Customer shall ensure that the Generating Facility's real power response to sustained frequency deviations outside of the deadband setting is automatically provided and shall begin immediately after frequency deviates outside of the deadband, and to the extent the Generating Facility has operating capability in the direction needed to correct the frequency deviation. Interconnection Customer shall not block or otherwise inhibit the ability of the governor or equivalent controls to respond and shall ensure that the response is not inhibited, except under certain operational constraints including, but not limited to, ambient temperature limitations, physical energy limitations, outages of mechanical equipment, or regulatory requirements. The Generating Facility shall sustain the real power response at least until system frequency returns to a value within the deadband setting of the governor or equivalent controls. A Commission-approved Reliability Standard with equivalent or more stringent requirements shall supersede the above requirements.

9.6.4.3 Exemptions. Generating Facilities that are regulated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission shall be exempt from Sections 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, and 9.6.4.2 of this GIA. Generating Facilities that are behind the meter generation that is sized-to-load (i.e., the thermal load and the generation are near-balanced in real-time operation and the generation is primarily controlled to maintain the unique thermal, chemical, or mechanical output necessary for the operating requirements of its host facility) shall be required to install primary frequency response capability in accordance with the droop and deadband capability requirements specified in Section 9.6.4, but shall be otherwise

exempt from the operating requirements in Sections 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2, and 9.6.4.4 of this GIA.

9.6.4.4 Electric Storage Resources. Interconnection Customer interconnecting an electric storage resource shall establish an operating range in Appendix C that specifies a minimum state of charge and a maximum state of charge between which the electric storage resource will be required to provide primary frequency response consistent with the conditions set forth in Sections 9.6.4, 9.6.4.1, 9.6.4.2 and 9.6.4.3 of this GIA. Appendix C shall specify whether the operating range is static or dynamic, and shall consider (1) the expected magnitude of frequency deviations in the interconnection; (2) the expected duration that system frequency will remain outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (3) the expected incidence of frequency deviations outside of the deadband parameter in the interconnection; (4) the physical capabilities of the electric storage resource; (5) operational limitations of the electric storage resource due to manufacturer specifications; and (6) any other relevant factors agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, and in consultation with the relevant transmission owner or balancing authority as appropriate. If the operating range is dynamic, then Appendix C must establish how frequently the operating range will be reevaluated and the factors that may be considered during its reevaluation.

Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is required to provide timely and sustained primary frequency response consistent with Section 9.6.4.2 of this GIA when it is online and dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or receive electricity from the Transmission System. This excludes circumstances when the electric storage resource is not dispatched to inject electricity to the Transmission System and/or dispatched to receive electricity from the Transmission System. If Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is charging at the time of a frequency deviation outside of its deadband parameter, it is to increase (for over-frequency deviations) or decrease (for under-frequency deviations) the rate at which it is charging in accordance with its droop parameter. Interconnection Customer's electric storage resource is not required to change from charging to discharging, or vice versa, unless the response necessitated by the droop and deadband settings requires it to do so and it is technically capable of making such a transition.

9.7 Outages and Interruptions.

9.7.1 Outages.

9.7.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination. Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner may each in accordance with Good Utility Practice in coordination with the other Party and Transmission Provider remove from service any of its respective Interconnection Facilities, System Protection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades that may impact the other Party's facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency Condition, the Party scheduling a removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to notify one another and schedule such removal on a date and time mutually acceptable to the Parties. In all circumstances, any Party planning to remove such facility(ies) from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Parties of such removal.

9.7.1.2 Outage Schedules. Transmission Provider shall post scheduled outages of transmission facilities on the OASIS. Interconnection Customer shall submit its planned maintenance schedules for the Generating Facility to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner for a minimum of a rolling twenty-four (24) month period in accordance with the Transmission Provider's procedures. Interconnection Customer shall update its planned maintenance schedules as necessary. Transmission Provider may request Interconnection Customer to reschedule its maintenance as necessary to maintain the reliability of the Transmission System; provided, however, adequacy of generation supply shall not be a criterion in determining Transmission System reliability. Transmission Provider shall compensate, pursuant to applicable Transmission Provider tariff or rate schedule, Interconnection Customer for any additional direct costs that Interconnection Customer incurs as a result of having to reschedule maintenance, including any additional overtime, breaking of maintenance contracts or other costs above and beyond the cost Interconnection Customer would have incurred absent the Transmission Provider's request to reschedule maintenance. Interconnection Customer will not be eligible to receive compensation, if during the twelve (12) months prior to the date of the scheduled maintenance, Interconnection Customer had modified its schedule of maintenance activities.

Costs shall be determined by negotiation between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer prior to implementation of the voluntary change in outage schedules, or if such request is made by or on behalf of a Transmission Customer requesting firm service, costs and recovery of costs shall be determined through a bilateral agreement between the Transmission Customer and Interconnection Customer. Voluntary changes to outage schedules under this Article 9.7.1.2 are separate from actions and compensation required under Article 13 and for which costs

are recovered in accordance with Transmission Provider's applicable tariff or rate schedule.

9.7.1.3 Outage Restoration. If an outage on either the Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities or Distribution Upgrades adversely affects a Party's operations or facilities, the Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns or controls the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Parties, to the extent such information is known, information on the nature of the Emergency Condition, an estimated time of restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice to the other Parties explaining the nature of the outage.

9.7.2 Interruption of Service. If required by Good Utility Practice to do so, Transmission Provider may require Interconnection Customer to interrupt or reduce deliveries of electricity if such delivery of electricity could adversely affect Transmission Provider's ability to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any interruption or reduction permitted under this Article 9.7.2:

9.7.2.1 The interruption or reduction shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;

9.7.2.2 Any such interruption or reduction shall be made on an equitable, non-discriminatory basis with respect to all generating facilities directly connected to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable;

9.7.2.3 When the interruption or reduction must be made under circumstances which do not allow for advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer by telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment, interruption, or reduction, and, if known, its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as practicable;

9.7.2.4 Except during the existence of an Emergency Condition, when the interruption or reduction can be scheduled without advance notice, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and further notify Interconnection Customer of the expected duration. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer using Good Utility Practice to schedule the interruption or reduction during periods

of least impact to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider;

9.7.2.5 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent necessary in order to restore the Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable to their normal operating state, consistent with system conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.7.3 Under-Frequency, Over-Frequency, Under-Voltage, and Over-Voltage Conditions. The Transmission System is designed to automatically activate a load-shed program as required by the Applicable Reliability Council in the event of an under-frequency or under-voltage system disturbance. Interconnection Customer shall implement under-frequency, over-frequency, under-voltage, and over-voltage relay set points for the Generating Facility as required by the Applicable Reliability Council to ensure “ride through” capability of the Transmission System. Generating Facilities that are not required to implement under-frequency, over-frequency, under-voltage, and over-voltage relays as directed by the Applicable Reliability Council shall implement such relays with set points according to guidelines published by the Applicable Reliability Council. Generating Facility response to frequency and/or voltage deviations of pre-determined magnitudes, including under-frequency, over-frequency, under-voltage, and over-voltage, shall be studied and coordinated with Transmission Provider in accordance with Good Utility Practice. The term “ride through” as used herein shall mean the ability of a Generating Facility to stay connected to and synchronized with the Transmission System during system disturbances within a range of under-frequency, over-frequency, under-voltage, and over-voltage conditions, in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

9.7.4 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.7.4.1 System Protection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall, at its expense, install, operate and maintain its System Protection Facilities as a part of the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer’s Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Owner shall install at Interconnection Customer’s expense any Transmission Owner’s System Protection Facilities that may be required on the Transmission Owner’s Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission Owner’s transmission or distribution facilities as a result of the interconnection of the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer’s Interconnection Facilities.

9.7.4.2 Interconnection Customer’s and Transmission Owner’s System Protection Facilities shall be designed and coordinated with Affected Systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

- 9.7.4.3 Each Party shall be responsible for protection of its facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.4 Each Party's protective relay design shall incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of the Generating Facility.
- 9.7.4.5 Each Party will test, operate and maintain their respective System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice.
- 9.7.4.6 Prior to the In-Service Date, and again prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Interconnection Customer or Transmission Owner, or their respective agents, shall perform a complete calibration test and functional trip test of the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, Interconnection Customer or Transmission Owner shall each perform both calibration and functional trip tests of their respective System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service generating unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated.

9.7.5 Requirements for Protection. In compliance with Good Utility Practice, Interconnection Customer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Generating Facility to any short circuit occurring on the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, not otherwise isolated by Transmission Owner's equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be coordinated with the protective requirements of the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable. Such protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with load-interrupting capability located between the Generating Facility and the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of the Parties. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for protection of the Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents, over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-field. Interconnection Customer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Generating Facility and Interconnection Customer's other equipment if conditions on the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, could adversely affect the Generating Facility.

- 9.7.6 Power Quality.** Neither Party's facilities shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, and any applicable superseding electric industry standard, the applicable superseding electric industry standard shall control.
- 9.8 Switching and Tagging Rules.** Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date, each Party shall provide the other Parties a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Parties' activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a non-discriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.
- 9.9 Use of Interconnection Facilities by Other Parties.**
- 9.9.1 Purpose of Interconnection Facilities.** Except as may be required by Applicable Laws and Regulations, or as otherwise agreed to among the Parties, the Interconnection Facilities shall be constructed for the sole purpose of interconnecting the Generating Facility to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, and shall be used for no other purpose.
- 9.9.2 Other Users.** If required by Applicable Laws and Regulations or if the Parties mutually agree, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, to allow one or more Parties to use the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, or any part thereof, Interconnection Customer will be entitled to compensation for the capital expenses it incurred in connection with the Interconnection Facilities based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Owner, all non-Party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually-agreed upon methodology. In addition, cost responsibility for ongoing costs, including operation and maintenance costs associated with the Interconnection Facilities, will be allocated between Interconnection Customer and any non-Party users based upon the pro rata use of the Interconnection Facilities by Transmission Owner, all non-Party users, and Interconnection Customer, in accordance with Applicable Laws and Regulations or upon some other mutually agreed upon methodology. If the issue of such compensation or allocation cannot be resolved through such negotiations, it shall be submitted to Dispute Resolution pursuant to Section 12 of the Tariff.
- 9.10 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.** The Parties will cooperate with one another in the analysis of disturbances to either the Generating Facility or the Transmission System by gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including information from oscillography, protective relay targets, breaker operations and

sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility Practice.

ARTICLE 10. MAINTENANCE

- 10.1 Transmission Owner Obligations.** Transmission Owner shall maintain the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this GIA and all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- 10.2 Interconnection Customer Obligations.** Interconnection Customer shall maintain the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this GIA and all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- 10.3 Coordination.** The Parties shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective maintenance on the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Facilities.
- 10.4 Secondary Systems.** Each Party shall cooperate with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers, batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of a Party's facilities and equipment which may reasonably be expected to impact another Party. Each Party shall provide advance notice to the other Parties before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.
- 10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.** Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing Interconnection Service or Transmission Service to a non-Party and such non-Party pays for such expenses, Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with: (1) owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities; and (2) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities to the extent required by Transmission Owner on a comparable basis.

ARTICLE 11. PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION

- 11.1 Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.** Interconnection Customer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A at its sole expense.

- 11.2 Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities.** Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities described in Appendix A at the sole expense of Interconnection Customer.
- 11.3 Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades.** Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades described in Appendix A. Interconnection Customer shall be responsible for all costs related to Distribution Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades. Transmission Owner shall provide Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer with written notice pursuant to Article 15 if Transmission Owner elects to fund the capital for the Network Upgrades and Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities; otherwise, such facilities, if any, shall be solely funded by Interconnection Customer.
- 11.3.1 Contingencies Affecting Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades.** Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades that are required to accommodate the Generating Facility may be modified because (1) a higher queued interconnection request withdrew or was deemed to have withdrawn, (2) the interconnection agreement associated with a higher queued interconnection request was terminated prior to the project's In-Service Date, (3) the Commercial Operation Date for a higher queued interconnection request is delayed, or the project itself is delayed (including due to suspension) such that facilities required to accommodate lower queued projects or the project itself may be altered, (4) the queue position is reinstated for a higher-queued interconnection request whose queue position was subject to dispute resolution, (5) changes occur in Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner equipment design standards or reliability criteria giving rise to the need for restudy, (6) the facilities required to accommodate a higher queued Interconnection Request were modified constituting a Material Modification pursuant to Section 4.4 of the GIP, (7) a GIA with an effective date prior to this GIA is terminated, or (8) when ordered to restudy by FERC. The higher queued Interconnection Requests that could impact the Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades required to accommodate the Generating Facility, and possible Modifications that may result from the above listed events affecting the higher queued Interconnection Requests, to the extent such modifications are reasonably known and can be determined, and estimates of the costs associated with such required Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and Distribution Upgrades, are provided in Appendix A.
- 11.3.2 Agreement to Restudy and Cost Reallocation.** In the event that one of the contingencies listed in Article 11.3.1 occurs, at any time before the Network Upgrades, Common Use Upgrades, Shared Network Upgrades, System Protection Facilities and/or Distribution Upgrades associated with higher queued Interconnection Requests with GIA in effect prior to this GIA are completed, Transmission Provider may determine, in its discretion, that a restudy is required. If a restudy is required, Transmission Provider will provide notice to

Interconnection Customer and Interconnection Customer agrees to enter into an Interconnection Study Agreement for such restudy. Transmission Provider will reevaluate the need for any Common Use Upgrade(s) and/or Shared Network Upgrade(s), and if still required, reallocate the cost and responsibility for any Common Use Upgrade and/or Shared Network Upgrade, without a restudy when possible, or with a restudy if the Transmission Provider deems it necessary in order to ensure reliability of the Transmission System. The Parties agree to amend Appendix A to this GIA in accordance with Article 30.10 to reflect the results of any cost reallocation required under this Article 11.3.2.

11.3.3 Agreement to Fund Shared Network Upgrades. Interconnection Customer agrees to fund Shared Network Upgrades, as determined by Transmission Provider. Where applicable, payments to fund Shared Network Upgrade(s) that are made to Transmission Provider by Interconnection Customer will be disbursed by Transmission Provider to the appropriate entities that funded the Shared Network Upgrades in accordance with Attachment X and Attachment FF of the Tariff. In the event that Interconnection Customer fails to meet its obligation to fund Shared Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider shall not be responsible for the Interconnection Customer's funding obligation.

11.4 Transmission Credits.

11.4.1 Repayment of Amounts Advanced for Network Upgrades. Interconnection Customer shall be entitled to a cash repayment by Transmission Owner(s) and the Affected System Owner(s) that own the Network Upgrades, of the amount paid respectively to Transmission Owner and Affected System Operator, if any, for the Network Upgrades, as provided under Attachment FF of this Tariff and including any tax gross-up or other tax-related payments associated with the repayable portion of the Network Upgrades, and not repaid to Interconnection Customer pursuant to Article 5.17.8 or otherwise, to be paid to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, as payments are made under the Tariff and Affected System's Tariff for Transmission Services with respect to the Generating Facility. Any repayment shall include interest calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC's regulations at 18 C.F.R. § 35.19 (a)(2)(iii) from the date of any payment for Network Upgrades through the date on which Interconnection Customer receives a repayment of such payment pursuant to this subparagraph. Interest shall not accrue during periods in which Interconnection Customer has suspended construction pursuant to Article 11 or the Network Upgrades have been determined not to be needed pursuant to this Article 11.4.1. Interconnection Customer may assign such repayment rights to any person.

If the Generating Facility is designated a Network Resource under the Tariff, or if there are otherwise no incremental payments for Transmission Service resulting from the use of the Generating Facility by Transmission Customer, and

in the absence of another mutually agreeable payment schedule any repayments provided under Attachment FF shall be established equal to the applicable rate for Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service for the pricing zone where the Network Load is located multiplied by the portion of the demonstrated output of the Generating Facility designated as a Network Resource by the Network Customer(s) or in the absence of such designation, equal to the monthly firm single system-wide rate defined under Schedule 7 of the Tariff multiplied by the portion of the demonstrated output of the Generating Facility under contract to Network Customer(s) and consistent with studies pursuant to Section 3.2.2.2 of the GIP.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, as applicable and consistent with the provisions of Attachment FF of this Tariff, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner, and Affected System Operator may adopt any alternative payment schedule that is mutually agreeable so long as Transmission Owner and Affected System Operator take one of the following actions no later than five (5) years from the Commercial Operation Date: (1) return to Interconnection Customer any amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid, or (2) declare in writing that Transmission Owner or Affected System Operator will continue to provide payments to Interconnection Customer on a dollar-for-dollar basis for the non-usage sensitive portion of transmission charges, or develop an alternative schedule that is mutually agreeable and provides for the return of all amounts advanced for Network Upgrades not previously repaid; however, full reimbursement shall not extend beyond twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

If the Generating Facility is installed in phases, the amount eligible for refund as each phase achieves Commercial Operation will be reduced by the proportional amount of generation capacity not yet installed. However, all facilities in Appendix A other than the Generating Facility shall be built without consideration for the phasing of the Generating Facility as though the entire Generating Facility will be placed in Commercial Operation for the full output or increased output of the Generating Facility constructed by Interconnection Customer under this GIA.

If the Generating Facility fails to achieve Commercial Operation, but it or another generating facility is later constructed and makes use of the Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner and Affected System Operator shall at that time reimburse Interconnection Customer for the remaining applicable amounts that may be refundable pursuant to Attachment FF of this Tariff that were advanced for the Network Upgrades on their respective systems as described above. Before any such reimbursement can occur, Interconnection Customer, or the entity that ultimately constructs the Generating Facility, if different, is responsible for identifying the entity to which the reimbursement must be made.

- 11.4.2 Special Provisions for Transmission Provider as an Affected System to be covered under Separate Agreements.** When the Transmission Owner's Transmission or Distribution System (including for this Article 11.4.2 independent distribution systems connected to the Transmission System) is an Affected System for an interconnection in another electric system, Transmission Provider will coordinate the performance of Interconnection Studies with the other system. Transmission Provider will determine if any Network Upgrades or Distribution Upgrades, which may be required on the Transmission System as a result of the interconnection, would not have been needed but for the interconnection. Unless Transmission Owner provides, under the interconnection agreement between Interconnection Customer and the other system, for the repayment of amounts advanced to Transmission Provider or an impacted Transmission Owner for Network Upgrades, Interconnection Customer, Transmission Provider, and the impacted Transmission Owner(s) shall enter into an agreement that provides for such repayment by Transmission Owner(s) as directed by Transmission Provider. The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by Interconnection Customer to the Affected System Operator as well as the payment of refunds by the Affected System Operator.
- 11.4.3** Notwithstanding any other provision of this GIA, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights, capacity rights, transmission congestion rights, or transmission credits, that Interconnection Customer, shall be entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Network Upgrades, including the right to obtain cash reimbursement or transmission credits for transmission service that is not associated with the Generating Facility.
- 11.5 Initial Payment.** Interconnection Customer shall elect (and provide its election to the Transmission Provider within five days of the commencement of negotiation of the GIA pursuant to Section 11.2 of the GIP) to make either 1) an initial payment equal to twenty (20) percent of the total cost of Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades (if the In-Service Date is less than or equal to five (5) years of the initial payment date); or 2) an initial payment equal to ten (10) percent of the total cost of Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades (if the In-Service Date exceeds the initial payment date by more than five (5) years); or 3) the total cost of Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades in the form of security pursuant to Article 11.6. The initial payment shall be provided to Transmission Owner by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this Article 11.5 within the later of a) forty-five (45) Calendar Days of the execution of the GIA by all Parties, or b) forty-five (45) Calendar Days of acceptance by FERC if the GIA

is filed unexecuted and the payment is being protested by Interconnection Customer, or c) forty-five (45) Calendar Days of the filing if the GIA is filed unexecuted and the initial payment is not being protested by Interconnection Customer. If the Interconnection Customer made its milestone payments in the form of cash and the Interconnection Customer elects a cash initial payment, then the Transmission Provider shall transfer those funds to the Transmission Owner on the Interconnection Customer's behalf.

- 11.6 Provision of Security.** Unless otherwise provided in Appendix B, at least forty-five (45) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of the design, procurement, installation, or construction of a discrete portion of an element, not otherwise funded under Article 11.5, of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades or Stand-Alone Network Upgrades, or at the request of Transmission Owner if regulatory approvals are required for the construction of such facilities, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Owner, at Interconnection Customer's selection, a guarantee, a surety bond, letter of credit or other form of security that is reasonably acceptable to Transmission Owner and is consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1. Such security for payment shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the applicable costs and cost commitments, in addition to those funded under Article 11.5, required of the Party responsible for building the facilities pursuant to the construction schedule developed in Appendix B for designing, engineering, seeking regulatory approval from any Governmental Authority, constructing, procuring and installing the applicable portion of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Network Upgrades, Distribution Upgrades or Stand-Alone Network Upgrades and shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Transmission Owner for these purposes.

In addition:

- 11.6.1** The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the creditworthiness requirements of Transmission Owner, and contain terms and conditions that guarantee payment of any amount that may be due from Interconnection Customer, up to an agreed-to maximum amount.
- 11.6.2** The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- 11.6.3** The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.
- 11.6.4** If the Shared Network Upgrade is not in service, Interconnection Customer will provide, as applicable, an Irrevocable Letter of Credit to fund any Shared Network Upgrade pursuant to Attachment FF of the Tariff. The Irrevocable Letter of Credit shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the Interconnection Customer's share of the applicable costs and cost commitments associated with

the Shared Network Upgrades. Transmission Provider may periodically adjust the Interconnection Customer's share of the applicable costs and cost commitment of Shared Network Upgrades and may require Interconnection Customer to adjust the amount of the Irrevocable Letter of Credit accordingly.

- 11.7 Interconnection Customer Compensation.** If Transmission Provider requests or directs Interconnection Customer to provide a service pursuant to Article 13.4 of this GIA, Transmission Provider shall compensate Interconnection Customer in accordance with any tariff or rate schedule filed by Transmission Provider and approved by the FERC.

ARTICLE 12. INVOICE

- 12.1 General.** Each Party shall submit to the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due, if any, for the preceding month. Each invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and equipment provided. The Parties may discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts a Party owes to the other Party under this GIA, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.
- 12.2 Final Invoice.** Within six (6) months after completion of the construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and the Network Upgrades, Transmission Owner shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and the Network Upgrades and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail to enable Interconnection Customer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Transmission Owner shall refund, with interest (calculated in accordance with 18 C.F.R. Section 35.19a(a)(2)(iii)), to Interconnection Customer any amount by which the actual payment by Interconnection Customer for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the issuance of such final construction invoice.
- 12.3 Payment.** Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party, or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of invoices by a Party will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims that Party may have under this GIA.
- 12.4 Disputes.** In the event of a billing dispute among the Parties, Transmission Provider shall continue to provide Interconnection Service under this GIA as long as Interconnection Customer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner or into an independent escrow account the portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Interconnection Customer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of

service, then Transmission Provider may or, at Transmission Owner's request upon Interconnection Customer's failure to pay, Transmission Owner, shall provide notice to Interconnection Customer of a Default pursuant to Article 17. Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to another Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in 18 C.F.R. § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 13. EMERGENCIES

- 13.1 Obligations.** Each Party shall comply with the Emergency Condition procedures of Transmission Provider, NERC, the Applicable Reliability Council, and Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- 13.2 Notice.** Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall notify the other Parties promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities or the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, that may reasonably be expected to affect Interconnection Customer's operation of the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities.

Interconnection Customer shall notify Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner, which includes by definition if applicable, the operator of a Distribution System, promptly when it becomes aware of an Emergency Condition that affects the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities that may reasonably be expected to affect the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, or the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities.

To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency Condition, the extent of the damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Interconnection Customer's or Transmission Provider's or Transmission Owner's facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as practicable with written notice.

- 13.3 Immediate Action.** Unless, in a Party's reasonable judgment, immediate action is required, the Party exercising such judgment shall notify and obtain the consent of the other Parties, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities in response to an Emergency Condition either declared by Transmission Provider or otherwise regarding the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable.
- 13.4 Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner Authority.**
- 13.4.1 General.** Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Transmission System or the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities it deems necessary during an Emergency

Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Transmission System or the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service.

Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner may, on the basis of technical considerations, require the Generating Facility to mitigate an Emergency Condition by taking actions necessary and limited in scope to remedy the Emergency Condition, including, but not limited to, directing Interconnection Customer to shut-down, start-up, increase or decrease the real or reactive power output of the Generating Facility; implementing a reduction or disconnection pursuant to Article 13.4.2; directing Interconnection Customer to assist with blackstart (if available) or restoration efforts; or altering the outage schedules of the Generating Facility and the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities. Interconnection Customer shall comply with all of Transmission Provider's or Transmission Owner's operating instructions concerning Generating Facility real power and reactive power output within the manufacturer's design limitations of the Generating Facility's equipment that is in service and physically available for operation at the time, in compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations.

13.4.2 Reduction and Disconnection. Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner may reduce Interconnection Service or disconnect the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities, when such reduction or disconnection is necessary under Good Utility Practice due to Emergency Conditions. These rights are separate and distinct from any right of curtailment of Transmission Provider pursuant to the Tariff. When Transmission Provider can schedule the reduction or disconnection in advance, Transmission Provider shall notify Interconnection Customer of the reasons, timing and expected duration of the reduction or disconnection. Transmission Provider shall coordinate with Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner using Good Utility Practice to schedule the reduction or disconnection during periods of least impact to Interconnection Customer, Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider. Any reduction or disconnection shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary pursuant to Good Utility Practice. The Parties shall cooperate with each other to restore the Generating Facility, the Interconnection Facilities, and the Transmission System to their normal operating state as soon as practicable consistent with Good Utility Practice.

13.5 Interconnection Customer Authority. Consistent with Good Utility Practice and this GIA and the GIP, Interconnection Customer may take whatever actions or inactions with regard to the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities during an Emergency Condition in order to (i) preserve public health and safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the Generating Facility or the Interconnection

Customer's Interconnection Facilities, (iii) limit or prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Interconnection Customer shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect of such actions or inactions on the Transmission System and the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities. Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist Interconnection Customer in such actions.

- 13.6 Limited Liability.** Except as otherwise provided in Article 11.6 of this GIA, no Party shall be liable to any other for any action it takes in responding to an Emergency Condition so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice.
- 13.7 Audit.** In accordance with Article 25.3, any Party may audit the performance of another Party when that Party declared an Emergency Condition.

ARTICLE 14. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND GOVERNING LAW

- 14.1 Regulatory Requirements.** Each Party's obligations under this GIA shall be subject to its receipt of any required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek, and if necessary assist the other Party and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain such other approvals. Nothing in this GIA shall require Interconnection Customer to take any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the Federal Power Act, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, as amended, or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

14.2 Governing Law.

- 14.2.1** The validity, interpretation and performance of this GIA and each of its provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state where the Point of Interconnection is located, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.
- 14.2.2** This GIA is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.
- 14.2.3** Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

ARTICLE 15. NOTICES

- 15.1 General.** Unless otherwise provided in this GIA, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by any Party to the other Parties and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to the other Parties shall be effective when delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with

postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the address set out in Appendix F, Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings.

Either Party may change the notice information in this GIA by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments. Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by any Party to the other and not required by this GIA to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice. Each Party shall notify the other Parties in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10.

ARTICLE 16. FORCE MAJEURE

16.1 Force Majeure.

16.1.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

16.1.2 A Party shall not be considered to be in Default with respect to any obligation hereunder, (including obligations under Article 4 and 5), other than the obligation to pay money when due, if prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Parties in writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied upon. Telephone, facsimile or email notices given pursuant to this Article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to cease. The Party affected shall exercise Reasonable Efforts to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

ARTICLE 17. DEFAULT

17.1 Default

17.1.1 General. No Default shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this GIA or the result of an act or omission of another Party. Upon a Breach, the non-Breaching Party or Parties shall give written notice of such Breach to the Breaching Party with a copy to the other Party if one Party gives notice of such Breach. Except as provided in Article 17.1.2, the Breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days from receipt of the Breach notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the Breaching Party shall commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Breach notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.1.2 Termination. If a Breach is not cured as provided in this Article, or if a Breach is not capable of being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-Breaching Party or Parties shall terminate this GIA, subject to Article 2.3.2 of this GIA, by written notice to the Breaching Party, with a copy to the other Party if one Party gives notice of termination, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not that Party(ies) terminates this GIA, to recover from the Breaching Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which it is (they are) entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this Article will survive termination of this GIA.

ARTICLE 18. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, INDEMNITY, CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND INSURANCE

18.1 Limitation of Liability. A Party shall not be liable to another Party or to any third party or other person for any damages arising out of actions under this GIA, including, but not limited to, any act or omission that results in an interruption, deficiency or imperfection of Interconnection Service, except as provided in this Tariff. The provisions set forth in the Tariff shall be additionally applicable to any Party acting in good faith to implement or comply with its obligations under this GIA, regardless of whether the obligation is preceded by a specific directive.

18.2 Indemnity. To the extent permitted by law, an Indemnifying Party shall at all times indemnify, defend and hold the other Parties harmless from Loss.

18.2.1 Indemnified Party. If an Indemnified Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a non-Party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.2, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Party may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.2.2 Indemnifying Party. If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Party harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Party shall be the amount of such Indemnified Party's actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.2.3 Indemnity Procedures. Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in Article 18.2 may apply, the Indemnified Party shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party's indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

The Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Parties and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Party reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Parties which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Party shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Party or Indemnified Parties having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Party shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Party and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Party, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Party, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Party, which shall not be reasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

18.3 Consequential Damages. Other than the Liquidated Damages heretofore described, in no event shall either Party be liable under any provision of this GIA for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including negligence, strict liability, or any other

theory of liability; provided; however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to the other Party under another agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

- 18.4 Insurance.** Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall, at their own expense, maintain in force throughout the period of this GIA pursuant to 18.4.9, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers authorized to do business or an approved surplus lines carrier in the state where the Point of Interconnection is located:
- 18.4.1** Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Interconnection is located.
 - 18.4.2** Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence/One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
 - 18.4.3** Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance, for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers licensed for travel on public roads, with a minimum combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) each occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
 - 18.4.4** Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employer's Liability, Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) aggregate.
 - 18.4.5** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Parties, their parents, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this GIA against the Other Party Groups and provide thirty (30) Calendar Days' advance written notice to the Other Party Groups prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.

- 18.4.6** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.
- 18.4.7** The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis, shall be maintained in full force and effect for two (2) years after termination of this GIA, which coverage may be in the form of tail coverage or extended reporting period coverage if agreed by Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer.
- 18.4.8** The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer under this GIA.
- 18.4.9** As of the date set forth in Appendix B, Milestones, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) Calendar Days thereafter, Interconnection Customer and Transmission Owner shall provide the other Party with certification of all insurance required in this GIA, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- 18.4.10** Notwithstanding the foregoing, Transmission Owner or Interconnection Customer may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.4.1 through 18.4.8, to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, Transmission Owner's or Interconnection Customer's senior secured debt is rated at investment grade, or better, by Standard & Poor's and that its self-insurance program meets minimum insurance requirements under Articles 18.4.1 through 18.4.8. For any period of time that a Transmission Owner's or Interconnection Customer's senior secured debt is unrated by Standard & Poor's or is rated at less than investment grade by Standard & Poor's, such Party shall comply with the insurance requirements applicable to it under Articles 18.4.1 through 18.4.9. In the event that Transmission Owner or Interconnection Customer is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this article, it shall notify the other Party that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the

minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Article 18.4.9.

- 18.4.11** Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this GIA.

ARTICLE 19. ASSIGNMENT

- 19.1 Assignment.** This GIA may be assigned by any Party only with the written consent of the other Parties; provided that a Party may assign this GIA without the consent of the other Parties to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this GIA; and provided further that Interconnection Customer shall have the right to assign this GIA, without the consent of either Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner, for collateral security purposes to aid in providing financing for the Generating Facility, provided that Interconnection Customer will promptly notify Transmission Provider of any such assignment. Any financing arrangement entered into by Interconnection Customer pursuant to this Article will provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party's, trustee's or mortgagee's assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee will notify Transmission Provider of the date and particulars of any such exercise of assignment right(s), including providing Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner with proof that it meets the requirements of Article 11.5 and 18.4. Any attempted assignment that violates this Article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this GIA shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party's obligations be enlarged, in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

ARTICLE 20. SEVERABILITY

- 20.1 Severability.** If any provision in this GIA is finally determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this GIA; provided that if Interconnection Customer (or any non-Party, but only if such non-Party is not acting at the direction of either Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner) seeks and obtains such a final determination with respect to any provision of the Alternate Option (Article 5.1.2), or the Negotiated Option (Article 5.1.4), then none of these provisions shall thereafter have any force or effect and the Parties' rights and obligations shall be governed solely by the Standard Option (Article 5.1.1).

ARTICLE 21. COMPARABILITY

- 21.1 Comparability.** The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations including such laws, rules and regulations of

Governmental Authorities establishing standards of conduct, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

22.1 Confidentiality. Confidential Information shall include, without limitation, all information relating to a Party's technology, research and development, business affairs, and pricing, and any information supplied by a Party to another Party prior to the execution of this GIA.

Information is Confidential Information only if it is clearly designated or marked in writing as confidential on the face of the document, or, if the information is conveyed orally or by inspection, if the Party providing the information orally informs the Party receiving the information that the information is confidential. The Parties shall maintain as confidential any information that is provided and identified by a Party as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII), as that term is defined in 18 C.F.R. Section 388.113(c). Such confidentiality will be maintained in accordance with this Article 22.

If requested by the receiving Party, the disclosing Party shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.1.1 Term. During the term of this GIA, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this GIA, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22 or with regard to CEII, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information. CEII shall be treated in accordance with Commission policy and regulations.

22.1.2 Scope. Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party without restriction by a non-Party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential; (4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this GIA; or (6) is required, in accordance with Article 22.1.7 of this GIA, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this GIA. Information designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed

confidential if the Party that designated the information as confidential notifies the receiving Party that it no longer is confidential.

- 22.1.3 Release of Confidential Information.** No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to its Affiliates (limited by the Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees, agents, consultants, or to non-parties who may be or are considering providing financing to or equity participation with Interconnection Customer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of Interconnection Customer, on a need-to-know basis in connection with this GIA, unless such person has first been advised of the confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this Article 22.
- 22.1.4 Rights.** Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that it discloses to the receiving Party. The disclosure by a Party to the receiving Party of Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by the disclosing Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.
- 22.1.5 No Warranties.** By providing Confidential Information, no Party makes any warranties or representations as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, no Party obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to another Party nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint venture.
- 22.1.6 Standard of Care.** Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to another Party under this GIA or its regulatory requirements.
- 22.1.7 Order of Disclosure.** If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories, requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential Information, that Party shall provide the disclosing Party with prompt notice of such request(s) or requirement(s) so that the disclosing Party may seek an appropriate protective order or waive compliance with the terms of this GIA. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential Information so furnished.

- 22.1.8 Termination of Agreement.** Upon termination of this GIA for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10) Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from another Party, use Reasonable Efforts to destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the requesting Party) or return to the requesting Party, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written or electronic Confidential Information received from the requesting Party, except that each Party may keep one copy for archival purposes, provided that the obligation to treat it as Confidential Information in accordance with this Article 22 shall survive such termination.
- 22.1.9 Remedies.** The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for another Party's Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the receiving Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the Breaching Party shall not plead in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this Article 22.
- 22.1.10 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff or a State.** Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 CFR § 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests information from a Party that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence pursuant to this GIA, the Party shall provide the requested information to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 CFR § 388.112, request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying the other Parties to this GIA prior to the release of the Confidential Information to FERC or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to this GIA when it is notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received by FERC, at which time any of the Parties may respond before such information would be made public, pursuant to 18 CFR § 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable state rules and regulations.
- 22.1.11** Subject to the exception in Article 22.1.10, any information that a disclosing Party claims is competitively sensitive, commercial or financial information

under this GIA shall not be disclosed by the receiving Party to any person not employed or retained by the receiving Party, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the receiving Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the disclosing Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its obligations under this GIA or as the Regional Transmission Organization or a Local Balancing Authority operator including disclosing the Confidential Information to a regional or national reliability organization. The Party asserting confidentiality shall notify the receiving Party in writing of the information that Party claims is confidential. Prior to any disclosures of that Party's Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any non-Party or Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in this subparagraph, the Party who received the Confidential Information from the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the disclosing Party in writing and agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the disclosing Party in seeking to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 23. ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASES

- 23.1** Each Party shall notify the other Parties, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Generating Facility or the Interconnection Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect another Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Parties copies of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such events.

ARTICLE 24. INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

- 24.1 Information Acquisition.** Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to each other as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.
- 24.2 Information Submission by Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner.** The initial information submission by Transmission Provider to Interconnection Customer, with copy provided to Transmission Owner, shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation and shall include Transmission or Distribution System information, as applicable and available, necessary to allow Interconnection Customer to select equipment and meet any system protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. On a monthly

basis, Transmission Owner shall provide Interconnection Customer a status report on the construction and installation of Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Network Upgrades, including, but not limited to, the following information: (1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission by Interconnection Customer. The updated information submission by Interconnection Customer to Transmission Provider, with copy to Transmission Owner, including manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to the Trial Operation. Interconnection Customer shall submit to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner a completed copy of the Generating Facility data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the GIP. It shall also include any additional information provided to Transmission Provider for the Interconnection Facilities Study. Information in this submission shall be the most current Generating Facility design or expected performance data. Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with Transmission Provider standard models. If there is no compatible model, Interconnection Customer will work with a consultant mutually agreed to by Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If the Interconnection Customer's data is materially different from what was originally provided to Transmission Provider pursuant to the Interconnection Study Agreement between Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer, then Transmission Provider will conduct appropriate studies to determine the impact on the Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. Interconnection Customer shall not begin Trial Operation until such studies are completed.

24.4 Information Supplementation. Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, the Parties shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all "as-built" Generating Facility information or "as-tested" performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. Interconnection Customer shall conduct tests on the Generating Facility as required by Good Utility Practice, such as an open circuit "step voltage" test on the Generating Facility to verify proper operation of the Generating Facility's automatic voltage regulator.

Unless otherwise agreed, the test conditions shall include: (1) Generating Facility at synchronous speed; (2) automatic voltage regulator on and in voltage control mode; and (3) a five percent (5 %) change in Generating Facility terminal voltage initiated by a change in the voltage regulators reference voltage. Interconnection Customer shall provide validated test recordings showing the responses in Generating Facility terminal and field voltages. In the event that direct recordings of these voltages is impractical, recordings of other voltages or currents that mirror the response of the Generating Facility's terminal or field voltage are acceptable if information necessary to translate

these alternate quantities to actual Generating Facility terminal or field voltages is provided. Generating Facility testing shall be conducted and results provided to Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner for each individual generating unit in a station.

Subsequent to the Commercial Operation Date, Interconnection Customer shall provide Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Transmission Owner shall provide Interconnection Customer, with copy to Transmission Provider, any information changes due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly connected substation or any adjacent Transmission Owner substation that may affect the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The Parties shall provide such information no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or adjustment.

ARTICLE 25. INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

- 25.1 Information Access.** Each Party (the “disclosing Party”) shall make available to the other Parties information that is in the possession of the disclosing Party and is necessary in order for the other Parties to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the disclosing Party for which another Party is responsible under this GIA; and (ii) carry out its obligations and responsibilities under this GIA. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 and to enforce their rights under this GIA.
- 25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.** A Party (the “notifying Party”) shall notify the other Parties when the notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this GIA for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this Article shall not entitle any Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this GIA.
- 25.3 Audit Rights.** Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this GIA, each Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to the other Parties, to audit at its own expense the other Parties' accounts and records pertaining to the Parties' performance or the Parties' satisfaction of obligations under this GIA. Such audit rights shall include audits of the other Parties' costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, the Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for the provision of reactive support to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, the Transmission Provider's efforts to allocate responsibility for interruption or reduction of generation, and each Party's actions in an Emergency Condition. Any audit authorized by this Article shall be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to each Party's performance and satisfaction of

obligations under this GIA. Each Party shall keep such accounts and records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities, Transmission Owner's System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades and Network Upgrades shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months following Transmission Owner's issuance of a final invoice in accordance with Article 12.2.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records. Accounts and records related to a Party's performance or satisfaction of all obligations under this GIA other than those described in Article 25.4.1 shall be subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four (24) months after the auditing Party's receipt of an invoice giving rise to such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit rights period shall be twenty-four (24) months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results. If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the Party or from whom the overpayment or underpayment is owed together with those records from the audit which support such determination.

ARTICLE 26. SUBCONTRACTORS

26.1 General. Nothing in this GIA shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this GIA; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this GIA in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal. The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its obligations under this GIA. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been made; provided, however, that in no event shall Transmission Provider or Transmission Owner be liable for the actions or inactions of Interconnection Customer or its subcontractors with respect to obligations of Interconnection Customer under Article 5 of this GIA. Any applicable obligation imposed by this GIA upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

- 26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.** The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor's insurance.

ARTICLE 27. DISPUTES

- 27.1 Submission.** In the event any Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection with this GIA or its performance, such Party (the "disputing Party") shall provide the other Parties with written notice of the dispute or claim ("Notice of Dispute"). Such dispute or claim shall be referred to a designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the non-disputing Parties. In the event the designated representatives are unable to resolve the claim or dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the non-disputing Parties' receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such claim or dispute shall be submitted for resolution in accordance with the dispute resolution procedures of the Tariff.

ARTICLE 28. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

- 28.1 General.** Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:
- 28.1.1 Good Standing.** Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do business in the state or states in which the Generating Facility, Interconnection Facilities and Network Upgrades owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this GIA and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this GIA.
- 28.1.2 Authority.** Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this GIA, to become a Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This GIA is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).
- 28.1.3 No Conflict.** The execution, delivery and performance of this GIA does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval. Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this GIA will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this GIA, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this GIA that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations.

ARTICLE 29. {RESERVED}

ARTICLE 30. MISCELLANEOUS

30.1 Binding Effect. This GIA and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto.

30.1.1 Reversion. If offered pursuant to an Agency Agreement under which this GIA is executed by Transmission Provider as agent for the relevant Transmission Owner, in the event that the relevant Agency Agreement terminates, any HVDC Service offered by Transmission Provider under this GIA shall revert to the relevant Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider shall be released from all obligations and responsibilities under this GIA.

30.2 Conflicts. In the event of a conflict between the body of this GIA and any attachment, appendices or exhibits hereto, the terms and provisions of the body of this GIA shall prevail and be deemed the final intent of the Parties.

30.3 Rules of Interpretation. This GIA, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2) reference to any person includes such person's successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party, only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this GIA, and reference to a person in a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to any agreement (including this GIA), document, instrument or tariff means such agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this GIA or such Appendix to this GIA, or such Section to the GIP or such Appendix to the GIP, as the case may be; (6) "hereunder", "hereof", "herein", "hereto" and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this GIA as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision hereof or thereof; (7) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the determination of any period of time, "from" means "from and including", "to" means "to but excluding" and "through" means "through and including."

30.4 Entire Agreement. This GIA, including all Appendices and attachments hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this GIA. There are no other agreements, representations, warranties, or covenants, which constitute any part of the consideration for, or any condition to, any Party's compliance with its obligations under this GIA.

30.5 No Third Party Beneficiaries. This GIA is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and, where permitted, their assigns.

30.6 Waiver. The failure of a Party to this GIA to insist, on any occasion, upon strict performance of any provision of this GIA will not be considered a waiver of any obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party.

Any waiver at any time by any Party of its rights with respect to this GIA shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this GIA. Termination or Default of this GIA for any reason by Interconnection Customer shall not constitute a waiver of the Interconnection Customer's legal rights to obtain Interconnection Service from Transmission Provider. Any waiver of this GIA shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

30.7 Headings. The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this GIA have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this GIA.

30.8 Multiple Counterparts. This GIA may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

30.9 Amendment. The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this GIA by a written instrument duly executed by all of the Parties.

30.10 Modification by the Parties. The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this GIA by a written instrument duly executed by all of the Parties. Such amendment shall become effective and a part of this GIA upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

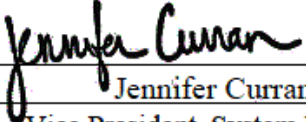
30.11 Reservation of Rights. Transmission Provider shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this GIA with respect to any rates, terms and conditions, charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under Section 205 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, and Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer shall have the right

to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this GIA pursuant to Section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to protest any such filing and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this GIA shall limit the rights of the Parties or of FERC under Sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC's rules and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

30.12 No Partnership. This GIA shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, agency relationship, or partnership among or between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or partnership liability upon any Party. No Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this GIA in multiple originals; each of which shall constitute and be an original GIA among the Parties.

Transmission Provider
Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

By:  AAR 2/19/2021
Name: Jennifer Curran
Title: Vice President, System Planning & Chief Compliance Officer

Transmission Owner
Big Rivers Electric Corporation

By: _____
Name: Robert W Berry
Title: President & CEO

Interconnection Customer
Clover Creek Solar Project LLC

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

APPENDICES TO GIA

Appendix A Interconnection Facilities, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades and Network Upgrades

Appendix B Milestones

Appendix B-1 Pre-Certification Generation Test Notification Form

Appendix C Interconnection Details

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Appendix I Requirements Applicable to Net Zero Interconnection Service

Appendix A To GIA

Interconnection Facilities, System Protection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, Generator Upgrades and Network Upgrades

1. Description of Generating Facility

Interconnection Customer shall install a 105 MVA facility, rated at 101.2 MW gross and 100 MW net, with all studies performed at or below these outputs. The Generating Facility is composed of twenty-five (25) GE 4.2MVA inverters. Interconnection Service provided under this agreement is 100 MW of conditional ERIS that will become 100 MW of ERIS and/or NRIS upon completion of all Network Upgrades under this GIA and transmission assumptions listed in table 1 of Exhibit A10.

Interconnection Customer shall install a switchyard with the appropriate protection equipment coordinated per Appendix C to this GIA. The Switchyard shall contain one (1) generator step-up transformer 64/84/105 MVA, Z=7.5%, one (1) 161 kV circuit breaker connected in series fashion as described in Exhibit A1.

2. Interconnection Facilities:

- (a) **Point of Interconnection.** The Point of Interconnection shall be at the point within the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Substation where the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities connect to the Transmission Owner's Hardinsburg substation 161 kV ring bus. The Point of Change of Ownership will be at the terminal pad connection of the Interconnection Customer's line conductor at the 161 kV line terminal structure. The Metering Point will be at the 161 kV terminal within the Transmission Owner's interconnection substation, compensated to the Point of Interconnection.
- (b) **Interconnection Facilities (including metering equipment) to be constructed by Interconnection Customer.** Interconnection Customer shall construct the Interconnection Customer Interconnection Facilities as are detailed in Exhibit A1.
- 161 kV generator lead line, approximately 1 mile 477 kcmil ACSR with a 12 fiber minimum (number to be finalized with Transmission Owner during detailed design) OPGW to provide protection and data communications between the Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities and the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities
 - Project substation including one set 161kV line circuit breaker and associated line Surge Arrestor and disconnect switch, one main power transformer, 4 medium voltage feeder circuit breakers and associated disconnect switches and the associated auxiliary systems, instrument transformers and electric relay protection
 - The IC substation will include a PV SCADA system and a data concentrator as required to manage the PV project and to send the required status and output data to the Transmission Owner and the ISO

- (c) **Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities (including metering equipment) to be constructed by Transmission Owner.** The Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities shall consist of one 161 kV terminal at the Hardinsburg substation. The terminal will consist of all necessary terminal equipment to connect the J753 conductors to the Hardinsburg substation ring bus. See Exhibit A2.

Transmission Owner will provide an acceptable line terminal, to which the line conductor, and OPGW will attach.

Major Items:

1. One (1) 161 kV Disconnect Switches, 2000A
2. Three (3) 161 kV Surge Arresters
3. Three (3) 161 kV metering accuracy Potential/Voltage Transformers
4. Three (3) 161 kV metering accuracy Current Transformers
5. One (1) Line Relay panel (SEL relays)
6. One Fiber Patch Panel Housing, fiber splice box and fiber termination in control house
7. Revenue Metering
8. Bus and Fittings: five inch aluminum tube and portions of 795 AAC (2) wire conductor with aluminum bus connectors, fittings, and terminals
9. Insulators: High strength porcelain station post insulators
10. Foundations: Designed per Transmission Owner standard design criteria
11. Structures: Hot dipped galvanized Steel tapered tube style

The cost estimate of the Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities is \$200,000 in 2018 dollars.

3. Network Upgrades:

- (a) **Stand-Alone Network Upgrades to be installed by Transmission Owner**
None.
- (b) **Network Upgrades to be installed by Transmission Owner.** None.
- (c) **Shared Network Upgrade(s) to be funded by Interconnection Customer.**
None.

4. System Protection Facilities

- (a) **System Protection Facilities not listed in Section 2 or 3 to be constructed by Interconnection Customer.** None.

(b) **System Protection Facilities not listed in 2 or 3 to be constructed by Transmission Owner.** None.

5. Distribution Upgrades:

(a) **Distribution Upgrades to be constructed by Transmission Owner** None.

6. Contingency List. See Appendix A10.

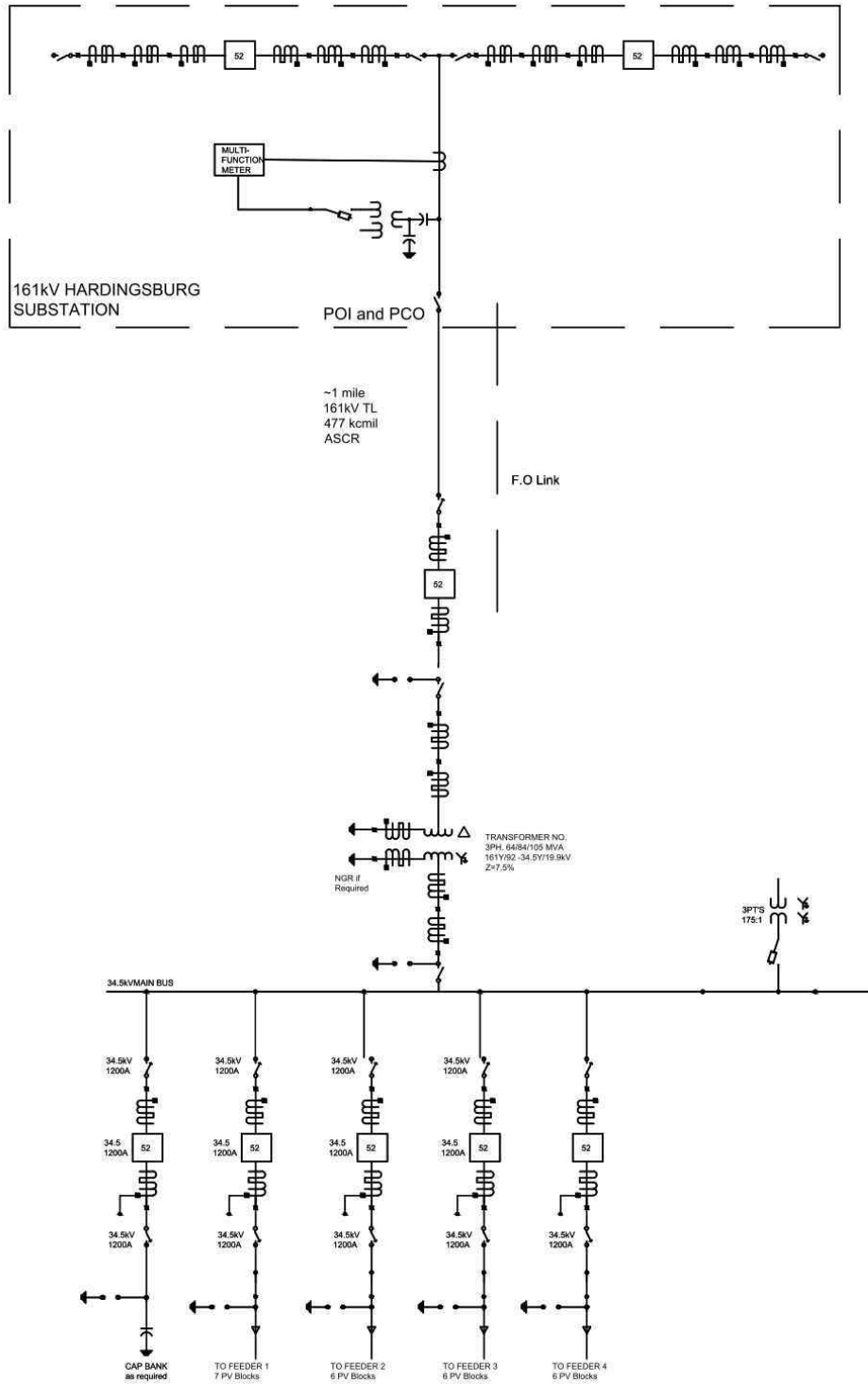
7. Affected System Upgrades List Interconnection Customer is responsible to enter into Facilities Construction Agreements and/or Multi-Party Facilities Construction Agreement with Affected System Owner for the following upgrades:

- New Hardinsburg – Hardinsburg 138 kV

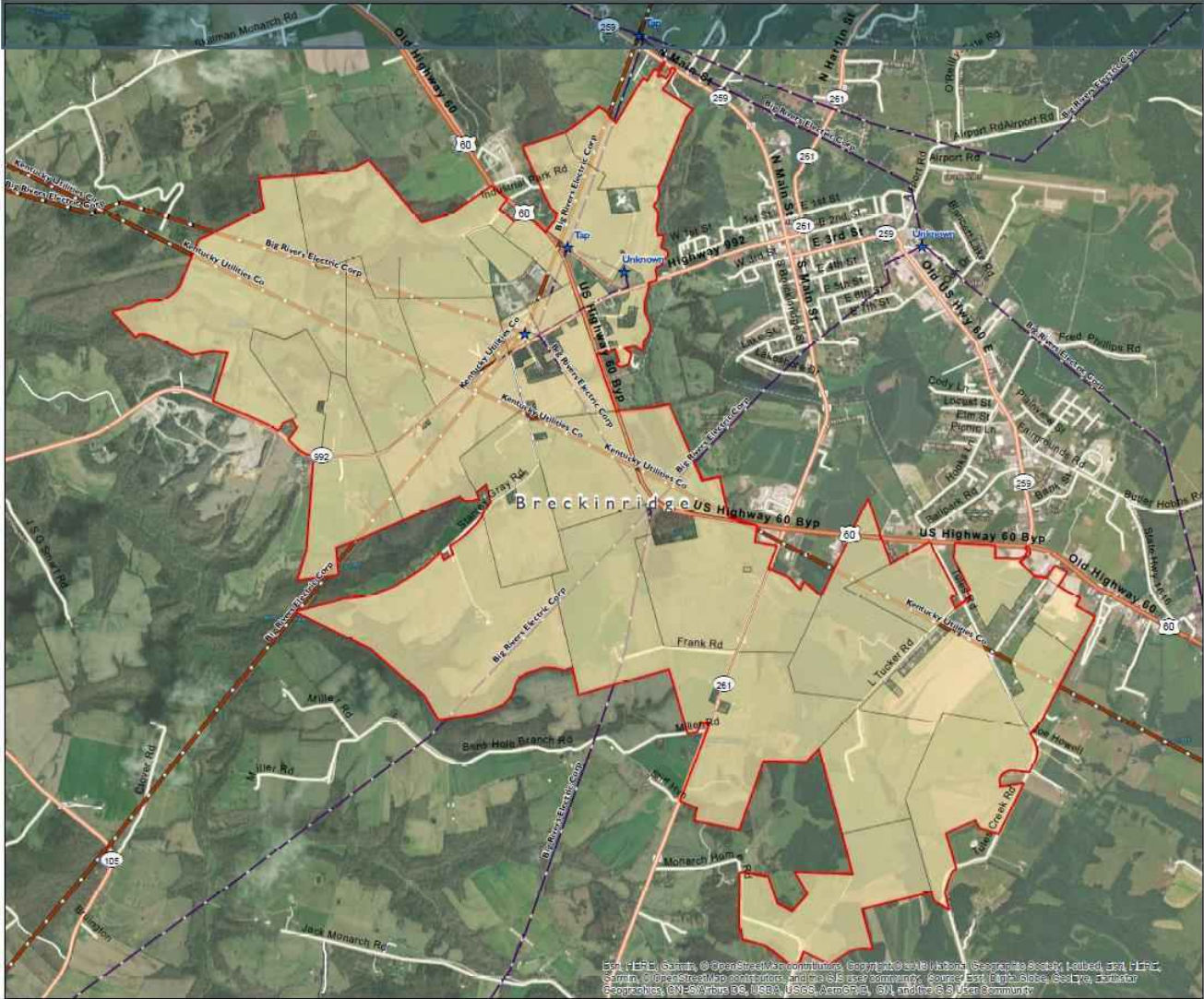
8. Exhibits – The following exhibits are included:

- A1 Interconnection Customer One-Line & Site-Map
 - A1-1: Interconnection Customer One-Line Diagram
 - A1-2: Interconnection Project Site Map
- A2 Transmission Owner One-Line
- A3 Transmission Owner Substation General Arrangement
- A4 Reserved
- A5 Facilities to be Constructed by Transmission Owner
- A6 Detailed Cost of Facilities to be Constructed by Transmission Owner
- A7 Facilities to be Constructed by Interconnection Customer
- A8 Detailed Cost of Facilities to be Constructed by Customer
- A9 Facilities that are Subject To Transmission Owner Reimbursement
- A10 Contingent Facilities
- A11 Interconnection Customer Milestones
- A12 Construction & Coordination Schedules
- A13 Permits, Licenses, Regulatory Approvals and Authorization
- A14 Interconnection and Operating Guidelines

Exhibit A1. Interconnection Customer One-Line and Site Map A1-1: Interconnection Customer One-Line Diagram

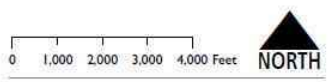


A1-2: Interconnection Project Site Map



Breckinridge Co.
Kentucky

- ★ Point of Interconnection (POI)
- Transmission Lines (kV)
 - Under 100
 - 100-161
- Parcel
- Boundaries
- Area of Land Acquisition
- County Boundary



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Exhibit A2: Transmission Owner One Line

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Exhibit A3: Transmission Owner Substation General Arrangement



Exhibit A4: {Reserved}

Exhibit A5. Facilities to be Constructed by Transmission Owner

Description of Upgrade	Upgrade Classification	Estimated Cost*
Construct Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities at the J753 Interconnection Substation	Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities	\$200,000
Total cost		\$ 200,000

* Estimated costs are in 2018 dollars, do not include tax gross-up or escalation, and are accurate to $\pm 20\%$.

**Exhibit A6. Detailed Cost of Facilities to be Constructed
by Transmission Owner**

Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities*

Engineering, Drafting, & Project Management	\$ 30,000
Materials	\$ 85,000
Construction & Construction Oversight	\$ 65,000
Indirect Overheads	\$ 20,000
Total	\$ 200,000

Estimated costs are in 2018 dollars, do not include tax gross-up or escalation, and are accurate to $\pm 20\%$.

Exhibit A7. Facilities to be Constructed by Interconnection Customer

None.

Exhibit A8. Detailed Cost of Facilities to be Constructed by Customer

None.

Exhibit A9. Facilities that are Subject To Transmission Owner Reimbursement

None.

Exhibit A10. Contingent Facilities

Higher queue and/or same DPP group study Interconnection Requests that may create contingencies pursuant to Article 11.3.1 are listed in tables below. Table A10-1 describes transmission assumptions modeled in the studies that were deemed necessary to allow for the Interconnection Service as described in Appendix A of this GIA and is not related to Article 11.3.1, i.e., does not describe projects associated with a higher queued and/or same DPP group study Interconnection Request. Nevertheless, if the transmission assumptions are not completed or significantly modified, the Interconnection Service granted under this GIA may be restricted until such time as the Interconnection Customer funds a study to determine the applicable ERIS and NRIS level that results due to the changes in Table 1.

The list of higher-queued and/or same DPP group study projects in Tables A10-2 and A10-3, not yet in service, were included in the interconnection study for queue project J753. However, a project's inclusion in the System Impact Study does not necessarily mean that these facilities would be contingencies for the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility. In the event that any of the higher queued and/or same DPP group study generators were to drop out, then the Interconnection Customer may be subject to restudy pursuant to Article 11.3.2.

Table 10-1 Transmission Assumptions

None.

Table 10-2 Higher Queued Projects for J753

MISO Higher Queued Project #	Service Type	TO	County	State	Point Of Interconnection	Pmax (MW)	Fuel Type	Status
J446	NRIS	Duke Energy Corporation	Clinton County	IN	Frankfort-New London 230 kV	145	Wind	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J456	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	McDonough County	IL	138 kV Niota-Macomb Northeast Line just south of Sciota, IL	150	Wind	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J474	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	DeWitt County	IL	New 138 kV Tabor substation	144	Wind	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J513	NRIS	Northern Indiana Public Service Company	White County	IN	255173(17REYN OLDS)	100.05	Wind	DPP-2016-AUG-Central

J641	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	Morgan County, Scott County	IL	Line tap of Meredoisa sub to Jacksonville Industrial Park 138kv	140	Solar	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J643	NRIS	Northern Indiana Public Service Company	Jasper County	IN	Schahfer Tap (17 SCHAFR_TAP)1 38kv	175	Solar	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J644	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	Greene County, Scott County	IL	Jerseyville 138kV	110	Solar	DPP-2016-AUG-Central
J648	External NRIS	Commonwealth Edison Company	Cook County	IL	Existing Interconnection in SCEP switchyard at 138kV	296	Gas	DPP-2016-AUG-Central

Table 10-3 Similar Queued Projects for J753

MISO Similar Queued Project #	Service Type	TO	County	State	Point Of Interconnection	Pmax (MW)	Fuel Type	Status
J708	NRIS	Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Company d/b/a Vectren Energy Delivery of Indiana, Inc.	Posey County	IN	AB Brown 138 kV sub	847	Combined Cycle	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J734	NRIS Only	Ameren Illinois	Ford County	IL	Gibson City South Substation	57.1	Gas	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J740	NRIS	Northern Indiana Public Service Company	Jasper County, Pulaski County	IN	Reynold 345kV substation	200	Wind	DPP-2017-FEB-Central - Withdrawn

J754	NRIS	Duke Energy Corporation	Montgomery County	IN	Cayuga - Nucor 345kV	303.6	Wind	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J756	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	Logan County	IL	Mason City to Fogarty 138kV	202.4	Wind	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J757	NRIS	Ameren Illinois	Morgan County, Sangamon County	IL	Austin-Meredosia 345kV line	303.6	Wind	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J759	NRIS	Hoosier Energy REC, Inc.	Spencer County	IN	Troy 161kV Sub	70	Solar	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J762	NRIS	Big Rivers Electric Corporation	Meade County	KY	Meade Sub 161kV	200	Solar	DPP-2017-FEB-Central
J783	NRIS	Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Company d/b/a Vectren Energy Delivery of Indiana, Inc.	Spencer County	IN	Grandview Sub	70	Solar	DPP-2017-FEB-Central

Exhibit A11. Interconnection Customer Milestones

This Exhibit A11 is provided for reference only and is not binding. Governing milestone dates are listed in Appendix B.

Interconnection Customer has requested a desired In-service/Backfeed date of April 1, 2021 for Transmission Owner's interconnection substation. The expected Generator Testing Date is May 1, 2020 and the expected Commercial Operation Date is September 1, 2021.

Exhibit A12. Construction & Coordination Schedules

This Exhibit A12 is provided for reference only and is not binding. Governing milestone dates are listed in Appendix B.

Exhibit A13. Permits, Licenses, Regulatory Approvals and Authorization

It is assumed that no permits will be required for the work to be performed by the Transmission Owner.

Exhibit A14. Interconnection and Operating Guidelines

Power Factor Range

The Big Rivers planning criteria requires that an interconnecting generator must be able to operate within a power factor range of 0.95 lagging (supplying VARs to the system) to 0.95 leading (absorbing VARs from the system) at the high-voltage side of the Generating Facility step-up transformer.

Harmonics Requirements

The connecting entity shall take responsibility for limiting harmonic voltage and current distortion caused by their generation equipment. Limits for harmonic distortion (including inductive telephone influence factors) are consistent with those published in the latest issues of ANSI/IEEE 519, "Recommended Practices and Requirements for Harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems." Big Rivers may require the installation of a monitoring system to permit ongoing assessment of compliance with these criteria.

The generator's facilities and equipment shall not cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1 1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. For voltage flicker in the frequency range of 1 to 25 Hz, voltage flicker levels are unacceptable if either of the following conditions exist: (a) the cumulative RMS voltage flicker at the Points of Interconnection exceeds 0.30% for 1.0% of a representative time period, or (b) the instantaneous voltage flicker level regularly exceeds 0.45% at the Points of Interconnection (this is approximately equal to a cumulative RMS voltage flicker of 0.45% for 0.01% of a representative time period).

Operating to a Specified Voltage or VAR Schedule

Big Rivers will provide the required voltage schedule at the time of startup. A typical voltage schedule requires operation within a maximum voltage range of 152.95 kV to 169.0 kV with 165.0 kV to 167.0 kV desired.

Operating Guidelines

No operating restrictions are anticipated.

Appendix B To GIA

Milestones

1. Selected Option pursuant to Article 5.1: Interconnection Customer selects the Standard Option as described in Article 5.1.1. Articles 5.1.2, 5.1.3 and 5.1.4 shall not apply to this GIA.

2. Milestones: The description and date entries listed in the following tables are provided solely for the convenience of the Parties in establishing their applicable Milestones consistent with the provisions of this GIA and the GIP.

A. Interconnection Customer Milestones

No.	Description	Date
1a.	Coordinate with Transmission Provider to provide initial payment to Transmission Owner (GIA 11.5) of cash payment of \$40,000 (20% of total Network Upgrade and Transmission Owner Interconnection Facilities cost).	Within 45 Calendar Days of the execution of the GIA. - Complete
2.	Provide Certificate of Insurance (GIA 18.4.9).	The earlier of the construction work commencement date or the milestone date; thereafter, within 90 Calendar Days of end of fiscal year or insurance renewal date.
3.	<p>i) Provide to Transmission Provider reasonable evidence of continued Site Control.</p> <p>ii) Provide evidence of one or more of the following milestones being achieved: (1) execution of contract for (a) fuel supply or transport; (b) cooling water supply; (c) engineering procurement of major equipment or construction; (d) execution of a contract for the sale of electric energy or capacity from the Generating Facility, or a statement signed by an officer or authorized agent of Interconnection Customer attesting that the Generating Facility is included in an applicable state resource adequacy plan; or other information that Transmission Provider deems to be reasonable evidence that the Generating Facility will qualify as a designated network resource; or (2) documentation of application for state or local air, water, land, or federal nuclear or hydroelectric</p>	<p>Within 15 Business Days of Effective Date. - Complete</p> <p>Within 180 Calendar Days of Effective Date. - Complete</p>

	permits and that the application is proceeding per regulations (GIP 11.3).	
4a.	Provide security in the amount of \$100,000 to Transmission Owner to commence design, equipment procurement.	January 4, 2020. - Complete
4b.	Provide security in the amount of \$60,000 to Transmission Owner to commence construction for Interconnection Facilities.	September 1, 2020. - Complete
5.	Pre-construction meeting.	As may be agreed to by the Parties.
6.	Provide initial design and specifications for Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider for comment (GIA 5.10.1).	180 Calendar Days prior to initial synchronization date.
7.	Provide final design and specifications for Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities to Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider for comment (GIA 5.10.1).	90 Calendar Days prior to initial synchronization date.
8.	Deliver to Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents regarding Interconnection Customer's Interconnection Facilities (GIA 5.10.3).	Within 120 Calendar Days of Commercial Operation Date.
9.	Notify Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner in writing of Local Balancing Authority where Generating Facility is located (GIA 9.2).	Three months prior to Initial Synchronization Date.
10.	Pre-energization meeting.	As may be agreed to by the Parties.
11.	Initial Synchronization Date.	June 1, 2023
12.	Commercial Operation Date.	September 1, 2021*
13.	Interconnection Customer shall provide the Parties with notice on the status of the Generating Facility, including COD, under Article 15 of this GIA and shall also send such notice by email to ResourceIntegration@misoenergy.org . Notification shall include Interconnection Customer's name, and as applicable Market Participant(s) name(s), and project number.	6 months prior to Initial Synchronization Date.
14.	Interconnection Customer shall provide notice to the Parties of a test plan in advance of conducting tests for the Generating Facility. The notice shall be in the form below and should be provided under Article 15 of this GIA, and a copy of such notice should be emailed to ResourceIntegration@misoenergy.org .	5 Business Days prior to testing.

* Interconnection Customer expects that it will need to utilize a portion of the three-year maximum extension allowed past the September 1, 2021, Commercial Operation Date listed

in this GIA to achieve commercial operation. The anticipated Commercial Operation Date is September 1, 2023.

B. Transmission Owner Milestones

No.	Description	Date
0.	Transmission Owner to enter Network Upgrade information into Transmission Provider's MTEP database and model on demand.	10 Business Days after Effective Date.
1.	Provide Certificate of Insurance (GIA 18.4.9).	The earlier of the construction work commencement date or the milestone date; within 90 Calendar Days of end of fiscal year or insurance renewal date.
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commence design of Interconnection Facilities (GIA 5.5 et seq.). • Commence equipment procurement. 	As agreed to by the Parties (after completion of Interconnection Facilities Study, receipt of written authorization from Interconnection Customer and Interconnection Customer's deposit of security).
3.	Commence construction of Interconnection Facilities (GIA 5.6 et seq.).	As agreed to by the Parties (after receiving approval of Governmental Authority, receipt of written authorization and security from Interconnection Customer).
4.	Comment on Interconnection Customer's final design and specifications.	Within 30 Calendar Days of Interconnection Customer's submission of final design and specifications.
5.	Deliver to Interconnection Customer and Transmission Provider "as-built" drawings, information and documents regarding Transmission Owner's Interconnection Facilities (GIA 5.11).	Within 120 Calendar Days of Commercial Operation Date.
6.	Provide Interconnection Customer final cost invoices (GIA 12.2 et seq.).	Within 6 (six) months of completion.
7.	Refund overpayment of estimated costs (GIA 12.2).	90 Calendar Days prior to initial synchronization date.

		Refunds within 30 Calendar Days.
8.	In-Service Date/Backfeed Date.	May 1, 2023

C. Affected System Owner Milestones

Interconnection Customer is responsible to enter into Facilities Construction Agreements and/or Multi-Party Facilities Construction Agreement with Affected System Owner for Interconnection Customer's share of following upgrades:

- New Hardinsburg – Hardinsburg 138 kV

D. Transmission Provider Milestones

No.	Description	Date
1.	Transmission Owner to determine conditional limit for interconnection service.	Prior to Commercial Operation.
2.	Transmission Provider to provide Notice to the Parties when unconditional interconnection service is achieved.	Within 30 Calendar days of unconditional service being achieved.
3.	MISO will transfer initial payment \$40,000 to Transmission Owner on behalf of Interconnection Customer.	Within 45 Calendar days of the Effective Date. - Complete

Appendix C To GIA
Interconnection Details

None.

Appendix D To GIA

Security Arrangements Details

Infrastructure security of Transmission or Distribution System equipment and operations, as applicable, and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day Transmission and Distribution System reliability and operational security. The Commission will expect all Transmission Providers, market participants, and Interconnection Customers interconnected to the Transmission or Distribution System, as applicable, to comply with the recommendations provided by Governmental Authorities regarding Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (“CEII”) as that term is defined in 18 C.F.R. Section 388.113(c) and best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

Appendix E To GIA

Commercial Operation Date

This Appendix E is a part of this GIA between Transmission Provider, Transmission Owner and Interconnection Customer.

[Date]

Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
Attn: Director, Transmission Access Planning
720 City Center Drive
Carmel, IN 46032

Re: _____ Generating Facility

Dear _____:

On **[Date]** **[Interconnection Customer]** has completed Trial Operation of Unit No. ____.
This letter confirms that **[Interconnection Customer]** commenced commercial operation of Unit No. ____ at the Generating Facility, effective as of **[Date plus one Calendar Day]**.

Thank you.
[Signature]

[Interconnection Customer Representative]
cc: Transmission Owner

Appendix F To GIA

Addresses for Delivery of Notices and Billings

Notices:

Transmission Provider:

MISO
Attn: Director, Transmission Access Planning
720 City Center Drive
Carmel, IN 46032

Transmission Owner:

Big Rivers Electric Corporation
Attn: Vice President System Operations
201 Third Street
Henderson, KY 42420

Interconnection Customer:

Clover Creek Solar Project LLC
c/o Orion Renewable Energy Group LLC
Attention: General Counsel
155 Grand Ave #706
Oakland, CA 94612
Email: jwolf@orionrenewables.com
inquiries@orionrenewables.com

Billings and Payments:

Transmission Provider:

MISO
Attn: Director, Transmission Access Planning
720 City Center Drive
Carmel, IN 46032

Transmission Owner:

Big Rivers Electric Corporation
Attn: Vice President System Operations
201 Third Street
Henderson, KY 42420

Interconnection Customer:

Clover Creek Solar Project LLC
c/o Orion Renewable Energy Group LLC
Attention: Accounting
155 Grand Ave #706
Oakland, CA 94612
Email: jwolf@orionrenewables.com
inquiries@orionrenewables.com

Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email):

Transmission Provider:

Phone: (317) 249-5700
Email: misotap@misoenergy.org or
MISOTransmissionAccessPlanning@misoenergy.org

Transmission Owner:

Phone: (270) 844-6205
Email: Michael.Chambliss@bigrivers.com

Interconnection Customer:

Phone: (510) 267-8921
Email: jwolf@orionrenewables.com
inquiries@orionrenewables.com

Appendix G To GIA– Not Applicable**Interconnection Requirements for a Wind Generating Plant**

Appendix G sets forth requirements and provisions specific to a wind generating plant. All other requirements of this GIA continue to apply to wind generating plant interconnections.

A. Technical Standards Applicable to a Wind Generating Plant
i. Low Voltage Ride-Through (LVRT) Capability

A wind generating plant shall be able to remain online during voltage disturbances up to the time periods and associated voltage levels set forth in the standard below.

1. Wind generating plants are required to remain in-service during three-phase faults with normal clearing (which is a time period of approximately 4-9 cycles) and single line to ground faults with delayed clearing, and subsequent post-fault voltage recovery to prefault voltage unless clearing the fault effectively disconnects the generator from the system. The clearing time requirement for a three-phase fault will be specific to the wind generating plant substation location, as determined by and documented by the transmission provider. The maximum clearing time the wind generating plant shall be required to withstand for a three-phase fault shall be 9 cycles after which, if the fault remains following the location-specific normal clearing time for three-phase faults, the wind generating plant may disconnect from the transmission system. A wind generating plant shall remain interconnected during such a fault on the transmission system for a voltage level as low as zero volts, as measured at the high voltage side of the wind GSU.
2. This requirement does not apply to faults that would occur between the wind generator terminals and the high side of the GSU.
3. Wind generating plants may be tripped after the fault period if this action is intended as part of a special protection system.
4. Wind generating plants may meet the LVRT requirements of this standard by the performance of the generators or by installing additional equipment (*e.g.* Static VAR Compensator) within the wind generating plant or by a combination of generator performance and additional equipment.
5. Existing individual generator units that are, or have been, interconnected to the network at the same location at the effective date of the Appendix G LVRT Standard are exempt from meeting the Appendix G LVRT Standard for the remaining life of the existing generation equipment. Existing individual generator units that are replaced are required to meet the Appendix G LVRT Standard.

ii. Power Factor Design Criteria (Reactive Power)

The following reactive power requirements apply only to a newly interconnecting wind generating plant that has completed a System Impact Study as of the effective date of the Final Rule establishing the reactive power requirements for non-synchronous generators in section 9.6.1 of this GIA (Order No. 827). A wind generating plant to which this provision applies shall maintain a factor within the range of 0.95 leading to 0.95 lagging, unless Transmission Provider has established different requirements that apply to all Generating Facilities in the Local Balancing Authority on a comparable basis, measured at the Point of Interconnection as defined in this GIA, if the Transmission Provider's System Impact Study shows that such a requirement is necessary to ensure safety or reliability. The power factor range standard can be met by using, for example, power electronics designed to supply this level of reactive capability (taking into account any limitations due to voltage level, real power output, etc.) or fixed and switched capacitors if agreed to by Transmission Provider, or a combination of the two. Interconnection Customer shall not disable power factor equipment while the wind plant is in operation. Wind plants shall also be able to provide sufficient dynamic voltage support in lieu of the power system stabilizer and automatic voltage regulation at the generator excitation system if the System Impact Study shows this to be required for system safety or reliability.

iii. Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Capability

The wind plant shall provide SCADA capability to transmit data and receive instructions from Transmission Provider to protect system reliability. Transmission Provider and Interconnection Customer shall determine what SCADA information is essential for the proposed wind plant, taking into account the size of the plant and its characteristics, location, and importance in maintaining generation resource adequacy and transmission system reliability in its area.

Appendix H To GIA– Not Applicable

Interconnection Requirements for Provisional GIA

Provisional Agreement

This GIA is being provided in accordance with Section 11.5 of the Transmission Provider’s GIP, which provides among other things, that an Interconnection Customer may request that Transmission Provider provide Interconnection Customer with a provisional GIA that limits the transfer of energy by Interconnection Customer commensurate with that allowed for Energy Resource Interconnection Service. Interconnection Customer requested Transmission Provider to provide a provisional GIA for limited operation at the discretion of Transmission Provider based upon the results of available studies (by Interconnection Customer and by Transmission Provider).

A Provisional Interconnection Study, the results of which are posted on the confidential portion of the Transmission Provider’s internet website, was performed by Transmission Provider in order to confirm the facilities that are required for provisional Interconnection Service and to require them to be in place prior to commencement of service under the GIA.

Interconnection Customer represents that the Interconnection Customer facilities (including Network Upgrades, Interconnection Facilities, Distribution Upgrades, System Protection Upgrades and/or Generator Upgrades) that are necessary to commence provisional Interconnection Service and meet the requirements of NERC, or any applicable regional entity for the interconnection of a new generator are in place prior to the commencement of generation from the Generating Facility and will remain in place during the term of the service. The requisite Interconnection Studies were performed for the Generating Facility. Interconnection Customer shall meet any additional requirements (including reactive power requirements) pursuant to the results of applicable future Interconnection System Impact Studies. Until such time as the applicable Interconnection Studies and any identified facilities are completed, the output of the Generating Facility will operate within the output limit prescribed in a future, if applicable, operating guide.

The maximum permissible output of the Generating Facility under Appendix A will be updated by Transmission Provider on a quarterly basis, determined in accordance with Section 11.5 of the GIP, by finding the transfer limit of energy commensurate with the analysis for Energy Resource Interconnection Service (“ERIS”). This study shall be performed assuming the system topology represented by the base cases used to calculate Available Flowgate Capability, as described in Attachment C of the Tariff, with dispatch and optimization algorithms posted on the MISO internet site and operation above those limits will be deemed as unauthorized use of the Transmission System and subject to provisions in the Tariff surrounding that use.

Use of interim operating guide

Implementation of interim operating guide, if applicable, will constitute an interim solution that will permit Interconnection Customer to operate the Generating Facility under conditional

Interconnection Service until planned Network Upgrades are constructed. Any interim operating guide will be subject to the approval of Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider. Minimum requirements for an interim operating guide are as indicated below.

- * Transmission Operator will have control of breaker(s) dedicated to the Generating Facility and will be able to trip the Interconnection Customer's Generating Facility
- * Protection schemes must be tested and operative
- * Interconnection Customer will provide continuous communication capability with the Generator Operator
- * Interconnection Customer and the owner of the existing Generating Facility will enter into an operating agreement or similar agreement which designates, among other things, the responsibilities and authorities of each of the parties and shall be subject to the acceptance of Transmission Provider and Transmission Owner.
- * A termination date consistent with completion of construction of Network Upgrades will be included as part of all operating guides accepted by Transmission Owner and Transmission Provider.

Interconnection Customer assumes all risks and liabilities with respect to changes, which may impact the Generator Interconnection Agreement including, but not limited to, change in output limits and responsibilities for future Network Upgrade and cost responsibilities that have not yet been identified on the direct connect Transmission System as well as all affected Transmission, Distribution or Generation System(s) including non-Transmission Provider Systems. Such upgrades will be determined pursuant to the Tariff and Policies in effect at the time of the Interconnection Studies.

Appendix I To GIA– Not Applicable

Requirements Applicable to Net Zero Interconnection Service

Where this GIA provides for Net Zero Interconnection Service, Interconnection Customer acknowledges, agrees to, and will be required to operate under the following conditions:

- 1) The combined Real-Time Offers, including Energy and Operating Reserves, of the Generating Facility and the existing generating facility with which Interconnection Customer has an executed Energy Displacement Agreement must be less than or equal to Interconnection Service limit (MW, MVAR, MVA output) provided in Exhibit I-1 (Monitoring and Consent Agreement) (hereinafter, “Interconnection Service limit”). In the event that the sum of the simultaneous energy output of the Generating Facility and the existing generating facility exceeds such Interconnection Service limit, MISO reserves the right to curtail and/or disconnect the Generating Facility immediately.

In the event that the sum of the emergency and/or economic maximum offer limits of the Generating Facility and the existing generating facility exceeds the Interconnection Service limit, MISO reserves the right to curtail and/or disconnect the Generating Facility immediately.

- 2) The total MW, MVAR, MVA output at the Point of Interconnection resulting from the combined output of the Generating Facility and the existing generating facility with which Interconnection Customer has an executed Energy Displacement Agreement shall not at any time exceed the Interconnection Service limit.
- 3) The existing generating facility with which Interconnection Customer has an executed Energy Displacement Agreement is not relieved of any applicable requirements under the RAR of the Tariff.
- 4) The Interconnection Customer shall submit to the Transmission Provider a report by the seventh Calendar Day of each month showing the prior month’s output, by 15 minute increment, the combined real-time offers and cleared energy injection. The existing generating facility and the Interconnection Customer shall cooperate consistent with other provisions in the Tariff to the extent necessary to ensure accuracy of the report. Transmission Provider shall provide a template for this report.

Exhibit I-1 (Completed Monitoring and Consent Agreement - Appendix 11 of the GIP)

Exhibit I-2 (Completed Energy Displacement Agreement - Appendix 12 of the GIP)

EXHIBIT G

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REVISED DRAFT: October 30, 2024

TO: Chase Glotfelty
 Project Developer
 EDP Renewables North America, LLC
 1501 McKinney St., Suite 1300
 Houston, TX 77010

FROM: Paul Coomes

RE: Estimated economic impact of Breckinridge County solar project

Executive Summary

EDP Renewables North America LLC is developing a solar farm with 100 MW generating capacity on approximately 1,100 acres of rolling farmland in Breckinridge County Kentucky. The company plans to invest approximately \$200 million to develop the site, named Clover Creek Solar Project, LLC d/b/a New Frontiers Solar Park. This note provides estimates of the new local economic and fiscal activity expected from the development.

There are two primary impacts expected from the project. First, there will be a spike in construction and linked jobs as the site is built out over approximately one year. Using estimates of the construction payroll, I estimate that there will be a total (direct and spinoff) of 305 new jobs in the county in year one, with new labor compensation of \$17.7 million.

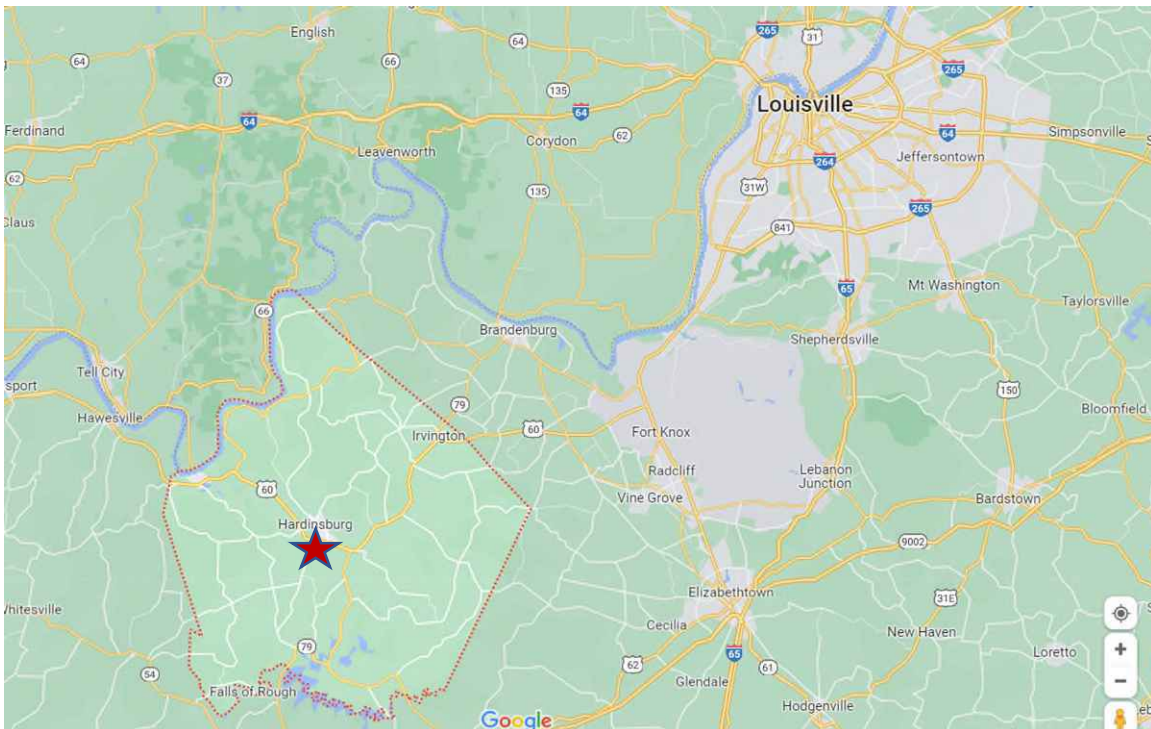
Second, there will be three decades of new property-related tax payments to state and local jurisdictions in Breckinridge County due to the increased value of real estate and tangible property installed at the site. Local jurisdictions are likely to receive approximately \$3.2 million in new property taxes over the subsequent 30 years. The fourteen land parcels to be used for above ground construction currently generate about \$13,000 in property tax revenues, almost all going to local jurisdictions. This can be compared to an average of \$107,000 likely to be generated per year by the solar project over its life.

The company does not intend to pursue an Industrial Revenue Bond (IRB) for the project with the County Fiscal Court.

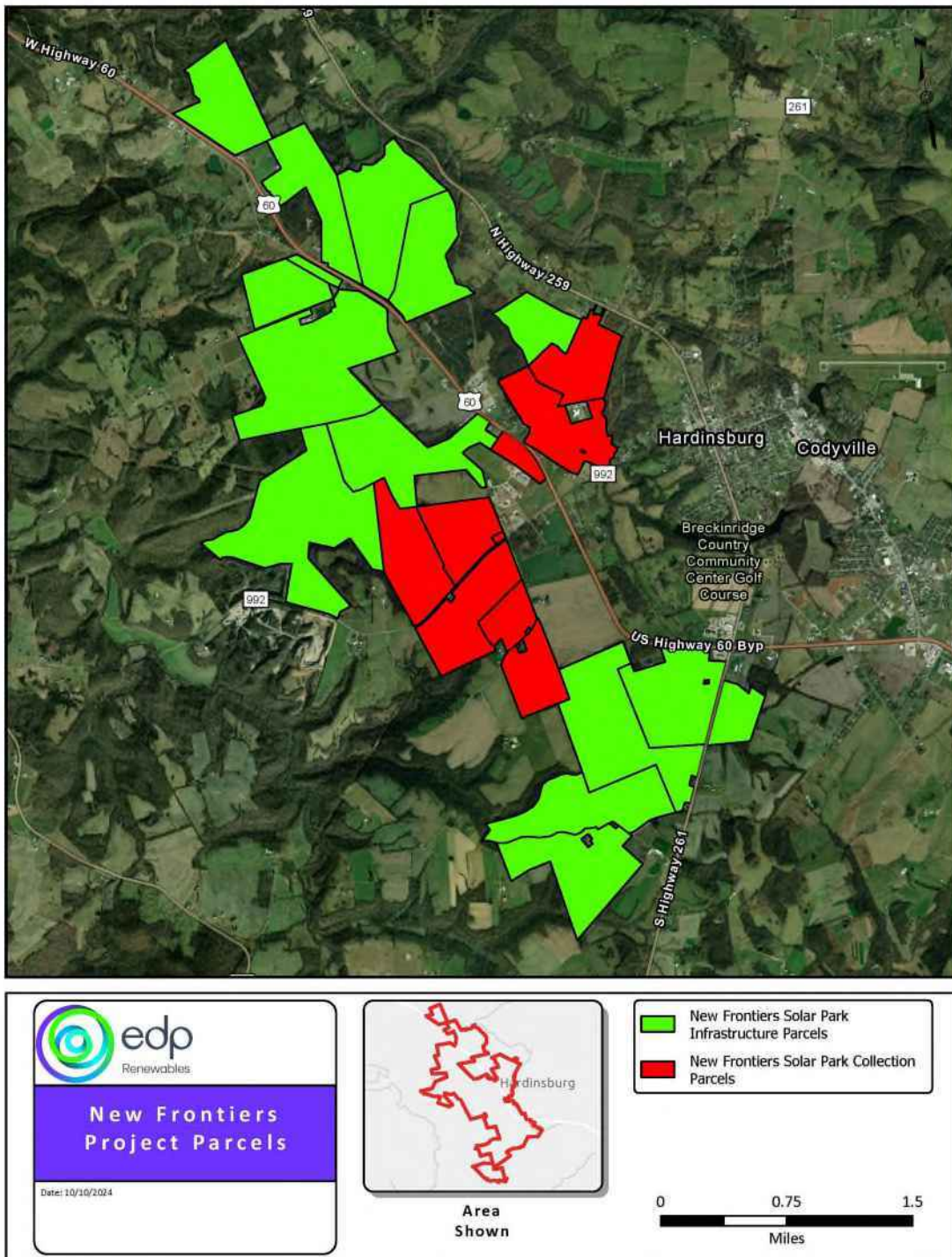
The ongoing annual economic impacts from operating the solar farm involve the positive effects of several operational and maintenance jobs plus the effects of the new lease payments to owners of the land. In Appendix B, these are compared to the negative effects of lost agribusiness activity, revealing net annual gain in jobs and labor income over the operating period. Looking out over three decades, and including the impacts of construction, I estimate there will be a net gain of 419 job-years and \$29.9 million in labor income to Breckinridge County.

Demographic and Economic Characteristics of Breckinridge County

Breckinridge County is located southwest of Louisville KY, with the Ohio River along its northern border. Its boundary is the dotted red line on the Google Map screenshot below. US Highway 60 connects Louisville to Hardinsburg, the County seat, and continues westward to Owensboro, Henderson, and Paducah. Before Interstate 64 was constructed across southern Indiana in the 1970s, Highway 60 was the primary east-west transportation route in Kentucky. The solar site is just outside of Hardinsburg, on both sides of US Highway 60, near the red star on the map.



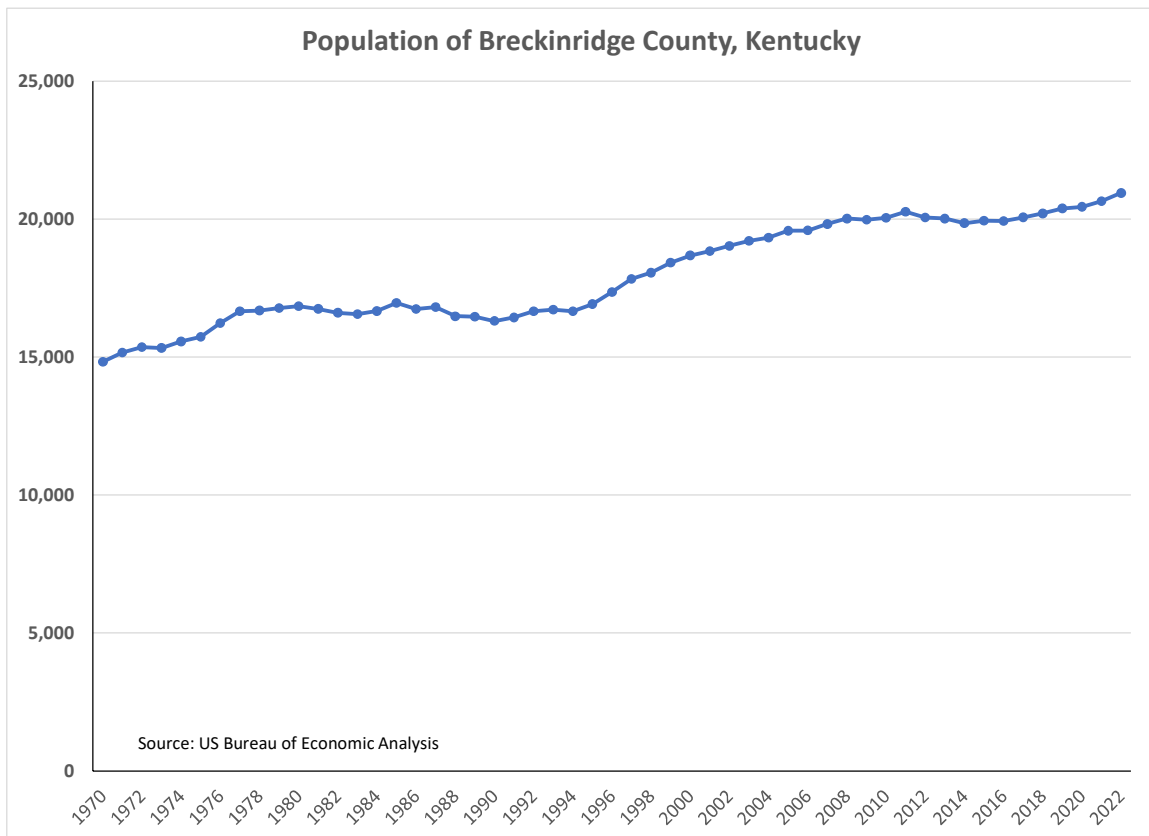
The company supplied me with the site map shown below, with outlines of the various land parcels involved.

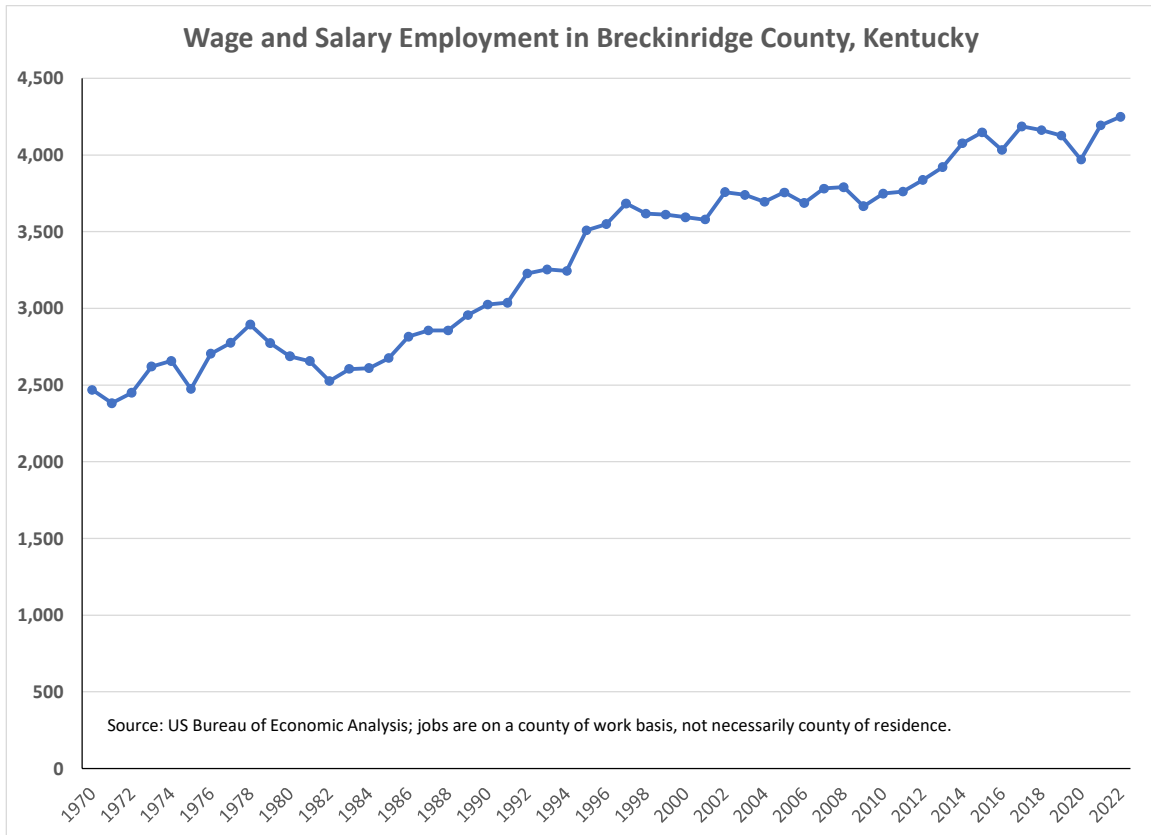


Newly released results from the 2022 American Community Survey provide a nice summary of demographic and economic characteristics of Breckinridge County. Some details are provided in a table at the end of this report. A few things stand out:

- Compared to the Kentucky state average, the county population is older, whiter, native-born, and less likely to move.
- Few adults have a four-year college degree, and a large percentage of adults are not in the labor force.
- Residents tend to commute long distances to work, and disproportionately in manufacturing industries around the region.
- Median household income was \$51,700, compared to a state average of \$60,200. Households have a lower rate of broadband internet connection than the state average.

The number of residents in the county has hovered around 20,000 for the past fifteen years. The county added about 3,000 residents in the 1990s, following a previous decade of no net growth. This demographic pattern is highly correlated with the number of jobs in the County, as is evident in the next chart.





The County added about 1,100 jobs between 1985 and 2002, but very few net new jobs since. I examined the employment history by major industry during that growth period, and see strong growth in Services, Construction, Local Government (including schools), and Retail Trade. These are sectors that typically absorb local income as opposed to create new local income, e.g., manufacturing, distribution, or office sectors. It appears from historical data on personal income that the local job growth was actually caused by strong growth in incomes of residents due to working at higher paying jobs outside the county. In 1985, wages and salaries paid to workers in the county amounted to \$30.2 million, but another \$41.1 million in new personal income to residents was due to the net effect of commuting among counties. By 2002, the gap was wider, with \$75.2 million in wages and salaries on a county of work basis, but \$115.8 million in ‘residence adjustment’ to county personal income due to commuting. In other words, County personal income is driven more by residents working in other counties than from earnings from work in Breckinridge County.

Data on commuting patterns are only published every five years, and reveal the historical interchange of workers to and from Breckinridge County. While local residents fill almost

all of the jobs in the county, a large flow of residents commute out to work in a wide range of counties. In fact, there are almost as many Breckinridge residents working outside the county as in their home county. One can see that 91 percent of workers in Breckinridge County are also residents of Breckinridge County. Most of the rest of the workers come from surrounding counties, especially Meade, Grayson and Bedford (IN) counties.

County of Residence of Workers in Breckinridge County, KY		
Breckinridge County	3,626	91.2%
Meade County	77	1.9%
Grayson County	40	1.0%
Bedford County	40	1.0%
Spencer County	29	0.7%
Warrick County	28	0.7%
Hancock County	26	0.7%
Daviess County	25	0.6%
all other	83	2.1%
Total	3,974	100.0%

County of Work for Residents of Breckinridge County		
Breckinridge County	3,626	49.5%
Jefferson County	725	9.9%
Hardin County	577	7.9%
Grayson County	492	6.7%
Hancock County	394	5.4%
Meade County	360	4.9%
Daviess County	232	3.2%
Perry County	210	2.9%
Bullitt County	135	1.8%
Harrison County	74	1.0%
All other	507	6.9%
Total	7,332	100.0%

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, Residence County to Workplace County Commuting Flows, 5-Year ACS, 2016-2020

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In this survey there were 7,332 working Breckinridge County residents, of which only 3,626 work in their home county. Where do the rest of the residents work? One can see the primary work locations in the next table. Jefferson, Hardin and Grayson counties are the most important destinations, but a significant flow of commuters go to five other Kentucky and Indiana counties to work. These nearby counties have a wider array of high-paying manufacturing jobs, luring Breckinridge residents to commute relatively long distances. This explains the relatively long commute times and large residence adjustment to personal income just discussed.

Modeling the Economic Impacts

I take a conventional approach to modeling the regional economic impacts, using a customized input-output model of Breckinridge County¹. I have purchased annual economic data for all the 120 Kentucky counties, and use these as needed to construct regional models – of a county, a group of counties, or the whole state. The model has detailed information about the linkages among 500+ potential industries in each regional economy, as well as the relationship between household spending and demand for local retail goods and services due to the employee compensation. When there is new industrial activity in a region, the model can predict how much of the supply chain can be met by local businesses and how much the new payroll will result in additional sales (and jobs) by local businesses.

The ratio of the total regional economic activity to a change in activity by a local industry is called a multiplier. For example, if a new manufacturing company adds 100 jobs and the county were to ultimately see another 80 jobs due to related spinoff activity, the employment multiplier would be 1.8 (180 total jobs divided by 100 direct jobs). Similar multiplier effects are generated for output, employee compensation, and value-added².

The relevant sector for the construction phase is number 52, “Construction of new power and communication structures”, and I use this to model the initial investment. The employment multiplier for that sector in Breckinridge County is 1.272. This is a very modest multiplier, due to the fact that almost all the materials used to assemble a solar farm are made outside the County; thus, there are few inter-industry impacts locally.

There will also be some modest spin-off impacts from ongoing operations. The company expects operations to support four jobs. Unfortunately, for the operations phase, the relevant IMPLAN sector, number 42, “Electric Power Generation – Solar”, is empty of data and results for Breckinridge County. This is because there is no history of solar electricity generation and therefore no basic economic data to construct industry relationships. However, with the latest IMPLAN data release, we do have modeling information at the state level, and I used that below to simulate the impact of operations.

¹ For documentation of IMPLAN modeling, see www.implan.com/history/. For this project I use economic data for 2019. While data for 2020 and 2021 are available now, they reflect abnormal pandemic conditions, and I do not believe they are representative of typical economic linkages.

² Value-added is a measure of how much economic activity actually sticks to a region. For example, if one purchases a new vehicle for \$40,000 from a local dealership, only a few thousand dollars actually is captured in the county. Business revenues rise by \$40,000, but most of it flows right out to the place where the vehicle was made. Local value-added measures the fraction of the sale that ends up paying workers and owners at the dealership, as well as any local taxes captured as a result of the sale.

Construction Payroll and Local Economic Impacts

From an economic perspective, the solar project has two phases, construction and operations. The construction phase is expected to last one year, while the operations phase will last several decades. Almost all the employment occurs in the construction phase. The regional economic impacts consist of the direct effects of spending by the developer, and any spinoff impacts due to local purchases of supplies and new spending by households as a result of their increased incomes.

Direct effects

The company expects to invest approximately \$200 million in the solar project. The investment involves land acquisition, site preparation, solar panel and electrical equipment installation, plus landscaping and security fencing. EDPR plans to enter into a Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) contract for this project, so it is not possible to know precisely how many workers will be employed nor their total compensation. For modeling purposes, I am using an estimate of average employment over a one-year construction phase. The results of a recent California study of six large photovoltaic projects suggests that there will be an average of 240 direct jobs over a twelve-month construction period for this project³.

The California study also provides a range of results for construction wages and benefits. The lowest average annual construction wage reported was \$52,736, and the average wage across the six projects was \$78,002, as shown in the table. California is, of course, a high-wage state, with a much higher cost of living than Kentucky. On the other hand,

Construction wages and benefits from 2014 Berkeley study			
	Average annual wage	Average annual benefits	Total compensation
CA Valley & Topaz Combined, Low Wage	\$52,736	\$24,104	\$76,840
Average Across Six Solar Projects	\$78,002	\$36,880	\$114,882

Source: <https://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/pdf/2014/building-solar-ca14.pdf>

³ A University of California-Berkeley study looked at six large PV projects in California, and summarized the economics. The author finds a ratio of 2.4 FTE construction jobs per MW. Applied to New Frontier's 100 MW one gets 240 direct construction jobs. He shows the permanent operations jobs per MW, and applied to this project one gets 3.2 FTEs. See page 28 of *Economic and Environmental Benefits of Building Solar in California*, by Peter Philips, November 10, 2014, <https://laborcenter.berkeley.edu/pdf/2014/building-solar-ca14.pdf>

the wage results are from projects developed a decade ago, and there have been large increases in average wages across the US since then.⁴

Occupations include construction managers, earth grader operators, panel installers, electricians, and fencers. I searched the federal database on hundreds of occupations to learn how much these workers are likely to earn on the Project. There is no listing in the Kentucky data for “Solar Photovoltaic Installer”, but the national average annual wage in 2022 was \$50,710⁵.

Kentucky Wages for Related Occupations, 2022			
Occupation (SOC code)	Employment	Hourly mean wage	Annual mean wage
Construction Managers(119021)	-	\$45.07	\$93,740
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators(472073)	6,230	\$26.20	\$54,490
Electricians(472111)	9,210	\$26.85	\$55,840
Fence Erectors(474031)	280	\$18.91	\$39,320
Industrial Engineers(172112)	5,500	\$42.29	\$87,960
Materials Engineers(172131)	330	\$47.57	\$98,940
Mechanical Engineers(172141)	2,730	\$40.87	\$85,010
Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers(499021)	5,240	\$24.43	\$50,810
Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers(499051)	2,590	\$34.63	\$72,020
Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers(499052)	1,090	\$26.10	\$54,290

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Survey,
<https://data.bls.gov/oes/#/geoOcc/Multiple%20occupations%20for%20one%20geographical%20area>

Good inferences about other relevant occupations can be gleaned from the table above. The construction managers are likely to earn over \$90,000, heavy equipment operators and installers over \$50,000, electricians around \$56,000 and fencers \$39,000. The average annual wages and salaries for all such jobs in Breckinridge County in 2022 was \$39,461⁶. Based on this information, I assume the average annual pay across the construction occupations will be \$50,000, excluding fringe benefits.

⁴ By contrast, a recent union-oriented report on Ohio solar projects claims temp workers there are only making \$18 to \$20 per hour, implying average annual pay of around \$40,000; See <https://columbusfreepress.com/article/ohio-solar-panel-farms-are-booming-construction-workers-are-being-exploited-make-it-happen>

⁵ Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Survey. For national data on solar photovoltaic installer, see www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm#47-2231 . For Kentucky data, see www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_ky.htm County-level data are not available.

⁶ Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), <https://www.bea.gov/data/by-place-county-metro-local> , Table CAINC30, average annual wages and salaries in county.

Multiplying the 240 jobs times the assumed average pay per job yields a direct construction payroll of \$12.0 million. The average fringe benefits, such as employer payments for health insurance, in Kentucky for the construction industry is 21 percent⁷; so, total labor compensation for these jobs is \$14.5 million, or \$60,300 per job.

Total impacts in Breckinridge County from construction

The construction phase will have some spin-off effects in Breckinridge County, due to materials and labor purchased locally. The economic impact of local supplies purchased is called the indirect effect, and the impact of new local household spending is called the induced effect. Adding these two effects to the direct effect yields the total effect of a development, and dividing the total effect by the direct effect yields a multiplier. Using the Breckinridge County multipliers for the relevant construction sector, and the direct construction budget, I project there will be a total of 305 new jobs in the County, and new labor compensation of \$17.7 million.

The accompanying table illustrates the various impact components across several standard economic measures. It is stated in terms of 100 direct jobs, but can be scaled up to fit any assumed number of construction jobs. Note that both the indirect and induced effects are quite small. The indirect effect is small due to the lack of local suppliers of solar farm materials. The induced effect is small due to the lack of retail and service businesses in the County to absorb the new household income linked to the construction jobs.

100 Jobs in Sector 52, Construction of new power and communication structures				
Impact Type	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct Effect	100.0	\$4,940,469	\$6,654,477	\$13,054,638
Indirect Effect	13.6	\$627,350	\$1,181,217	\$2,707,181
Induced Effect	13.6	\$486,283	\$1,118,741	\$2,098,357
Total Effect	127.2	\$6,054,101	\$8,954,436	\$17,860,175
<i>implied multiplier</i>	<i>1.272</i>	<i>1.225</i>	<i>1.346</i>	<i>1.368</i>

Source: IMPLAN model of Breckinridge County, using 2022 economic data.

⁷ BEA provides estimates of both total compensation and total wages by industry for the state. Dividing total construction industry compensation by wages in 2022 yields 1.21.

Wider regional impacts from construction

Some readers may wonder why I have focused on impacts in Breckinridge County as opposed to more widespread regional impacts. Keep in mind that most federal-state statistical agencies and models measure employment on a place of work basis, as opposed to a place of residence basis. So, all construction workers at the site are counted as Breckinridge County jobs. Nevertheless, clearly there will be some spinoff economic activity in surrounding counties, as supplies are purchased and workers spend their paychecks at retail establishments.

To investigate possible broader regional impacts, I built another IMPLAN model, this time of Breckinridge, Hardin and Jefferson counties. Jefferson (Louisville) is by far the most populous county in Kentucky, is nearby, and will no doubt supply many workers to the project, as well as absorb a lot of the new household spending. The results are a bit larger than that of the Breckinridge-only simulation, primarily because of the inclusion of the very urbanized Jefferson County. It is less than an hour's drive from western Jefferson County to the construction site, and Jefferson supports a much more developed industrial and retail economy than Breckinridge.

The job multipliers for the solar farm construction phase are 1.272 for Breckinridge alone, and 1.511 for the three-county region, for a net change of 57 total predicted jobs. (Other economic multipliers, such as labor income and business output, are also consistently in that range). I also performed a comparable simulation using a model covering the whole state of Kentucky. That job multiplier for the solar farm is 1.564, almost identical to that for the three-county region. Based on our impact analysis tools, there are not significant differences in the predicted regional impacts when zooming out to adjacent counties or statewide⁸. In this case, the economic multipliers are relatively small whether one models one county, three, or 120. This is due to the lack of industrial linkages in the region to the solar industry.

Impact of Ongoing Operations

The California PV study cited above found a ratio of 31.3 MW per permanent operations job. Applied to the Breckinridge County project, this results in an estimate of 3.2 permanent operational jobs at the site. As mentioned in the above discussion of modeling methods, the IMPLAN sector for solar farm operations is empty of data for Breckinridge County, but economic activity is shown in the statewide model. The results of a simulation

⁸ For other industrial developments around Kentucky it is common for our models to predict job multipliers of 3, 4, or 5, particularly for complicated manufacturing operations such as motor vehicles and parts.

of 10 operations jobs is shown below. Applied to the project’s 3.2 direct jobs, this yields a total of 9.6 jobs. I assume, based on the California study, employee compensation per operations job to be an estimated \$102,000. Applying the labor income multiplier, this yields total labor income in the county of an estimated \$613,000. These impacts occur annually for the life of the Project, expected to last 30 to 35 years.

10 Jobs in Sector 42, Electricity Generation - Solar				
Impact Type	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct	10.0	\$1,510,669	\$4,363,792	\$7,894,802
Indirect	10.2	\$785,712	\$1,905,999	\$4,110,995
Induced	9.8	\$529,264	\$958,516	\$1,707,422
Total	29.9	\$2,825,646	\$7,228,307	\$13,713,219
<i>implied multiplier</i>	<i>2.991</i>	<i>1.870</i>	<i>1.656</i>	<i>1.737</i>
Source: IMPLAN model of State of Kentucky, using 2022 economic data.				

Local Tax Revenues

Breckinridge County and the Commonwealth of Kentucky levy property taxes on real estate and tangible property, and the Commonwealth taxes the value of manufacturing machinery. The table below provides the latest published tax rates that are applied county-wide. They total less than one percent of the assessed value of real property, with almost 60 percent of the revenue going to the county public school system. There are three municipal taxing jurisdictions in Breckinridge County – Cloverport, Hardinsburg, and Irvington - but the project is outside their city boundaries and thus would not be subject to those property taxes. And Breckinridge County does not levy a county-wide occupational license fee (payroll) or a net profits tax.

Breckinridge County Property Tax Rates, 2023			
in cents per \$100 valuation			
Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Tangible Personal	Manufacturers' Machinery
Extension Service	5.400	11.370	
General Fiscal Court	11.300	13.100	
Health	3.000	3.000	
Soil Conservation	7.200	7.200	
County Public Schools	53.200	54.000	
State of Kentucky	11.400	45.000	15.000
Total, County-wide	91.500	133.670	15.000
Source: Kentucky Department of Revenue			
https://revenue.ky.gov/News/Publications/Property%20Tax%20Rate%20Books/Property%20Tax%20Rate%20Book%202021.pdf			

The company has provided me with a property tax projection for their intended investment. The company’s investment would translate into 30 years of new property tax revenues, with \$1.989 million going to the school system, \$1.225 million going to other local tax districts, and \$5.994 million going to Kentucky state government. This amounts to \$107,000 in average annual new taxes to local governments in Breckinridge County, and \$200,000 per year to state government. The company does not intend to pursue an Industrial Revenue Bond (IRB) for the project through Breckinridge County Fiscal Court.

The company also provided me with the parcel numbers of the land for the site, and I looked up recent property tax payments through the website of the Breckinridge County Sheriff's offices. There are 13 parcels leased at the site to be used for above ground construction, and tax records were available for all but two of them⁹, generating \$13,000 in property taxes in 2023, almost all going to local jurisdictions, especially the county school system. This can be compared to an average \$107,000 expected to be generated by the solar project per year over the life of the project. It should be pointed out that solar projects like this require almost no public services from local government; and because they require so few people to operate do not add students and expenses to the County public school system.

⁹ To estimate taxes paid on those two parcels, I used the average tax paid per acre on the other 12 parcels.
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Appendix A

Demographic and Economic Characteristics of Breckinridge County		
	Breckinridge County	State of Kentucky
<i>Number of residents</i>	20,528	4,502,935
Median age	42.3	39.1
Percent white	94.7%	84.8%
Percent of noninstitutionalized population w disability	21.0%	17.6%
Percent foreign-born	0.60%	4.10%
Percent 18 and older veteran	9.2%	7.0%
Percent living in same house as a year ago	93.9%	86.6%
High school attainment rate, population aged 25+	85.1%	88.2%
College attainment rate, population aged 25+	14.3%	26.5%
<i>Number of Households</i>	7,542	1,769,102
Median household income	\$51,756	\$60,183
Persons per household	2.72	2.55
With broadband internet subscription	76.9%	85.6%
<i>Population 16+</i>	16,419	3,607,440
In the labor force	51.7%	59.5%
Employed civilian	47.5%	56.1%
Unemployed	4.0%	3.0%
Armed forces	0.2%	0.4%
Not in labor force	48.3%	40.5%
Median travel time to work (minutes)	34.4	23.9
<i>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</i>	7,803	2,025,396
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	25.1%	36.4%
Service occupations	12.9%	15.7%
Sales and office occupations	21.2%	20.6%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	11.2%	8.8%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	29.6%	18.6%
<i>Industry</i>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	3.2%	1.8%
Construction	6.9%	6.2%
Manufacturing	27.3%	14.2%
Wholesale trade	1.7%	2.3%
Retail trade	12.4%	11.8%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.7%	6.8%
Information	1.0%	1.4%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	3.8%	5.6%
Professional, scientific, and mgmt, and admin and waste mgmt services	4.7%	9.0%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	21.0%	24.0%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	6.0%	8.1%
Other services, except public administration	2.3%	4.5%
Public administration	3.8%	4.3%
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5-year profiles, 2018-22, www.census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/data-profiles/		

Appendix B

Measuring the Net Economic Impact of the Change in Land Use

The conversion of agricultural land to a solar farm involves both positive and negative economic effects on the regional economy. The negative effects involve the reduction in farming activity, and the linkages that has to local suppliers of seed, feed, fertilizer, equipment and labor, summarized by a reduction in business activity, employment and personal income. Many of the positive effects are described in the body of the report, including the one-time construction impacts, the several operations and maintenance jobs at the site, plus the increase in property tax payments to local jurisdictions. But there is also another important positive effect to consider – the impact of the annual lease payments to the farmland owners. This involves not only the actual new income, but also the regional spinoff impacts as the income is spent on goods and services in the local economy.

In this appendix, I attempt to account for all these factors and put them together to measure the net economic impact of the change in land use. No direct accounting-type information is available on actual farm operations at the solar site, but rich data are available on farmland activity at the county level. Using county data on crop yields, livestock production and prices provide a reasonable basis to estimate farm output at the solar site. Annual lease payments to the farmland owners, as provided by the solar developer, provide a precise measure of the new income to the owners. If the lease information is not available, national studies can be used to approximate the rate per acres. Then I use a custom IMPLAN model of the county to predict the linkages of both farm output and new lease income to the local economy.

As context, it is useful to remember that many if not most farmers hold a nonfarm job in a nearby city or industrial site, as often do their spouses. The income from nonfarm work is generally much greater than what they can earn from actual farming, and is how the family is able to pay its bills. Because farming is a seasonal activity, farmers of midsize plots can work extra hours during the growing season and hopefully supplement their household incomes. I say hopefully because historical data reveal that net farm income is negative in many years.

Lost Economic Activity From Farming

1. **Determine the solar site's share of county farmland.** In most Kentucky contexts, the relevant components are acres harvested of corn for grain, acres harvested for soybeans, and inventory of cattle and other livestock. The county totals are

published every five years in the Census of Agriculture, with 2022 the latest available¹⁰. Farmland use at the solar site is estimated based on visual inspection, as it is not feasible to do an actual acre by acre survey. The distribution of farmland use at the site will be similar to the county distribution, to the extent the topography and soil quality is similar throughout the county.

2. **Obtain the yield per acre and the value per bushel** for corn and soybeans from the county tables in the Census of Agriculture. Multiply the site acreage by the yield and value to obtain farm revenues (Output) for the site. A similar calculation can be made for any livestock activity.
3. **Use IMPLAN to simulate the Output loss** in the county from the loss of farm activity. IMPLAN has three sectors that usually apply: Oilseed Farming (#1), Grain Farming (#2), and Beef Cattle Ranching and Farming (#11). If needed, there are also sectors for Dairy Cattle (#12), Poultry and Egg (#13), Other Animal Production (pigs and hogs) (#14). IMPLAN will return a statement of the direct, indirect and induced economic impacts in the county from the loss of the farm activity. It also provides a detailed listing of the impacted sectors in the county, such as farm supplies.
4. Care should be taken at this point to **distinguish between Output and Value Added**. Output is the total sales, while Value Added measures only the dollars that stick to the county. For example, if farmers purchase \$50,000 of fuel most of those dollars go to the refinery in another county or state. Only the portion used to compensate the local distributor results in lost income in the county. Employment and Labor Income impacts are the most useful for our purposes.

New Income from Leasing Land to Solar Company

1. The solar farm developer has confidential data on the contracted amount they will pay landowners for the use of their land each year. Below, I use an estimate of approximately \$700,000 annually for the parcels containing infrastructure for the solar site. The lease payments likely will rise over time, but I do not have access to the details of the contracts. According to a recent paper, “More rural areas with high land prices and high solar demand may be in the ballpark of \$1,000 an acre near a substation with capacity. Areas where land price is much lower, and the

¹⁰ The 2022 Census of Agriculture statistics for Kentucky were released in February 2024. See www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/AgCensus/2022/Full_Report/Volume_1,_Chapter_2_County_Level/Kentucky/

land doesn't offer much in the way of agriculture, may drop rent rates to around \$500 per acre"¹¹.

2. To estimate the economic impact of this new income, IMPLAN can be used again. This involves a simulation of new household income and spending, resulting in estimates of the impact on other sectors in the county¹². Changes to household income have predictable impacts on residential construction, retail sales, health care, insurance, banking, restaurants, entertainment, education and a large range of activities covered by the IMPLAN modeling system. However, IMPLAN automatically lowers income for taxes and savings before examining spending. New spending on goods and services outside the region (imports) lower any local impacts, and thus spending in a less populated county may be less than the new income simulated. Note that there are no Indirect impacts, only Induced ones, since this is not a form of industry spending. The more urbanized the county, the greater the portion of household spending that is captured in the county versus imported from other regions. Again, one should distinguish between Output and Value Added, so the focus is on the new dollars that stick to the county.
3. An alternative is to follow the methods employed in a recent Minnesota study, which allocates one-half the lease payments to new household income and the other half to payments on their real estate mortgage and other debts¹³.

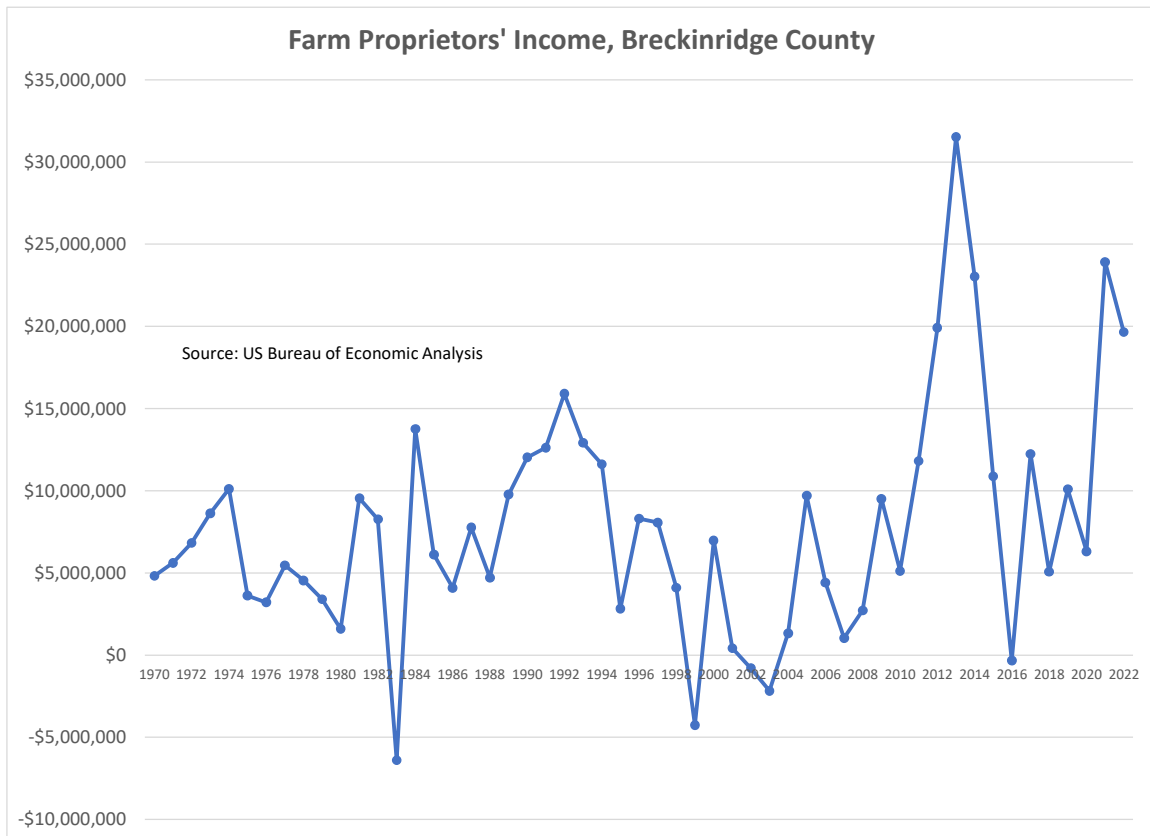
¹¹ These sites have good overviews of the factors involved: <https://uslightenergy.com/news/solar-land-lease-rates-how-much-do-solar-companies-pay-to-lease-land/> and www.solarlandlease.com/lease-rates-for-solar-farms-how-valuable-is-my-land

¹² For a discussion of how to analyze changes in household income, see <https://support.implan.com/hc/en-us/articles/360052212413-Household-Income-Events> .

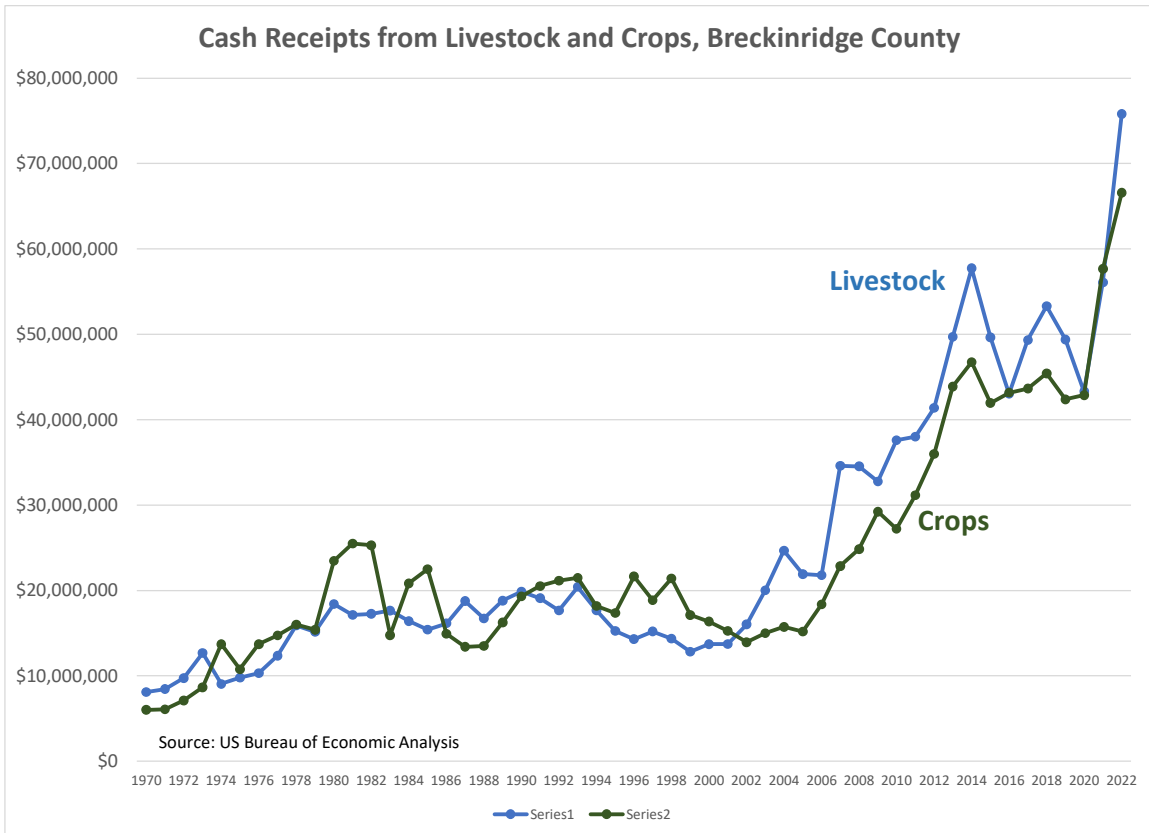
¹³ See Economic Impacts of a Proposed Solar Energy Project in Freeborn County, Minnesota, by Brigid Tuck, University of Minnesota Extension, April 2021: <https://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/223053>

Breckinridge County

I now apply the method to the New Frontiers solar site, which is located in Breckinridge County. Before estimating farm income at the site, it is worth looking briefly at agricultural conditions at the county level. The next chart shows net farm income over the past five decades. Note the volatility of farm income due to changes in product prices and costs of production. The average over the period shown was \$7.8 million per year.



In the next chart, we see that annual crop revenues have been almost identical to livestock revenues over the decades. The last Census of Agriculture, to be discussed in more detail next, revealed that soybeans and corn are the primary sources of crop revenues in Breckinridge County. The largest source of livestock revenues was from poultry and egg production, followed by cattle and calves. As far as I know, the solar site does not have a poultry operation.



A summary of 2022 Census of Agriculture results is provided in the next table. The solar site accounts for about three-tenths of one percent of the farmland in Breckinridge County. Soybeans accounted for about 50 percent more acreage than corn. Dividing bushels by acreage, we see that Breckinridge County had an average soybean yield of 51 bushels per acre. For corn, Breckinridge County had a yield of 149 bushels per acre. Winter wheat averaged 77 bushels per acre. Soybean revenue per bushel was \$14.11, corn revenue per bushel was \$6.18, and winter wheat revenue was \$8.11 per bushel. The average price per cow sold was \$815.

According to the developer, the 1,100+ acre site currently supports several agricultural activities. The largest land use is crop production, with corn accounting for 550 acres and soybeans 450 acres. The remaining land is used for pasture and hay. I have estimated the number of cattle grazing, using the results of a study by the University of Kentucky¹⁴. They find that beef cows need two to four acres of pasture per head, depending on the soil quality and the amount of hay used as feed. Taking the midpoint value of three acres per head, this implies that the acreage would support about 37 head of cattle.

¹⁴ <https://agecon.ca.uky.edu/sacred-cows-and-stocking-rates>

Summary Agricultural Statistics, Breckinridge County, 2022

Farms	1,249
Land in farms, acres	244,558
Corn for grain, acres	22,911
Corn for grain, bushels	3,401,160
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Soybeans, acres	34,224
Soybeans, bushels	1,749,162
Winter wheat for grain, acres	2,923
Winter wheat for grain, bushels	225,460
Hogs and pigs sold, farms	27
number	1,125
Cattle and calve inventory	29,946
Cattle and calves sold	15,390
Corn, value sold (000)	\$21,014
Soybeans, value sold (000)	\$24,677
Winter wheat for grain, value (000)	\$1,828
Hogs and pigs, value (000)	\$391
Cattle and calves sold, market value (000)	\$12,544
Farm production expenses (000)	\$83,524
Net cash farm income from operations (000)	\$41,795
Farms with net gains	566
Farms with net losses	683
Government paymens received (000)	\$2,110
Hired farm labor, workers	492
Hired farm labor (000), payroll	\$4,994

Source: 2022 Census of Agriculture, Kentucky State and County Data, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series, Part 17, February 2024.

www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/AgCensus/2022/Full_Report/Volume_1,Chapter_2_County_Level/Kentucky/

Applying county-wide yields and prices to the agricultural activity at the site gives us an estimate of the total annual agricultural revenue, as shown in the next table. Total estimated cash receipts are \$844,000.

Estimate of Annual Agricultural Revenues at Solar Site	
Corn	\$504,461
Soybeans	\$324,470
Cattle	\$15,359
Total farm revenues	\$844,290

Next, I use IMPLAN to simulate the full economic impact of these revenues on the county. One can see that this agricultural activity is predicted to support 7.6 jobs in the county and \$269,000 in labor income.

Solar Site Agribusiness, Estimated Negative County Impacts				
Impact	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct	5.57	\$199,340	\$445,462	\$844,290
Indirect	1.43	\$47,536	\$83,742	\$201,704
Induced	0.61	\$21,658	\$50,012	\$93,685
Total	7.61	\$268,535	\$579,216	\$1,139,679

Source: IMPLAN model of Breckinridge County, using 2022 economic data.

These negative farm-related jobs and labor income need to be compared to the positive economic impacts related to the solar farm. Beyond the one-time construction impacts, the solar operation generates two new annual revenue streams – the operation of the solar site and the lease payments to farmland owners.

In the body of the report, I estimated that the operation of the solar farm will support 9.6 jobs, with labor income of \$613,000 annually. I assume the lease payments are approximately \$700,000 per year. I investigated the likely effect two ways, shown in the tables labelled A and B. In Table A, I treated all the income as going to households in the income bracket \$70,000 to \$100,000. In Table B, I simulate that one-half goes to households in the income bracket \$70,000 to \$100,000. The other half is simulated at going to the banking system to pay down real estate mortgage and other debts.

The first simulation, with \$700,000 in lease payments going straight to households, results in a total of 2.2 jobs in Breckinridge County, with labor income of \$79,900. The reader may wonder where the rest of the lease dollars went. Taxes and savings reduce the amount available for spending. More importantly, in a rural county there are fewer goods and services available locally than in an urban county, and thus the dollars leak out of the county in the form of imports¹⁵. The most impacted sectors in Breckinridge County are housing, hospitals, banking, non-store retailers, limited service restaurants, and offices of physicians.

A. Estimated Annual Impact of Lease Payments				
Impact	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Induced	2.16	\$79,905	\$175,657	\$331,820
Total	2.16	\$79,905	\$175,657	\$331,820

Source: IMPLAN model of Breckinridge County, using 2022 economic data. All lease income simulated as increase in household income.

The second simulation follows the example cited above for a Michigan solar farm, where half the lease income flows directly to the banking system to pay off debts. One can see there is almost no difference in the predicted employment impact in the county. However, labor income, value added and output are much higher than those in Table A. To be conservative I will use the results in Table A in the calculation of net impacts below.

B. Estimated Annual Impact of Lease Payments				
Impact	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct	1.02	\$86,540	\$160,024	\$350,000
Indirect	0.50	\$21,259	\$33,990	\$89,842
Induced	1.29	\$47,383	\$104,817	\$197,843
Total	2.82	\$155,182	\$298,831	\$637,685

Source: IMPLAN model of Breckinridge County, using 2022 economic data. Half the lease income treated as new household income; half as new expenditures in the banking system to pay down debts.

¹⁵ By comparison, the same simulation in Jefferson County (Louisville) results in a total of 4.7 jobs, \$300,700 in labor income, value added of \$504,700, and total output of \$853,800.

Summarizing, one can see that the negative agricultural impacts are offset by the positive impacts from operating the solar site, revealing a small annual net gain in jobs and labor income.

Estimated Net Annual Breckinridge County Impacts		
	Employment	Labor Income
Farming	-7.6	-\$268,535
Solar operations	9.6	\$613,295
Lease payments to landowners	2.2	\$79,905
Net	4.1	\$424,666

Looking out over three decades, and including the impacts of construction, there is a net gain of 419 job-years and \$29.9 million in labor income to the county.

Estimated Net Economic Impact Over Three Decades			
	Year 1 Construction	Years 2 through 29, annual average	Cumulative 30 years
Solar-related employment	307.4	11.7	647.7
Solar-related labor income	\$17,822,050	\$693,200	\$37,924,861
Agricultural-related employment	-7.6	-7.6	-228.3
Agricultural-related labor income	-\$268,535	-\$268,535	-\$537,070
Net employment	299.8	4.1	419.4
Net labor income	\$17,553,515	\$424,666	\$29,868,818

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RE: Clover Creek Solar Project, LLC d/b/a, New Frontiers Solar Park, near Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, KY

Mr. Glotfelty

At your request, I have considered the impact of a solar farm proposed to be constructed on approximately 890 acres out of an 1,100-acre assemblage of land located near Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, Kentucky. Specifically, I have been asked to give my professional opinion on the proposed solar farm will have any impact on adjoining property value and whether “the location and character of the use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located.”

To form an opinion on these issues, I have researched and visited existing and proposed solar farms in Kentucky as well as other states, researched articles through the Appraisal Institute and other studies, and discussed the likely impact with other real estate professionals. I have not been asked to assign any value to any specific property.

This letter is a limited report of a real property appraisal consulting assignment. My client is Clover Creek Solar Project, LLC d/b/a New Frontiers Solar Park represented to me by Mr. Chase Glotfelty. My findings support the Kentucky Siting Board Application. The effective date of this consultation is October 29, 2024.

While based in NC, I am also a Kentucky State Certified General Appraiser #5522.

Conclusion

The adjoining properties are well set back from the proposed solar panels. The closest non-participating home will be approximately 500 feet from the nearest panel with an average distance of 970 feet.

The matched pair analysis shows no impact on home values due to abutting or adjoining a solar farm as well as no impact to abutting or adjacent vacant residential or agricultural land where the solar farm is properly screened and buffered. The criteria that typically correlates with downward adjustments on property values such as noise, odor, and traffic all indicate that a solar farm is a compatible use for rural/residential transition areas and that it would function in a harmonious manner with this area.

Data from the university studies, broker commentary, and other appraisal studies support a finding of no impact on property value adjoining a solar farm with proper setbacks and landscaped buffers.

Very similar solar farms in very similar areas have been found by hundreds of towns and counties not to have a substantial negative effect to abutting or adjoining properties, and many of those findings of no impact have been upheld by appellate courts. Similar solar farms have been approved with adjoining agricultural uses, schools, churches, and residential developments.

Based on the data and analysis in this report, it is my professional opinion that the solar farm proposed at the subject property will have no impact on the value of adjoining or abutting properties and that the proposed use is in harmony with the area in which it is located. I note that some of the positive implications of a solar farm that have been expressed by people living next to solar farms include protection from future development of residential developments or other more intrusive uses, reduced dust, odor and chemicals from former farming operations, protection from light pollution at night, it is quiet, and there is minimal traffic.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,



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I. Proposed Project and Adjoining Uses

Proposed Use Description

This solar farm is proposed to be constructed on approximately 890 acres out of a 1,100-acre assemblage near Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, Kentucky.

Adjoining Properties

I have considered adjoining uses and included a map to identify each parcel's location. Based on the current site plan the closest adjoining home will be approximately 500 feet from the nearest panel with an average distance of 970 feet

Adjoining land is primarily a mix of residential and agricultural uses, which is very typical of solar farm sites.

The breakdown of those uses by acreage and number of parcels is summarized below.

Adjoining Use Breakdown		
	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	4.28%	43.96%
Agricultural	68.10%	31.87%
Industrial	7.28%	4.40%
Religious	0.13%	1.10%
Cemetary	0.00%	1.10%
Agri/Res	19.15%	13.19%
Commercial	1.05%	4.40%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

GoogleEarth Map of Overall Project

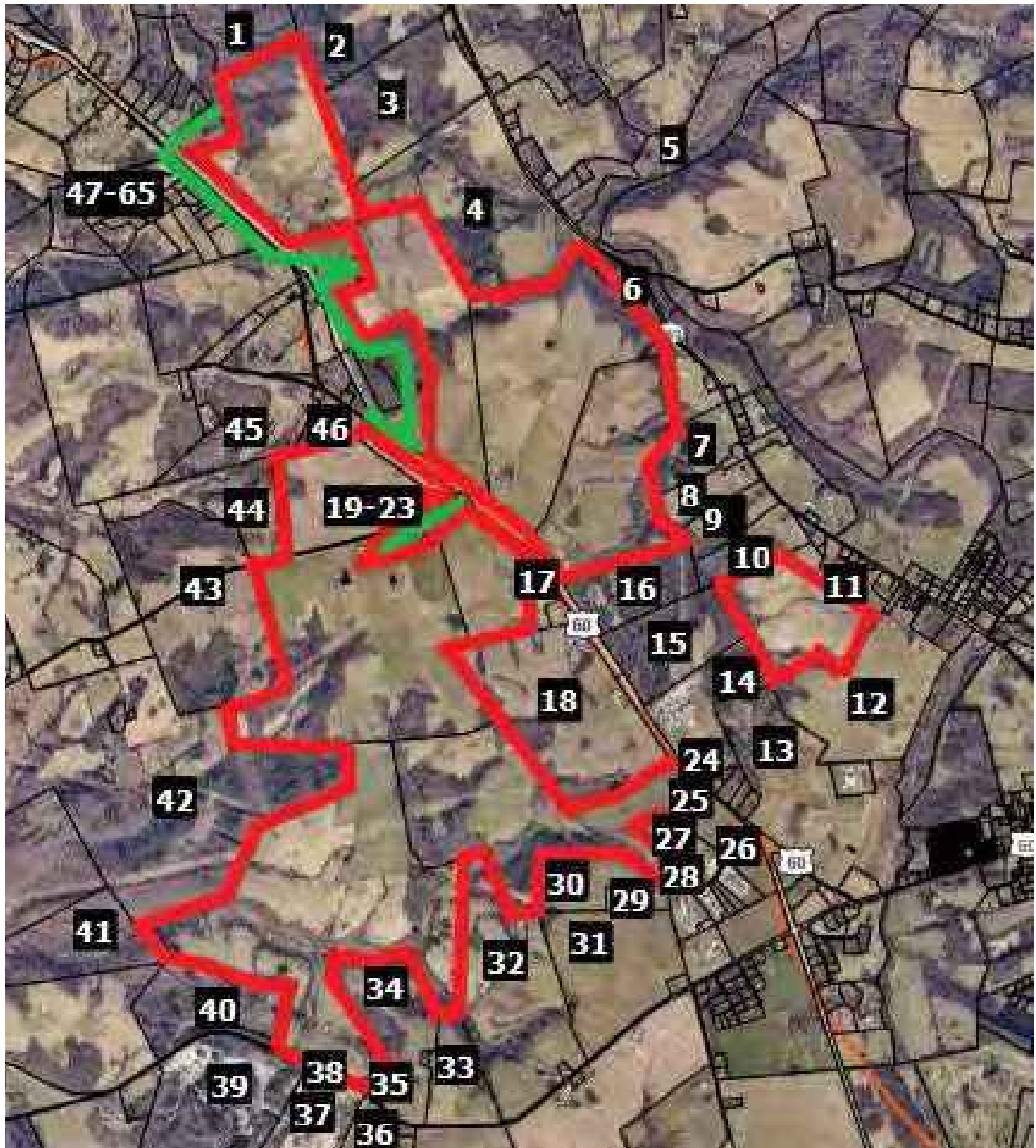
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The outlines show are the buildable area and not specifically indicative of where panels will be laid out.



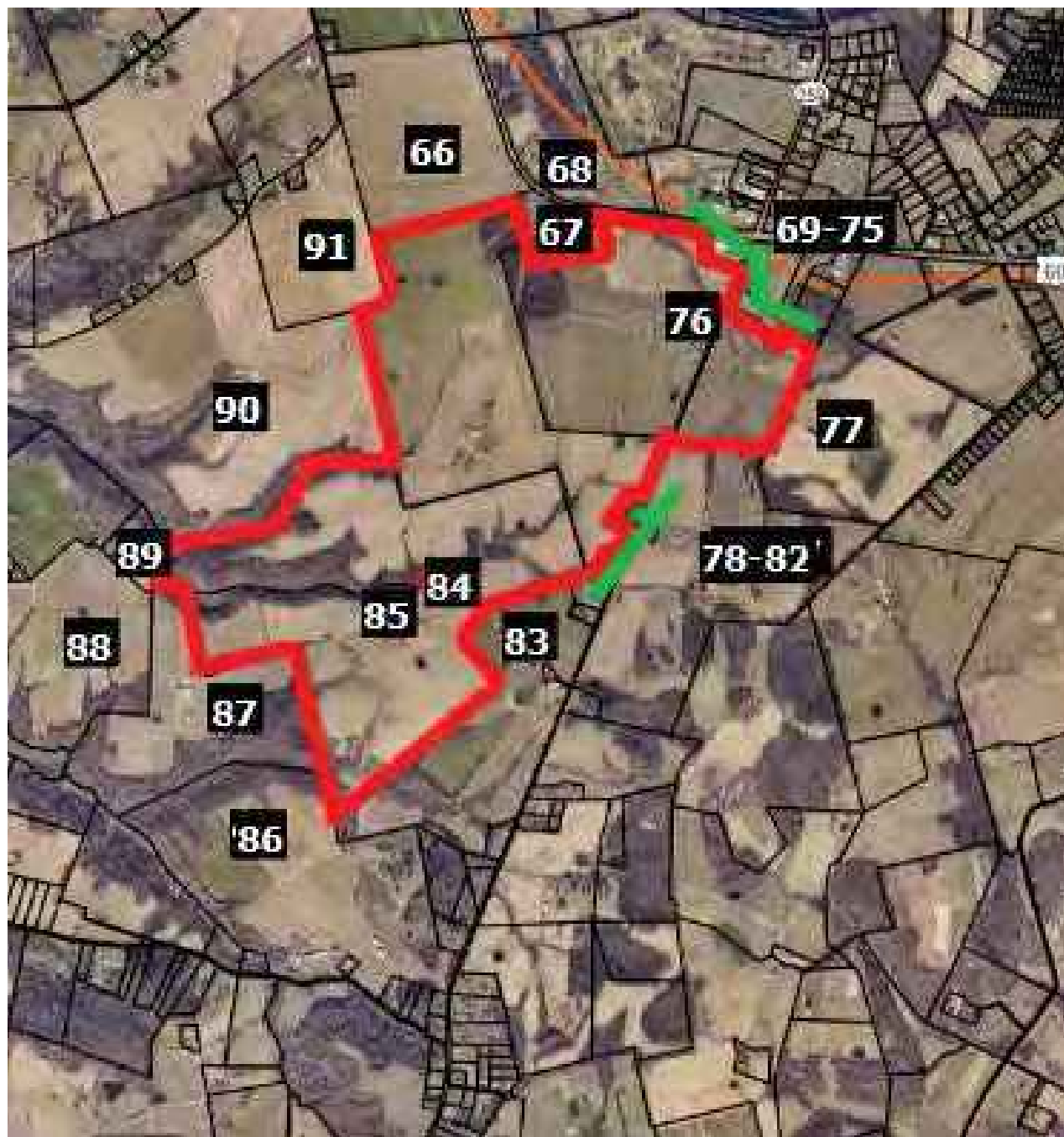
Section A - GIS Map of Adjoining Properties

All parcels shown on the map are for panel locations only and do not include collection parcels.



Section B – GIS Map of Adjoining Properties

All parcels shown on the map are for panel locations only and do not include collection parcels.



Surrounding Uses

#	MAP ID	Owner	GIS Data		Adjoin	Adjoin	Distance (ft)	L.F
			Acres	Present Use	Acres	Parcels	Home/Panel	Adjacent
1	43-17E	Bennett	126.03	Agricultural	2.31%	1.10%	N/A	1650
2	43-27	Henning	125.56	Agricultural	2.30%	1.10%	N/A	1100
3	44-9	Payne	198.67	Agricultural	3.64%	1.10%	N/A	1685
4	44-11	Payne	44.11	Residential	0.81%	1.10%	1,705	6230
5	58-6	Dowell	94.25	Agricultural	1.73%	1.10%	N/A	1
6	58-10A	Pile	37.66	Agricultural	0.69%	1.10%	N/A	3850
7	58-14B	Pile	27.67	Agri/Res	0.51%	1.10%	1,260	1395
8	58-14C	Henning	23.19	Agri/Res	0.42%	1.10%	1,780	660
9	58-26	Henning	23.26	Agri/Res	0.43%	1.10%	1,255	280
10	58-14A	Henning	32.34	Agri/Res	0.59%	1.10%	850	1280
11	59-11A	Williams	19.55	Residential	0.36%	1.10%	835	1905
12	59-15	Burke	111.80	Agricultural	2.05%	1.10%	N/A	2810
13	59-8	DAS Land LLC	131.28	Agricultural	2.40%	1.10%	N/A	1
14	59-7	Texas Gas	79.00	Industrial	1.45%	1.10%	N/A	980
15	59-7A	N/A	67.24	Agricultural	1.23%	1.10%	N/A	1055
16	59-2	Texas Gas	50.00	Agricultural	0.92%	1.10%	N/A	2380
17	58-13	N/A	5.76	Residential	0.11%	1.10%	530	1380
18	59-3	Martin	148.60	Agri/Res	2.72%	1.10%	1,295	7150
19	44-23C	Skillman	7.12	Residential	0.13%	1.10%	N/A	2430
20	44-23D	Skillman	0.23	Cemetary	0.00%	1.10%	N/A	210
21	44-23B	Skillman	0.97	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	535	635
22	44-27	Burke	1.33	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	N/A	1115
23	44-23A	Small	1.28	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	500	785
24	59-8A	Allen	0.36	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	1,180	1
25	59-4	Beard	3.03	Residential	0.06%	1.10%	945	775
26	59-4C	O'Connell	26.21	Agricultural	0.48%	1.10%	N/A	435
27	59-4H	Atlas Machine	22.37	Commercial	0.41%	1.10%	N/A	1865
28	59-4I	SC Group	3.41	Residential	0.06%	1.10%	N/A	545
29	59-4E-1-1	SC Group	10.00	Residential	0.18%	1.10%	N/A	225
30	59-4E-1	Breckingridge	35.00	Agricultural	0.64%	1.10%	N/A	3290
31	59-21	JLB Real	96.00	Agricultural	1.76%	1.10%	N/A	1
32	45-9	JLB Real	614.84	Agricultural	11.26%	1.10%	N/A	4780
33	45-12	Kennedy	50.00	Agri/Res	0.92%	1.10%	3,670	395
34	45-10	Kennedy	66.14	Agricultural	1.21%	1.10%	N/A	5140
35	45-10A	Lentz	3.40	Residential	0.06%	1.10%	3,125	475
36	45-15C	Mago	37.60	Agricultural	0.69%	1.10%	N/A	1
37	45-14	Mago	114.52	Industrial	2.10%	1.10%	N/A	850
38	45-14A	N/A	1.11	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	N/A	200
39	45-13	Mago	135.65	Industrial	2.48%	1.10%	N/A	600
40	45-9A	Mago	68.46	Industrial	1.25%	1.10%	N/A	3535

Surrounding Uses

#	MAP ID	Owner	GIS Data		Adjoin	Adjoin	Distance (ft)	L.F
			Acres	Present Use	Acres	Parcels	Home/Panel	Adjacent
41	45-1B	Strubie	70.00	Agricultural	1.28%	1.10%	N/A	790
42	45-1	Skillman	531.86	Agricultural	9.74%	1.10%	N/A	8195
43	44-29	Akridge	154.00	Agri/Res	2.82%	1.10%	855	3405
44	44-28	Keenan	65.00	Agri/Res	1.19%	1.10%	510	2255
45	44-24A	Armes	69.80	Agricultural	1.28%	1.10%	N/A	395
46	44-24	Armes	13.37	Residential	0.24%	1.10%	570	1040
47	44-18	Critchelow	0.82	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	535	205
48	44	King	0.50	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	515	255
49	44-21D	Wilson	9.34	Residential	0.17%	1.10%	510	1753
50	44-21	Wilson	0.48	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	N/A	725
51	44-21C	Bennett	19.45	Residential	0.36%	1.10%	N/A	1965
52	44-19	Critchelow	5.94	Residential	0.11%	1.10%	1,150	185
53	44-18	Bennett	30.61	Agricultural	0.56%	1.10%	N/A	3480
54	44-18D	Bennett	2.02	Residential	0.04%	1.10%	520	605
55	44-18B	Fentress	76.86	Agricultural	1.41%	1.10%	N/A	55
56	44-16G	Young	34.41	Agri/Res	0.63%	1.10%	500	1230
57	44-16F	Bennett	0.77	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	N/A	120
58	44-16B	Lee	2.00	Residential	0.04%	1.10%	560	365
59	44-16E-1	Lee	1.25	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	N/A	130
60	44-16A	Lee	7.77	Residential	0.14%	1.10%	N/A	190
61	44-13A	Santiesrebain	0.24	Residential	0.00%	1.10%	N/A	90
62	44-13	Santiesrebain	2.76	Residential	0.05%	1.10%	950	125
63	44-7	Tindle	31.93	Agricultural	0.58%	1.10%	N/A	1
64	44-8B	Lee	8.91	Residential	0.16%	1.10%	530	1225
65	43-17I	N/A	23.50	Agricultural	0.43%	1.10%	N/A	850
66	59-24	JLB	125.50	Agricultural	2.30%	1.10%	N/A	2220
67	74-1K	Hardinsburg	7.28	Religious	0.13%	1.10%	500	2555
68	74-1I	Goodman	93.38	Agricultural	1.71%	1.10%	N/A	830
69	74-1C	Greenpoint	22.85	Commercial	0.42%	1.10%	N/A	560
70	74-1C-1	Hardinsburg See	7.31	Commercial	0.13%	1.10%	N/A	205
71	74-1J	Cave City	5.00	Commercial	0.09%	1.10%	N/A	935
72	74-4A	Breckingridge	14.45	Residential	0.26%	1.10%	N/A	280
73	74-1L	Breckingridge	4.89	Residential	0.09%	1.10%	N/A	1470
74	74-4E	Neff	10.34	Residential	0.19%	1.10%	N/A	1
75	74-4T	N/A	2.98	Residential	0.05%	1.10%	N/A	550
76	74-2	N/A	0.40	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	N/A	545
77	74-19	Harden	149.40	Agri/Res	2.74%	1.10%	1,295	1500
78	74-20	Mc Gary	184.18	Agri/Res	3.37%	1.10%	515	2920
79	60-6A	Flood	1.32	Residential	0.02%	1.10%	885	730
80	74-20A	Mc Gary	1.82	Residential	0.03%	1.10%	1,095	95

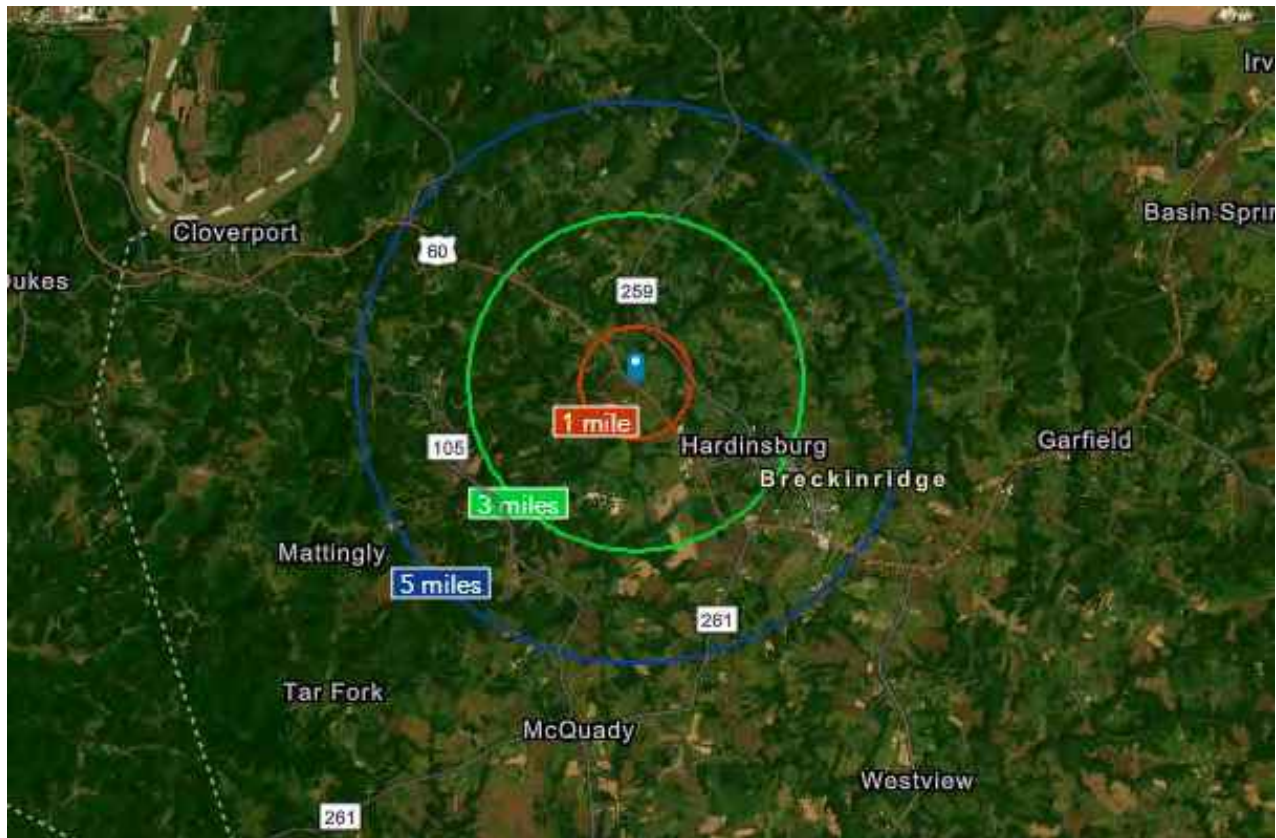
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			Acres	Present Use	Acres	Parcels	Home/Panel	Adjacent
81	60-6B	Frank	0.78	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	555	460
82	60-11-1	Henning	5.71	Residential	0.10%	1.10%	N/A	475
83	60-11	O'Reilly	153.57	Agri/Res	2.81%	1.10%	700	5980
84	60-10B	Miller	0.64	Residential	0.01%	1.10%	570	755
85	60-10A	Miller	1.58	Residential	0.03%	1.10%	665	1155
86	60-14	Taul	202.19	Agricultural	3.70%	1.10%	N/A	615
87	60-9	Holston	136.00	Agricultural	2.49%	1.10%	N/A	5075
88	60-8	Holston	126.00	Agricultural	2.31%	1.10%	N/A	0
89	60-4A	Heavrin	11.70	Residential	0.21%	1.10%	N/A	635
90	60-5	JLB	300.00	Agricultural	5.49%	1.10%	N/A	6115
91	60-2	Williams	82.00	Agricultural	1.50%	1.10%	N/A	1430
Total			5459.860		100.00%	100.00%	970	

Where we have listed N/A for distance from Home/Panel we did not identify a home on which to measure. For the Linear Feet of Adjacency, we have identified in red if the adjacency is across a right of way.

II. Demographics

I have pulled the following demographics for a 1-mile, 3-mile and 5-mile radius around the proposed solar farm project.





Housing Profile

3200-3548 US-60, Hardinsburg, Kentucky, 40143
 Ring: 1 mile radius

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 Longitude: -84.51011

Population		Households	
2010 Total Population	23	2022 Median Household Income	\$60,000
2020 Total Population	22	2027 Median Household Income	\$84,511
2022 Total Population	22	2022-2027 Annual Rate	7.09%
2027 Total Population	23		
2022-2027 Annual Rate	0.89%		

Housing Units by Occupancy Status and Tenure	Census 2010		2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Housing Units	13	100.0%	13	100.0%	13	100.0%
Occupied	4	30.8%	4	30.8%	4	30.8%
Owner	3	23.1%	3	23.1%	3	23.1%
Renter	1	7.7%	1	7.7%	1	7.7%
Vacant	9	69.2%	9	69.2%	9	69.2%

Owner Occupied Housing Units by Value	2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	3	100.0%	3	100.0%
<\$50,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$50,000-\$99,999	1	33.3%	1	33.3%
\$100,000-\$149,999	1	33.3%	1	33.3%
\$150,000-\$199,999	1	33.3%	1	33.3%
\$200,000-\$249,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$250,000-\$299,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$300,000-\$399,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$400,000-\$499,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$500,000-\$749,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$750,000-\$999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,000,000-\$1,499,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,500,000-\$1,999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$2,000,000+	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Median Value		\$125,000		\$125,000
Average Value		\$125,000		\$125,000

Census 2010 Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total	13	100.0%
In Urbanized Areas	0	0.0%
In Urban Clusters	0	0.0%
Rural Housing Units	13	100.0%

Data Note: Persons of Hispanic Origin may be of any race.

Source: Esri forecasts for 2022 and 2027. U.S. Census Bureau 2010 decennial Census data converted by Esri into 2020 geography.

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Housing Profile

3200-3548 US-60, Hardinsburg, Kentucky, 40143
 Ring: 3 mile radius

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Population		Households	
2010 Total Population	2,143	2022 Median Household Income	\$49,357
2020 Total Population	2,135	2027 Median Household Income	\$54,869
2022 Total Population	2,165	2022-2027 Annual Rate	2.14%
2027 Total Population	2,198		
2022-2027 Annual Rate	0.30%		

Housing Units by Occupancy Status and Tenure	Census 2010		2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Housing Units	840	100.0%	842	100.0%	840	100.0%
Occupied	751	89.4%	757	89.9%	768	91.4%
Owner	521	62.0%	586	69.6%	598	71.2%
Renter	230	27.4%	171	20.3%	170	20.2%
Vacant	87	10.4%	85	10.1%	71	8.5%

Owner Occupied Housing Units by Value	2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	587	100.0%	599	100.0%
<\$50,000	86	14.7%	84	14.0%
\$50,000-\$99,999	184	31.3%	178	29.7%
\$100,000-\$149,999	157	26.7%	154	25.7%
\$150,000-\$199,999	81	13.8%	90	15.0%
\$200,000-\$249,999	16	2.7%	18	3.0%
\$250,000-\$299,999	24	4.1%	29	4.8%
\$300,000-\$399,999	30	5.1%	37	6.2%
\$400,000-\$499,999	2	0.3%	2	0.3%
\$500,000-\$749,999	5	0.9%	5	0.8%
\$750,000-\$999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,000,000-\$1,499,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,500,000-\$1,999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$2,000,000+	2	0.3%	2	0.3%
Median Value		\$107,484		\$112,175
Average Value		\$134,540		\$140,150

Census 2010 Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total	840	100.0%
In Urbanized Areas	0	0.0%
In Urban Clusters	0	0.0%
Rural Housing Units	840	100.0%

Data Note: Persons of Hispanic Origin may be of any race.

Source: Esri forecasts for 2022 and 2027. U.S. Census Bureau 2010 decennial Census data converted by Esri into 2020 geography.

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Housing Profile

3200-3548 US-60, Hardinsburg, Kentucky, 40143
 Ring: 5 mile radius

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Population		Households	
2010 Total Population	4,404	2022 Median Household Income	\$51,261
2020 Total Population	4,356	2027 Median Household Income	\$57,069
2022 Total Population	4,416	2022-2027 Annual Rate	2.17%
2027 Total Population	4,477		
2022-2027 Annual Rate	0.27%		

Housing Units by Occupancy Status and Tenure	Census 2010		2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Housing Units	1,878	100.0%	1,882	100.0%	1,883	100.0%
Occupied	1,678	89.4%	1,675	89.0%	1,699	90.2%
Owner	1,174	62.5%	1,280	68.0%	1,308	69.5%
Renter	504	26.8%	395	21.0%	391	20.8%
Vacant	197	10.5%	206	10.9%	184	9.8%

Owner Occupied Housing Units by Value	2022		2027	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	1,281	100.0%	1,307	100.0%
<\$50,000	151	11.8%	146	11.2%
\$50,000-\$99,999	403	31.5%	386	29.5%
\$100,000-\$149,999	320	25.0%	309	23.6%
\$150,000-\$199,999	200	15.6%	222	17.0%
\$200,000-\$249,999	42	3.3%	45	3.4%
\$250,000-\$299,999	67	5.2%	82	6.3%
\$300,000-\$399,999	75	5.9%	93	7.1%
\$400,000-\$499,999	5	0.4%	5	0.4%
\$500,000-\$749,999	12	0.9%	13	1.0%
\$750,000-\$999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,000,000-\$1,499,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$1,500,000-\$1,999,999	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$2,000,000+	6	0.5%	6	0.5%
Median Value		\$113,516		\$119,660
Average Value		\$145,492		\$152,391

Census 2010 Housing Units	Number	Percent
Total	1,878	100.0%
In Urbanized Areas	0	0.0%
In Urban Clusters	0	0.0%
Rural Housing Units	1,878	100.0%

Data Note: Persons of Hispanic Origin may be of any race.
Source: Esri forecasts for 2022 and 2027. U.S. Census Bureau 2010 decennial Census data converted by Esri into 2020 geography.

III. Methodology and Discussion of Issues

Standards and Methodology

I conducted this analysis using the standards and practices established by the Appraisal Institute and that conform to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. The analyses and methodologies contained in this report are accepted by all major lending institutions, and they are used in Kentucky and across the country as the industry standard by certified appraisers conducting appraisals, market analyses, or impact studies and are considered adequate to form an opinion of the impact of a land use on neighboring properties. These standards and practices have also been accepted by the courts at the trial and appellate levels and by federal courts throughout the country as adequate to reach conclusions about the likely impact a use will have on adjoining or abutting properties.

The aforementioned standards compare property uses in the same market and generally within the same calendar year so that fluctuating markets do not alter study results. Although these standards do not require a linear study that examines adjoining property values before and after a new use (e.g. a solar farm) is developed, some of these studies do in fact employ this type of analysis. Comparative studies, as used in this report, are considered an industry standard.

The type of analysis employed is a Matched Pair Analysis or Paired Sales Analysis. This methodology is outlined in **The Appraisal of Real Estate**, Twelfth Edition by the Appraisal Institute pages 438-439. It is further detailed in **Real Estate Damages**, Third Edition, pages 33-36 by Randall Bell PhD, MAI. Paired sales analysis is used to support adjustments in appraisal work for factors ranging from the impact of having a garage, golf course view, or additional bedrooms. It is an appropriate methodology for addressing the question of impact of an adjoining solar farm. The paired sales analysis is based on the theory that when two properties are in all other respects equivalent, a single difference can be measured to indicate the difference in price between them. Dr. Bell describes it as comparing a test area to control areas. In the example provided by Dr. Bell he shows five paired sales in the test area compared to 1 to 3 sales in the control areas to determine a difference. I have used 3 sales in the control areas in my analysis for each sale developed into a matched pair.

Determining what is an External Obsolescence

An external obsolescence is a use of property that, because of its characteristics, might have a negative impact on the value of adjacent or nearby properties because of identifiable impacts. Determining whether a use would be considered an external obsolescence requires a study that isolates that use, eliminates any other causing factors, and then studies the sales of nearby versus distant comparable properties. The presence of one or a combination of key factors does not mean the use will be an external obsolescence, but a combination of these factors tend to be present when market data reflects that a use is an external obsolescence.

External obsolescence is evaluated by appraisers based on several factors. These factors include but are not limited to:

- 1) Traffic. Solar Farms are not traffic generators.
- 2) Odor. Solar farms do not produce odor.
- 3) Noise. Solar farms generate no noise concerns. A wide range of noise studies that have been completed have found them consistent with agricultural and residential areas. The noise is even less at night.

- 4) Environmental. Solar farms do not produce toxic or hazardous waste. Grass is maintained underneath the panels so there is minimal impervious surface area.
- 5) Appearance/Viewshed. This is the one area that potentially applies to solar farms. However, solar farms are generally required to provide significant setbacks and landscaping buffers to address that concern. Furthermore, any consideration of appearance of viewshed impacts has to be considered in comparison with currently allowed uses on that site. For example if a residential subdivision is already an allowed use, the question becomes in what way does the appearance impact adjoining property owners above and beyond the appearance of that allowed subdivision or other similar allowed uses.
- 6) Other factors. I have observed and studied many solar farms and have never observed any characteristic about such facilities that prevents or impedes neighbors from fully using their homes or farms or businesses for the use intended.

Market Imperfection

Throughout this analysis, I have specifically considered the influence of market imperfection on data analysis. Market imperfection is the term that refers to the fact that unlike a can of soup at the supermarket or in your online shopping cart, real estate cannot be comparison shopped for the best price and purchased at the best price for that same identical product. Real estate products are always similar and never identical. Even two adjacent lots that are identical in almost every way, have a slight difference in location. Once those lots are developed with homes, the number of differences begin to multiply, whether it is size of the home, landscaping, layout, age of interior upfit, quality of interior upfit, quality of maintenance and so on.

Neoclassical economics indicates a perfectly competitive market as having the following: A large number of buyers and sellers (no one person dominates the market), no barriers or transaction costs, homogeneous product, and perfect information about the product and pricing. Real estate is clearly not homogeneous. The number of buyers and sellers for a particular product in a particular location is limited by geography, financing, and the limited time period within a property is listed. There are significant barriers that limit the liquidity in terms of time, costs and financing. Finally, information on real estate is often incomplete or partial – especially at the time that offers are made and prices set, which is prior to appraisals and home inspections. So real estate is very imperfect based on this definition and the impact of this are readily apparent in the real estate market.

What appear to be near-identical homes that are in the same subdivision will often sell with slight variations in price. When multiple appraisers approach the same property, there is often a slight variation among all of those conclusions of value, due to differences in comparables used or analysis of those comparables. This is common and happens all of the time. In fact, within each appraisal, after making adjustments to the comparables, the appraiser will typically have a range of values that are supported that often vary more than +/-5% from the median or average adjusted value.

Based on this understanding of market imperfection, it is important to note that very minor differences in value within an impact study do not necessarily indicate either a negative or positive impact. When the impacts measured fall within that +/-5%, I consider this to be within typical market variation/imperfection. Therefore it may be that there is a negative or positive impact identified if the impact is within that range, but given that it is indistinguishable from what amounts to the background noise or static within the real estate data, I do not consider indications of +/-5% to support a finding of a negative or positive impact.

Impacts greater than that range are however, considered to be strong indications of impacts that fall outside of typical market imperfection. I have used this as a guideline while considering the impacts identified within this report.

Relative Solar Farm Sizes

Solar farms have been increasing in size in recent years. Much of the data collected is from existing, older solar farms of smaller size, but there are numerous examples of sales adjoining 75 to 80 MW facilities that show a similar trend as the smaller solar farms. This is understandable given that the primary concern relative to a solar farm is the appearance or view of the solar farm, which is typically addressed through setbacks and landscaping buffers. The relevance of data from smaller solar farms to larger solar farms is due to the primary question being one of appearance. If the solar farm is properly screened, then little of the solar farm would be seen from adjoining property regardless of how many acres are involved.

Larger solar farms are often set up in sections where any adjoining owner would only be able to see a small section of the project even if there were no landscaping screen. Once a landscaping screen is in place, the primary view is effectively the same whether you are adjoining a 5 MW, 20 MW or 100 MW facility.

I have split out the data for the matched pairs adjoining larger solar farms only to illustrate the similarities later in this report. I note that I have matched pairs adjoining solar farms up to 500 MWs in size showing no impact on property value.

Steps Involved in the Analysis

The paired sales analysis employed in this report follows the following process:

1. Identify sales of property adjoining existing solar farms.
2. Compare those sales to similar property that does not adjoin an existing solar farm.
3. Confirmation of sales are noted in the analysis write ups.
4. Distances from the homes to panels are included as a measure of the setbacks.
5. Topographic differences across the solar farms themselves are likewise noted along with demographic data for comparing similar areas.

There are a number of Sale/Resale comparables included in the write ups, but most of the data shown is for sales of homes after a solar farm has been announced (where noted) or after a solar farm has been constructed.

IV. Research on Solar Farms

A. *Appraisal Market Studies*

I have also considered a number of impact studies completed by other appraisers as detailed below.

CohnReznick – Property Value Impact Study: Adjacent Property Values Solar Impact Study: A Study of Eight Existing Solar Facilities

Patricia McGarr, MAI, CRE, FRICS, CRA and Andrew R. Lines, MAI with CohnReznick completed an impact study for a proposed solar farm in Cheboygan County, Michigan completed on June 10, 2020. I am familiar with this study as well as a number of similar such studies completed by CohnReznick. I have not included all of these studies but I submit this one as representative of those studies.

This study addresses impacts on value from eight different solar farms in Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois, Virginia and North Carolina. These solar farms are 19.6 MW, 100 MW, 11.9 MW, 23 MW, 71 MW, 61 MW, 40 MW, and 19 MW for a range from 11.9 MW to 100 MW with an average of 31 MW and a median of 31.5 MW. They analyzed a total of 24 adjoining property sales in the Test Area and 81 comparable sales in the Control Area over a five-year period.

The conclusion of this study is that there is no evidence of any negative impact on adjoining property values based on sales prices, conditions of sales, overall marketability, potential for new development or rate of appreciation.

Christian P. Kaila & Associates – Property Impact Analysis – Proposed Solar Power Plant Guthrie Road, Stuarts Draft, Augusta County, Virginia

Christian P. Kaila, MAI, SRA and George J. Finley, MAI developed an impact study as referenced above dated June 16, 2020. This was for a proposed 83 MW facility on 886 acres.

Mr. Kaila interviewed appraisers who had conducted studies and reviewed university studies and discussed the comparable impacts of other development that was allowed in the area for a comparative analysis of other impacts that could impact viewshed based on existing allowed uses for the site. He also discussed in detail the various other impacts that could cause a negative impact and how solar farms do not have such characteristics.

Mr. Kaila also interviewed County Planners and Real Estate Assessor's in eight different Virginia counties with none of the assessor's identifying any negative impacts observed for existing solar projects.

Mr. Kaila concludes on a finding of no impact on property values adjoining the indicated solar farm.

Fred Beck, MAI, CCIM – Impact Analysis in Lincoln County, North Carolina, 2013

Mr. Fred Beck, MAI, CCIM completed an impact analysis in 2013 for a proposed solar farm that concluded on a negative impact on value. That report relied on a single cancelled contract for an adjoining parcel where the contracted buyers indicated that the solar farm was the reason for the cancellation. It also relied on the activities of an assessment impact that was applied in a nearby county.

Mr. Beck was interviewed as part of the Christian Kalia study noted above. From that I quote "Mr. Beck concluded on no effect on moderate priced homes, and only a 5% change in his limited research of higher priced homes. His one sale that fell through is hardly a reliable sample."

Also noted in the Christian Kalia interview notes is a response from Mr. Beck indicating that in his opinion “the homes were higher priced homes and had full view of the solar farm.” Mr. Beck indicated in the interview if landscaping screens were employed he would not see any drop in value.

NorthStar Appraisal Company – Impact Analysis for Nichomus Run Solar, Pilesgrove, New Jersey, 2020

Mr. William J. Sapio, MAI with NorthStar Appraisal Company considered a matched pair analysis for the potential impact on adjoining property values to this proposed 150 MW solar farm. Mr. Sapio considered sales activity in a subdivision known as Point of Woods in South Brunswick Township and identified two recent new homes that were constructed and sold adjoining a 13 MW solar farm and compared them to similar homes in that subdivision that did not adjoin the solar farm. These homes sold in the \$1,290,450 to \$1,336,613 price range and these homes were roughly 200 feet from the closest solar panel.

Based on this analysis, he concluded that the adjoining solar farm had no impact on adjoining property value.

MR Valuation Consulting, LLC – The Kuhl Farm Solar Development and The Fischer Farm Solar Development – New Jersey, 2012

Mr. Mark Pomykacz, MAI MRICS with MR Valuation Consulting, LLC considered a matched pair analysis for sales near these solar farms. The sales data presented supported a finding of no impact on property value for nearby and adjoining homes and concludes that there is no impact on marketing time and no additional risk involved with owning, building, or selling properties next to the solar farms.

Mary McClinton Clay, MAI – McCracken County Solar Project Value Impact Report, Kentucky, 2021

Ms. Mary Clay, MAI reviewed a report by Kirkland Appraisals in this case and also provided a differing opinion of impact. Having testified opposite Ms. Clay, she has stated that she does not confirm her data and does not use an appropriate method for time adjustments.

The comments throughout this study are heavy in adjectives, avoids stating facts contrary to the conclusion and shows a strong selection bias.

Kevin T. Meeks, MAI – Corcoran Solar Impact Study, Minnesota, 2017

Mr. Kevin Meeks, MAI reviewed a report by Kirkland Appraisals in this case and also provided additional research on the topic with additional paired sales. The sales he considered are well presented and show that they were confirmed by third parties and all of the broker commentary is aligned with the conclusion that the adjoining solar farms considered had no impact on the adjoining home values.

Mr. Meeks also researched a 100 MW project in Chisago County, known as North Star Solar Garden in MN. He interviewed local appraisers and a broker who was actively marketing homes adjoining that solar farm to likewise support a finding of no impact on property value.

John Keefe, Chisago County Assessor, Chisago County Minnesota Assessor’s Office, 2017

This study was completed by the Chisago County Minnesota Assessor’s Office on property prices adjacent to and in close vicinity of a 1,000-acre North Star solar farm in Minnesota. The study concluded that the North Star solar farm had “no adverse impact” on property values. Mr. Keefe further stated that, “It seems conclusive that valuation has not suffered.”

Tim Connelly, MAI – Solar Impact Study of Proposed Solar Facility, New Mexico, 2023

This study is a detailed review of an Impact Study completed by Kirkland Appraisals, LLC for Rancho Viejo Solar. It goes through all of the analysis and confirms the applicability and reliability of the methods and conclusions. Mr. Connelly, MAI concurs that “the proposed solar project will not have a negative impact on market value, marketability, or enjoyment of property in the immediate vicinity of the proposed project.”

Donald Fisher, ARA, 2021

Donald Fisher has completed a number of studies on solar farms and was quoted in February 15, 2021 stating, “Most of the locations were in either suburban or rural areas, and all of those studies found either a neutral impact or, ironically, a positive impact, where values on properties after the installation of solar farms went up higher than time trends.”

Jennifer N. Pitts, MAI - Study of Residential Market Trends Surrounding Six Utility-Scale Solar Projects in Texas, 2023

This study was completed by Real Property Analytics with Ms. Pitts along with Erin M. Kiella, PhD, and Chris Yost-Bremm, PhD. This analysis considered these solar farms through different stages of the market from announcement of the project, during construction, and after construction. They found no indication of a negative impact on sales price, the ratio of sales price to listing price, or the number of Days on Market. They also researched individual sales and interviewed local brokers who confirmed that market participants were knowledgeable of the solar projects and did not result in a negative impact on sales price or marketing time.

Michael S. MaRous, MAI, CRE – Market Impact Analysis Langdon Mills Solar, Columbia County, Wisconsin, 2023

This study was completed by MaRous & Company and signed by Michael S. MaRous. This analysis included consideration of solar projects in 13 states and including 7 solar projects in Wisconsin. This includes 22 matched pairs with a conclusion on Page 70 that states “there does not appear to have been any measurable negative impact on surrounding residential property values due to the proximity of a solar farm.”

This analysis was further supported by Assessor Surveys including assessors in Wisconsin which found no instance of an assessor in Wisconsin identifying any negative impacts from solar farms on adjoining property values.

Conclusion of Impact Studies

Of the 11 studies noted 9 included actual sales data to derive an opinion of no impact on value. The two studies to conclude on a negative impact includes the Fred Beck study based on no actual sales data, and he has since indicated that with landscaping screens he would not conclude on a negative impact. The other study by Mary Clay shows improper adjustments for time, a lack of confirmation of sales comparables, and exclusion of data that does not support her initial position.

I have relied on these studies as additional support for the findings in this impact analysis.

B. Articles

I have also considered a number of articles on this subject as well as conclusions and analysis as noted below.

Farm Journal Guest Editor, March 22, 2021 – Solar’s Impact on Rural Property Values

Andy Ames, ASFMR (American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers) published this article that includes a discussion of his survey of appraisers and studies on the question of property

value related to solar farms. He discusses the university studies that I have cited as well as Patricia McGarr, MAI.

He also discusses the findings of Donald A. Fisher, ARA, who served six years at the Chair of the ASFMRA's National Appraisal Review Committee. He is also the Executive Vice President of the CNY Pomeroy Appraiser and has conducted several market studies on solar farms and property impact. He is quoted in the article as saying, "Most of the locations were in either suburban or rural areas, and all of those studies found either a neutral impact, or ironically, a positive impact, where values on properties after installation of solar farms went up higher than time trends."

Howard Halderman, AFM, President and CEO of Halderman Real Estate and Farm Management attended the ASFMRA solar talk hosted by the Indiana Chapter of the ASFMRA and he concludes that other rural properties would likely see no impact and farmers and landowners shown even consider possible benefits. "In some cases, farmers who rent land to a solar company will insure the viability of their farming operation for a longer time period. This makes them better long-term tenants or land buyers so one can argue that higher rents and land values will follow due to the positive impact the solar leases offer."

More recently in August 2022, Donald Fisher, ARA, MAI and myself led a webinar on this topic for the ASFMRA discussing the issues, the university studies and specific examples of solar farms having no impact on adjoining property values.

National Renewable Energy Laboratory – Top Five Large-Scale Solar Myths, February 3, 2016

Megan Day reports from NREL regarding a number of concerns neighbors often express. Myth #4 regarding property value impacts addresses specifically the numerous studies on wind farms that show no impact on property value and that solar farms have a significantly reduced visual impact from wind farms. She highlights that the appearance can be addressed through mitigation measures to reduce visual impacts of solar farms through vegetative screening. Such mitigations are not available to wind farms given the height of the windmills and again, those studies show no impact on value adjoining wind farms.

North Carolina State University: NC Clean Energy Technology Center White Paper: Balancing Agricultural Productivity with Ground-Based Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Development (Version 2), May 2019

Tommy Cleveland and David Sarkisian wrote a white paper for NCSU NC Clean Energy Technology Center regarding the potential impacts to agricultural productivity from a solar farm use. I have interviewed Tommy Cleveland on numerous occasions and I have also heard him speak on these issues at length as well. He addresses many of the common questions regarding how solar farms work and a detailed explanation of how solar farms do not cause significant impacts on the soils, erosion and other such concerns. This is a heavily researched paper with the references included.

North Carolina State University: NC Clean Energy Technology Center White Paper: Health and Safety Impacts of Solar Photovoltaics, May 2017

Tommy Cleveland wrote a white paper for NCSU NC Clean Energy Technology Center regarding the health and safety impacts to address common questions and concerns related to solar farms. This is a heavily researched white paper addressing questions ranging from EMFs, fire safety, as well as vegetation control and the breakdown of how a solar farm works.

C. Broker Commentary

In the process of working up the matched pairs used later in this report, I have collected comments from brokers who have actually sold homes adjoining solar farms indicating that the solar farm had no impact on the marketing, timing, or sales price for the adjoining homes. I have comments from

brokers noted within the solar farm write ups of this report including brokers from Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, and North Carolina. I have additional commentary from other states including New Jersey and Michigan that provide the same conclusion.

V. University Studies

I have also considered the following studies completed by four different universities related to solar farms and impacts on property values.

A. University of Texas at Austin, May 2018

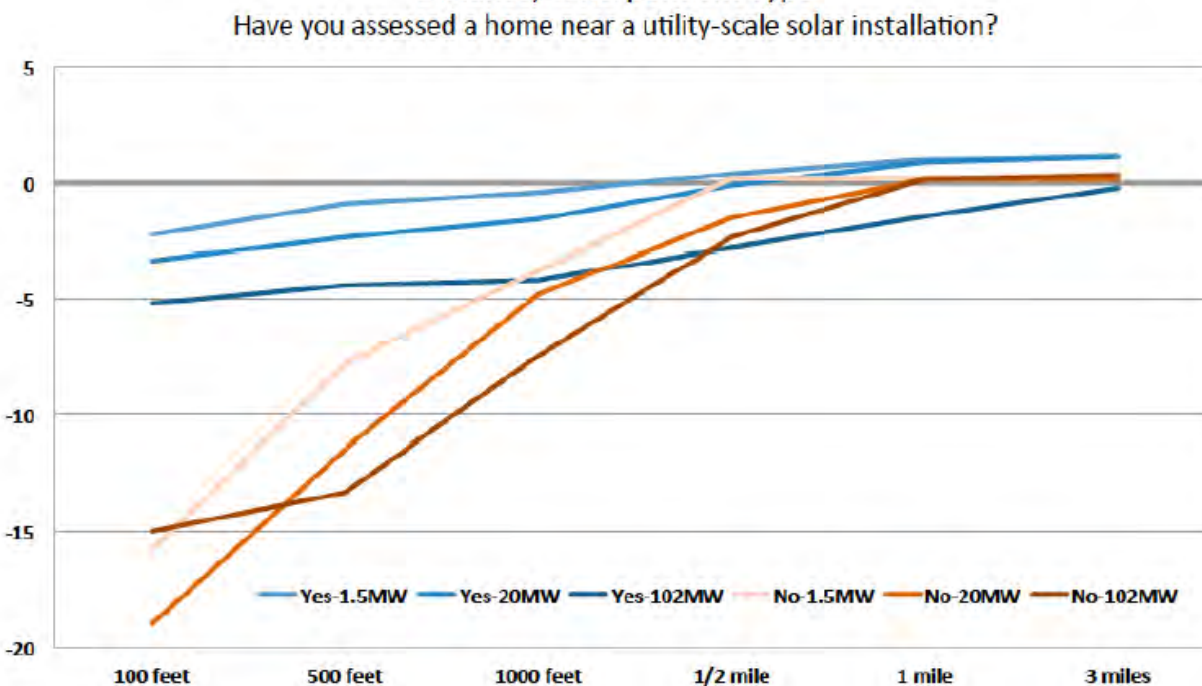
An Exploration of Property-Value Impacts Near Utility-Scale Solar Installations

This study considers solar farms from two angles. First it looks at where solar farms are being located and concludes that they are being located primarily in low density residential areas where there are fewer homes than in urban or suburban areas.

The second part is more applicable in that they conducted a survey of appraisers/assessors on their opinions of the possible impacts of proximity to a solar farm. They consider the question in terms of size of the adjoining solar farm and how close the adjoining home is to the solar farm. I am very familiar with this part of the study as I was interviewed by the researchers multiple times as they were developing this. One very important question that they ask within the survey is very illustrative. They asked if the appraiser being surveyed had ever appraised a property next to a solar farm. There is a very noticeable divide in the answers provided by appraisers who have experience appraising property next to a solar farm versus appraisers who self-identify as having no experience or knowledge related to that use.

On Page 16 of that study they have a chart showing the responses from appraisers related to proximity to a facility and size of the facility, but they separate the answers as shown below with appraisers with experience in appraising properties next to a solar farm shown in blue and those inexperienced shown in brown. Even within 100 feet of a 102 MW facility the response from experienced appraisers were -5% at most on impact. While inexperienced appraisers came up with significantly higher impacts. This chart clearly shows that an uninformed response widely diverges from the sales data available on this subject.

Chart B.2 - Estimates of Property Value Impacts (%) by Size of Facility, Distance, & Respondent Type



Furthermore, the question cited above does not consider any mitigating factors such as landscaping buffers or screens which would presumably reduce the minor impacts noted by experienced appraisers on this subject.

The conclusion of the researchers is shown on Page 23 indicated that “Results from our survey of residential home assessors show that the majority of respondents believe that proximity to a solar installation has either no impact or a positive impact on home values.”

This analysis supports the conclusion of this report that the data supports no impact on adjoining property values. The only impact suggested by this study is -5% if a home was within 100 feet of a 100 MW solar farm with little to no landscaping screening. The proposed project has a landscaping screening, is much further setback than 100 feet from adjoining homes, and is less than 100 MW.

B. University of Rhode Island, September 2020

Property Value Impacts of Commercial-Scale Solar Energy in Massachusetts and Rhode Island

The University of Rhode Island published a study entitled **Property Value Impacts of Commercial-Scale Solar Energy in Massachusetts and Rhode Island** on September 29, 2020 with lead researchers being Vasundhara Gaur and Corey Lang. I have read that study and interviewed Mr. Corey Lang related to that study. This study is often cited by opponents of solar farms but the findings of that study have some very specific caveats according to the report itself as well as Mr. Lang from the interview.

While that study does state in the Abstract that they found depreciation of homes within 1-mile of a solar farm, that impact is limited to non-rural locations. On Pages 16-18 of that study under Section 5.3 Heterogeneity in treatment effect they indicate that the impact that they found was limited to non-rural locations with the impact in rural locations effectively being zero. For the study they defined “rural” as a municipality/township with less than 850 population per square mile.

They further tested the robustness of that finding and even in areas up to 2,000 population per square mile they found no statistically significant data to suggest a negative impact. They have not specifically defined a point at which they found negative impacts to begin, as the sensitivity study stopped checking at the 2,000-population per square mile.

Where they did find negative impacts was in high population density areas that was largely a factor of running the study in Massachusetts and Rhode Island which the study specifically cites as being the 2nd and 3rd most population dense states in the USA. Mr. Lang in conversation as well as in recorded presentations has indicated that the impact in these heavily populated areas may reflect a loss in value due to the scarce greenery in those areas and not specifically related to the solar farm itself. In other words, any development of that site might have a similar impact on property value.

Based on this study I have checked the population for the Hardinsburg CCD and Cloverport CCD of Breckinridge County. Hardinsburg CCD has a population of 5,296 population for 2024 based on HomeTownLocator using Census Data and a total area of 85.42 square miles. This indicates a population density of 62 people per square mile which puts this well below the threshold indicated by the Rhode Island Study. Cloverport CCD has a population of 3,012 population for 2024 based on HomeTownLocator using Census Data and a total area of 111.56 square miles. This indicates a population density of 27 people per square mile which puts this well below the threshold indicated by the Rhode Island Study.

I therefore conclude that the Rhode Island Study supports the indication of no impact on adjoining properties for the proposed solar farm project.

Hardinsburg Division Data & Demographics (As of July 1, 2022)

POPULATION		HOUSING	
Total Population	5,296 (100%)	Total HU (Housing Units)	2,322 (100%)
Population in Households	5,004 (94.5%)	Owner Occupied HU	1,561 (67.2%)
Population in Families	4,045 (76.4%)	Renter Occupied HU	500 (21.5%)
Population in Group Quarters ¹	292 (5.5%)	Vacant Housing Units	261 (11.2%)
Population Density	62	Median Home Value	\$115,648
Diversity Index ²	19	Average Home Value	\$151,874
		Housing Affordability Index ³	210

INCOME		HOUSEHOLDS	
Median Household Income	\$52,535	Total Households	2,061
Average Household Income	\$68,001	Average Household Size	2.43
% of Income for Mortgage ⁴	12%	Family Households	1,353
Per Capita Income	\$26,531	Average Family Size	3
Wealth Index ⁵	55		

Cloverport Division Data & Demographics (As of July 1, 2022)

POPULATION		HOUSING	
Total Population	3,012 (100%)	Total HU (Housing Units)	1,377 (100%)
Population in Households	3,012 (100.0%)	Owner Occupied HU	969 (70.4%)
Population in Families	2,506 (83.2%)	Renter Occupied HU	233 (16.9%)
Population in Group Quarters ¹	0	Vacant Housing Units	175 (12.7%)
Population Density	27	Median Home Value	\$111,512
Diversity Index ²	15	Average Home Value	\$125,439
		Housing Affordability Index ³	234

INCOME		HOUSEHOLDS	
Median Household Income	\$56,031	Total Households	1,202
Average Household Income	\$68,089	Average Household Size	2.51
% of Income for Mortgage ⁴	11%	Family Households	834
Per Capita Income	\$27,172	Average Family Size	3
Wealth Index ⁵	49		

C. Georgia Institute of Technology, October 2020 **Utility-Scale Solar Farms and Agricultural Land Values**

This study was completed by Nino Abashidze as Post-Doctoral Research Associate of Health Economics and Analytics Lab (HEAL), School of Economics, Georgia Institute of Technology. This research was started at North Carolina State University and analyzes properties near 451 utility-scale ground-mount solar installations in NC that generate at least 1 MW of electric power. A total of 1,676 land sales within 5-miles of solar farms were considered in the analysis.

This analysis concludes on Page 21 of the study “Although there are no direct effects of solar farms on nearby agricultural land values, we do find evidence that suggests construction of a solar farm may create a small, positive, option -value for land owners that is capitalized into land prices. Specifically, after construction of a nearby solar farm, we find that agricultural land that is also located near transmission infrastructure may increase modestly in value.”

This study supports a finding of no impact on adjoining agricultural property values and in some cases could support a modest increase in value.

D. Master’s Thesis: ECU by Zachary Dickerson July 2018

A Solar Farm in My Backyard? Resident Perspectives of Utility-Scale Solar in Eastern North Carolina

This study was completed as part of a Master of Science in Geography Master’s Thesis by Zachary Dickerson in July 2018. This study sets out to address three questions:

1. Are there different aspects that affect resident satisfaction regarding solar farms?
2. Are there variations in satisfaction for residents among different geographic settings, e.g. neighborhoods adjacent to the solar farms or distances from the solar farms?

3. How can insight from both the utility and planning sectors, combined with knowledge gained from residents, fill gaps in communication and policy writing in regard to solar farms?

This was done through survey and interview with adjacent and nearby neighbors of existing solar farms. The positive to neutral comments regarding the solar farms were significantly higher than negative. The researcher specifically indicates on Page 46 “The results show that respondents generally do not believe the solar farms pose a threat to their property values.”

The most negative comments regarding the solar farms were about the lack of information about the approval process and the solar farm project prior to construction.

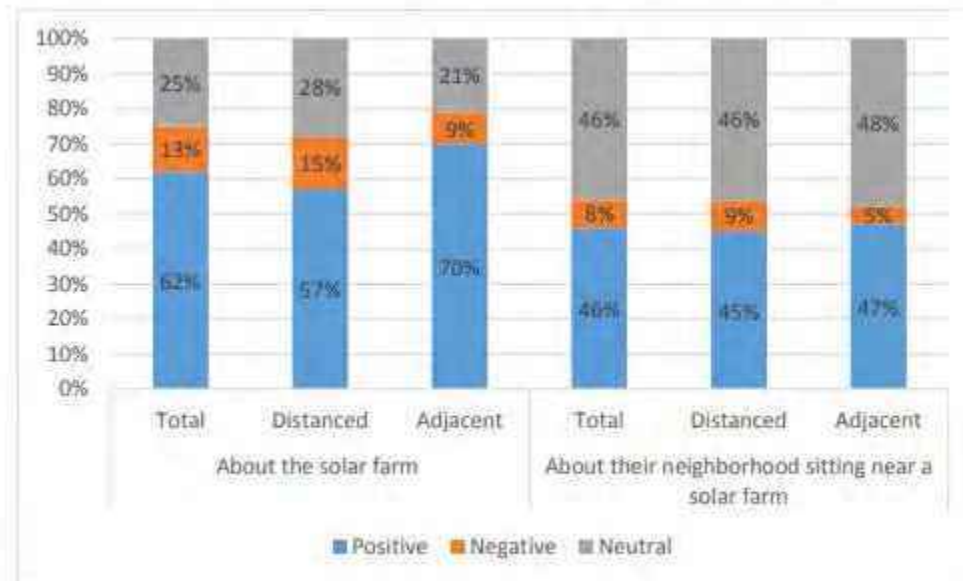
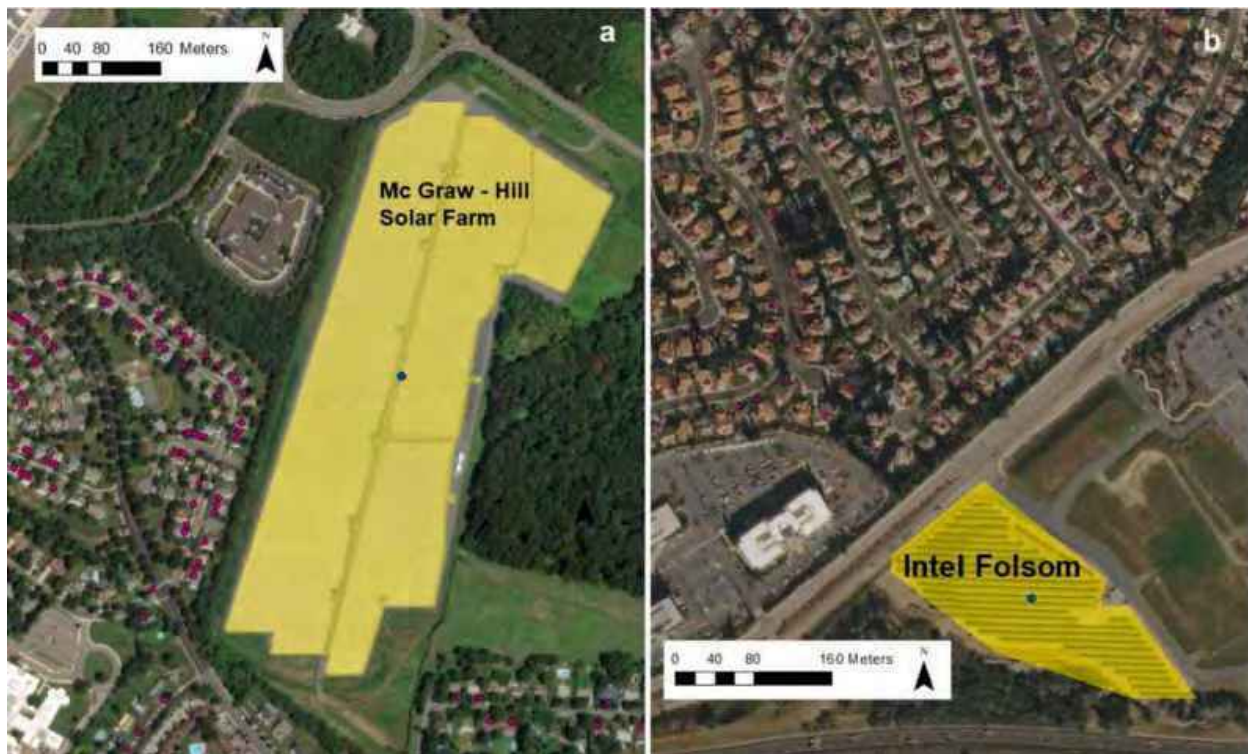


Figure 11: Residents' positive/negative word choices by geographic setting for both questions

E. Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, March 2023

Shedding light on large-scale solar impacts: An analysis of property values and proximity to photovoltaics across six U.S. states

This study was completed by researchers including Salma Elmallah, Ben Hoen, K. Sydney Fujita, Dana Robson, and Eric Brunner. This analysis considers home sales before and after solar farms were installed within a 1-mile radius and compared them to home sales before and after the solar farms at a 2-4-mile radius. The conclusion found a 1.5% impact within 0.5 mile of a solar farm as compared to homes 2-4 miles from solar farms. This is the largest study of this kind on solar and addresses a number of issues, but also does not address a number of items that could potentially skew these results. First of all, the study found no impact in the three states with the most solar farm activity and only found impacts in smaller sets of data. The data does not in any way discuss actual visibility of solar farms or address existing vegetation screens. This lack of addressing this is highlighted by the fact that they suggest in the abstract that vegetative shading may be needed to address possible impacts. Another notable issue is the fact that they do not address other possible impacts within the radii being considered. This lack of consideration is well illustrated within the study on Figure A.1 where they show satellite images of McGraw Hill Solar Farm in NJ and Intel Folsom in CA. The Folsom image clearly shows large highways separating the solar farm from nearby housing, but with tower office buildings located closer to the housing being considered. In no place do they address the presence of these towers that essentially block those homes from the solar farm in some places. An excerpt of Fig. A.1. is shown below.



For each of these locations, I have panned out a little further on Google Earth to show the areas illustrated to more accurately reflect the general area. For the McGraw Hill Solar Farm you can see there is a large distribution warehouse to the west along with a large offices and other industrial uses. Further to the west is a large/older apartment complex (Princeton Arms). To the east there are more large industrial buildings. However, it is even more notable that 1.67 miles away to the west is Cranbury Golf Club. Given how this analysis was set up, these homes around the industrial buildings are being compared to homes within this country club to help establish impacts from the solar farm. Even considering the idea that each set is compared to itself before and after the solar farm, it is not a reasonable supposition that homes in each area would appreciate at the same rates even if no solar farm was included. Furthermore the site where the solar farm is located an all of the surrounding uses not improved with residential housing to the south is zoned Research Office (RO) which allows for: manufacturing, preparation, processing or fabrication of products, with all activities and product storage taking place within a completely enclosed building, scientific or research laboratories, warehousing, computer centers, pharmaceutical operations, office buildings, industrial office parks among others. Homes adjoining such a district would likely have impacts and influences not seen in areas zoned and surrounded by zoning strictly for residential uses.





On the Intel Folsom map I have shown the images of two of the Intel Campus buildings, but there are roughly 8 such buildings on that site with additional solar panels installed in the parking lot as shown in that image. I included two photos that show the nearby housing having clear and close views of adjoining office parking lots. This illustrates that the homes in that 0.5-mile radius are significantly more impacted by the adjoining office buildings than a solar farm located distantly that are not within the viewshed of those homes. Also, this solar farm is located on land adjoining the Intel Campus on a tract that is zoned M-1 PD, which is a Light Industrial/Manufacturing zoning. Nearby homes. Furthermore, the street view at the solar farm shows not only the divided four-lane highway that separates the office buildings and homes from the solar farm, but also shows that there is no landscaping buffer at this location. All of these factors are ignored by this study. Below is another image of the Folsom Solar at the corner of Iron Point Road and Intel West Driveway which shows just how close and how unscreened this project is.



Compare that image from the McGraw Hill Street view facing south from County Rte 571. There is a distant view and much of the project is hidden by a mix of berms and landscaping. The analysis makes no distinction between these projects.



The third issue with this study is that it identifies impacts following development in areas where they note that “more adverse home price impacts might be found where LSPVPS (large-scale photovoltaic project) displace green space (consistent with results that show higher property values

near green space.” The problem with this statement is that it assumes that the greenspace is somehow guaranteed in these areas, when in fact, they could just as readily be developed as a residential subdivision and have the same impacts. They have made no effort to differentiate loss of greenspace through other development purposes such as schools, subdivisions, or other uses versus the impact of solar farms. In other words, they may have simply identified the impact of all forms of development on property value. This would in fact be consistent with the comments in the Rhode Island study where the researchers noted that the loss of greenspace in the highly urban areas was likely due to the loss of greenspace in particular and not due to the addition of solar panels.

Despite these three shortcomings in the analysis – the lack of differentiating landscape screening, the lack of consideration of other uses within the area that could be impacting property values, and the lack of consideration of alternative development impacts – the study still only found impacts between 0 and 5% with a conclusion of 1.5% within a 0.5-mile radius. As discussed later in this report, real estate is an imperfect market and real estate transactions typically sell for much wider variability than 5% even where there are no external factors operating on property value.

I therefore conclude that the minor impacts noted in this study support a finding of no impact on property value. Most appraisals show a variation between the highest and lowest comparable sale that is substantially greater than 1.5% and this measured impact for all its flaws would just be lost in the static of normal real estate transactions.

***F. Loyola University Chicago by Simeng Hao and Gilbert Michaud, 2024
Assessing Property Value Impacts Near Utility-Scale Solar in the Midwest***

This was originally part of the Master’s Thesis by Simeng Hao in 2023 but updated for publication.

This study considered 70 utility-scale facilities built in the Midwest from 2009 to 2022 using data from the Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory. Using the difference-in-differences, method he found that proximity to solar project increased property values by 0.5% to 2.0%.

Furthermore, the research in this project shows that solar farms tend to be located in places with lower average home values by 2 to 3% compared to other random adjoining zip codes. This is not to say those areas are depressed, but those rural areas on average have lower prices than more suburban or urban areas nearby. This highlights the problem with a number of the studies on this issue in that they compare home values near the solar project to homes further from the solar project, but they are largely identifying the difference between rural and less-rural areas. The impact range identified by the Berkeley Study for example is exactly in line with that random difference identified by Simeng Hao.

The original Master’s Thesis included a summary of seven other studies including many of those noted above that considered a total of 3,296 projects with results ranging from 1.7% decline in value to no impact. Only 2 of the studies identified found negative results that ranged from 0.82% to 1.7% impact on property value, while the other five studies found no consistent negative impact.

Given that 5 of the 7 studies identified show no negative impact and the analysis by Mr. Hao shows a positive relationship up to 2%, I consider this analysis to support my conclusions on no impact on property value. While statistical studies note impacts of +/- 2%, as noted earlier in this report, market imperfection is generally greater than that rate and supports a conclusion of no impact. Essentially, while the statistical studies are showing minor variation, applying that to any one particular property whether plus or minus, would be unsupportable given that market imperfection is greater than that purported adjustment.

VI. Assessor Surveys

I have completed a survey of assessors in Kentucky, I have excluded responses from assessors with no existing and no pending solar farms in those counties. The breakdown is shown below.

Kentucky Property Valuation Administrator				
County	Assessor	Existing	Proposed	Impact on Adjacent?
		Solar	Solar	
Breckinridge	Dana Bland	0	2	No
Caldwell	Ronald Wood	0	2	No
Christian	Angie Strader	4	n/a	No
Clark	Jada Brady	1	n/a	No response
Green	Sean Curry	0	2	No
Martin	Bobby Hale, Jr.	0	1	No response/hasn't come up yet
Mercer	Jessica Elliott	1	0	No
Russell	Tim Popplewell	0	1	No response/depends on sales after built
Webster	Jeffrey Kelley	0	1	No response/depends on sales after built
Whitley	Ronnie Moses	0	1	No
	Total Responses	10		
	No Impact Responses	6		
	No Response on Impact	4		

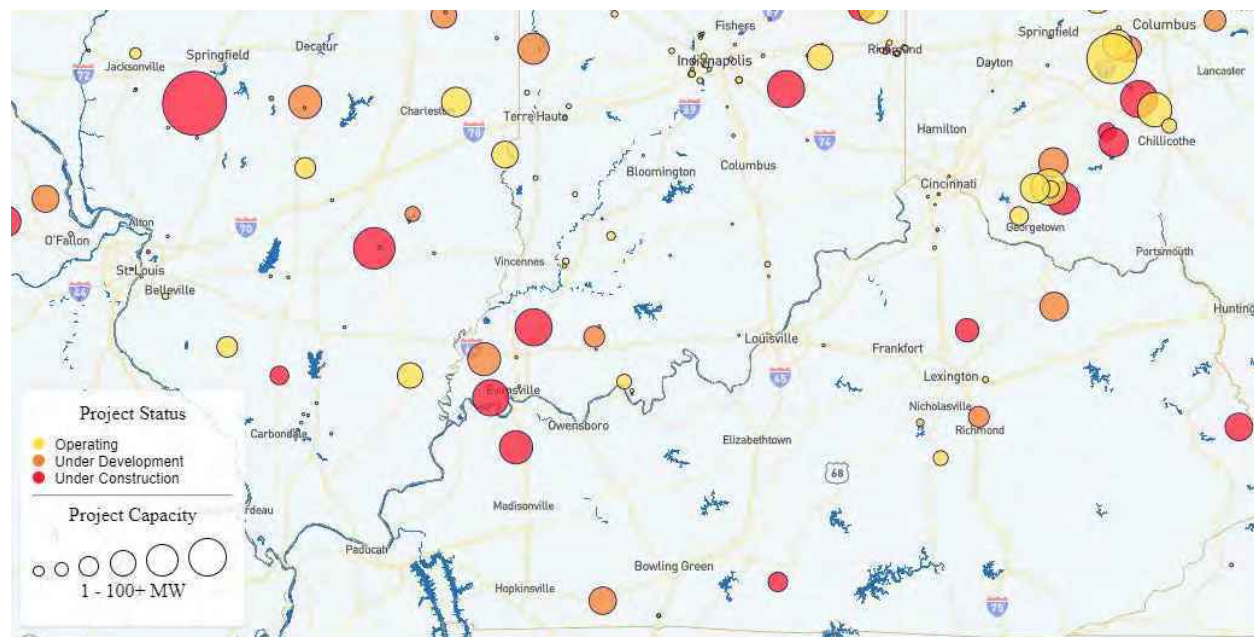
I have completed similar surveys in a number of states and I have shown the breakdown of those responses below. I have not had any assessor indicate a negative adjustment due to adjacency to a solar farm in any state. These responses total 189 with 172 definitively indicating no negative adjustments are made to adjoining property values, 17 providing no response to the question, and 0 indicating that they do address a negative impact on adjoining property value.

Summary of Assessor Surveys

State	Responses	No Impact	Yes Impact	No Comment
North Carolina	39	39		
Virginia	17	17		
Indiana	31	31		
Colorado	15	8		7
Georgia	33	33		
Kentucky	10	6		4
Mississippi	4	2		2
New Mexico	5	5		
Ohio	24	20		4
South Carolina	11	11		
Totals	189	172	0	17

VII. Summary of Solar Projects in Kentucky

I have researched the solar projects in Kentucky. I identified the solar farms through the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) Major Projects List and then excluded the roof mounted facilities. This leaves only six solar farms in Kentucky for analysis at this time. Below is a map pulled from SEIA on Major Projects and it shows projects under development in orange and under construction in red, with yellow dots representing existing solar farms. It was from this map that I have identified a list of existing and under construction solar farms researched in Kentucky.



I have provided a summary of projects below and additional detailed information on the projects on the following pages. I specifically note the similarity in most of the sites in Kentucky in terms of mix of adjoining uses, topography, and distances to adjoining homes to each other as well as to the data identified throughout the southeast.

The number of solar farms currently in Kentucky is low compared to a number of other states and North Carolina in particular. I have looked at solar farms in Kentucky for sales activity, but the small number of sites coupled with the relatively short period of time these solar farms have been in place has not provided as many examples of sales adjoining a solar farm as I am able to pull from other places. I have therefore also considered sales in other states, but I have shown in the summary how the demographics around the solar farms in other locations relate to the demographics around the proposed solar farm to show that generally similar locations are being considered. The similarity of the sites in terms of adjoining uses and surrounding demographics makes it reasonable to compare the lack of significant impacts in other areas would translate into a similar lack of significant impacts at the subject site.

Solar #	Name	County	City	Output (MW)	Total Acres	Used Acres	Avg. Dist to home	Closest Home	Adjoining Use by Acre				
									Res	Agri	Agri/Res	Com	
610	Bowling Green	Warren	Bowling Green	2	17.36	17.36	720	720	1%	64%	0%	36%	
611	Cooperative Solar I	Clarky	Winchester	8.5	181.47	63	2,110	2,040	0%	96%	3%	0%	
612	Walton 2	Kenton	Walton	2	58.03	58.03	891	120	21%	0%	60%	19%	
613	Crittenden	Grant	Crittenden	2.7	181.7	34.1	1,035	345	22%	27%	51%	0%	
617	Glover Creek	Metcalfe	Summer Shade	55	968.2	322.44	1,731	175	6%	25%	69%	0%	
618	Turkey Creek	Garrard	Lancaster	50	752.8	297.05	976	240	8%	36%	51%	5%	
656	Mount Olive Creek	Russell	Russell Springs	60	526.02	420.82	759	150	24%	28%	47%	0%	
657	Horseshoe Bend	Greene	Greensburg	60	585.65	395	1,140	285	8%	51%	41%	0%	
658	Flat Run	Taylor	Campbellsville	55	518.94	518.94	540	220	11%	70%	18%	0%	
659	Cooperative Shelby	Shelby	Simpsonville	4	35	35	N/A	N/A	6%	11%	32%	52%	
660	E.W. Brown	Mercer	Harrodsburg	10	50	50	1,026	565	3%	44%	29%	25%	
696	Fleming	Fleming	Elizaville	188	2350	2350	1,036	175	12%	37%	50%	0%	
700	Ashwood	Lyon	Fredonia	86	1537.7	1537.7	785	170	4%	46%	23%	27%	
720	Fleming 1	Fleming	Flemingburgs	98	764.5	598.6	585	150	3%	48%	49%	0%	
722	Henderson KY	Henderson	Henderson	50	1113	725.13	1,395	180	14%	57%	28%	1%	
770	Bluebird KY	Harrison	Cynthia	90	1943.2	1345	2,056	350	3%	21%	76%	0%	
771	Martin	Martin	Threeforks	100	4122		4,029	1,450	5%	94%	2%	0%	
794	Russelville	Logan	Russelville	208	1612	1612	1,058	250	4%	51%	45%	0%	
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				Average	62.7	962.1	610.6	1287	446	9%	45%	37%	9%
				Median	55.0	669.2	395.0	1035	240	6%	45%	43%	0%
				High	208.0	4122.0	2350.0	4029	2040	24%	96%	76%	52%
				Low	2.0	17.4	17.4	540	120	0%	0%	0%	0%

I have a larger list of projects that includes a number of recently proposed projects that bring this total up to 46 potential/existing solar projects in Kentucky that I have researched, but most of those additional projects are proposed and not far along in the queue towards development.

610: Bowling Green Solar, Bowling Green, KY



This project was built in 2011 and located on 17.36 acres for a 2 MW project on Scotty's Way with the adjoining uses being primarily industrial. The closest dwelling is 720 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	0.58%	10.00%
Agricultural	63.89%	30.00%
Industrial	35.53%	60.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

611: Cooperative Solar I, Winchester, KY



This project was built in 2017 on 63 acres of a 181.47-acre parent tract for an 8.5 MW project with the closest home at 2,040 feet from the closest solar panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	0.15%	11.11%
Agricultural	96.46%	77.78%
Agri/Res	3.38%	11.11%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

612: Walton 2 Solar, Walton, KY

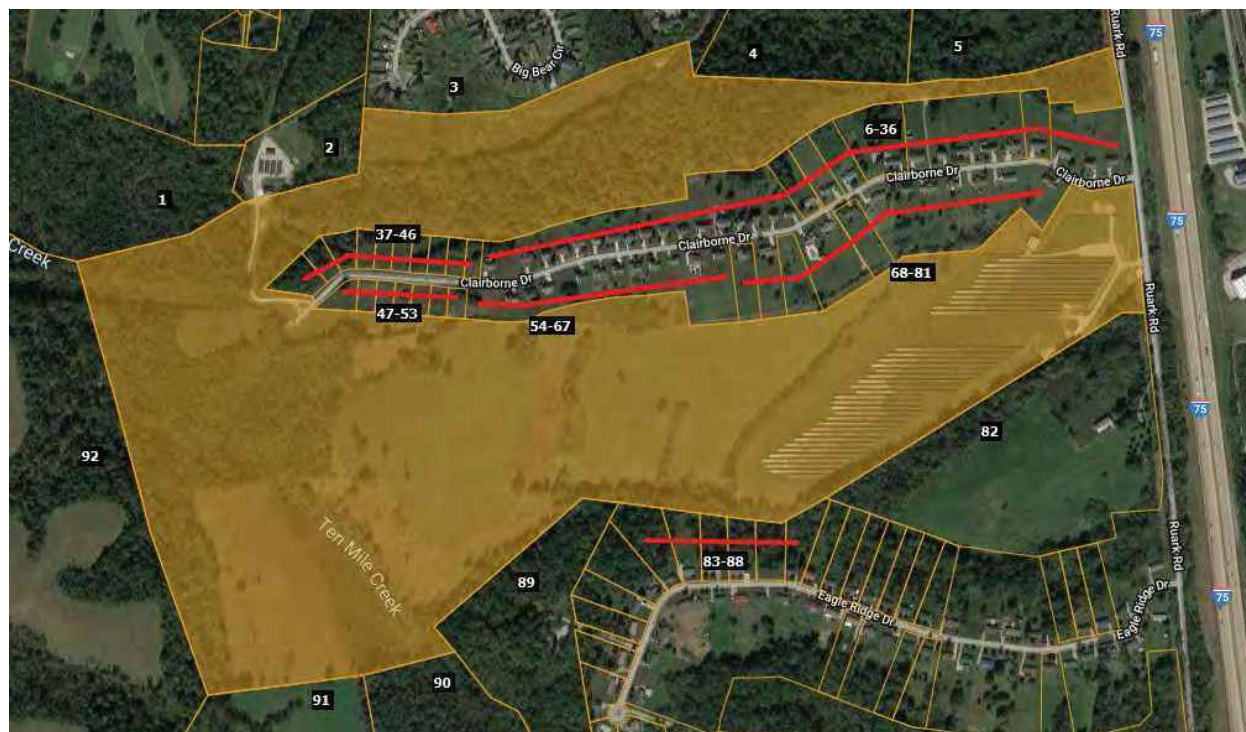


This project was built in 2017 on 58.03 acres for a 2 MW project with the closest home 120 feet from the closest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	20.84%	47.06%
Agri/Res	59.92%	17.65%
Commercial	19.25%	35.29%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

613: Crittenden Solar, Crittenden, KY



This project was built in late 2017 on 34.10 acres out of a 181.70-acre tract for a 2.7 MW project where the closest home is 345 feet from the closest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	1.65%	32.08%
Agricultural	73.39%	39.62%
Agri/Res	23.05%	11.32%
Commercial	0.64%	9.43%
Industrial	0.19%	3.77%
Airport	0.93%	1.89%
Substation	0.15%	1.89%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

617: Glover Creek Solar, Summer Shade, Metcalfe County, KY



This project under construction in 2023 and 2024 on 322.44 acres out of a 968.20-acre parent tract assemblage for a 55 MW project where the closest home is 175 feet from the closest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	5.78%	37.50%
Agricultural	19.81%	12.50%
Agri/Res	74.41%	50.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

I identified a sale of 194 acres adjoining this solar farm on January 22, 2021 for \$430,000, or \$2,216 per acre. This land was improved with a dwelling from the early 1900s and while 74 acres were in timber, the timber was reserved. Given the reserved timber and the fact that this sold prior to the construction of the solar farm, it is difficult to analyze this sale for impact.

618: Turkey Creek Solar, Lancaster, Garrard County, KY

This project was built in 2022 on 297.05 acres out of a 752.80-acre parent tract assemblage for a 50 MW project where the closest home is 240 feet from the closest panel. This project was announced in 2019 with approvals in 2020.

I identified a sale at 166 Long Branch Drive, Lancaster that sold on November 25, 2020 after the solar farm was announced for \$180,000. The prior sale of the property on February 28, 2019 was for \$160,000. Adjusting the earlier sale by the FHFA Home Price Index, the anticipated increase in value was \$181,000. This is a difference of 1% which is within typical market deviation and supports a finding of no impact on property value due to the announcement of the solar farm. This home is approximately 250 feet from the nearest solar panel.

I also identified 209 Ashlock Drive that sold on June 14, 2022 near the time construction was to be begin at this solar project. This home sold for \$500,000 for a 3,968 s.f. home with 4 BR, 4.5 BA built in 1985 on 3.06 acres. This is a unique home and it is over 1,000 feet to the nearest solar panel. It was purchase out of a larger tract that now includes 5 additional lots and this home adjoins an industrial use to the northwest. All of these factors make it difficult to analyze this sale. I have therefore not attempted to do so as any result would be non-credible given these other factors.

I also identified 1439 Stanford Road that sold on June 27, 2023 for \$1,300,000 for this 3,400 s.f. historic home on 206 acres. The home is over 1,500 feet from the panels and the site includes acreage zoned for commercial use according to the listing. There are too many unique features to this for a valid paired sales analysis. I have not attempted one for this sale.

656: Mount Olive Creek Solar, Russell Springs, Russell County, KY



This project is proposed to be built by 2025 on 420.82 acres out of a parent tract assemblage of 526.02 acres for this 60 MW project.

The closest adjoining home is 150 feet from the nearest panel.

I identified a home sale at 2985 KY-1729 that sold on December 2, 2022 for \$150,000. This home is around 1,250 feet from the nearest panel which is located to the northeast and through the intersection of Sano Road and Sulpher Creek Road (Highway 1729). It fronts on the highway and adjoins a church. Given these various issues, it would be difficult to complete a paired sales analysis on this home. However, this home did sell on September 18, 2018 for \$110,000 prior to the solar farm construction. Adjusting this purchase price upward by the FHFA Home Price Index for the area, this home would have been expected to appreciate to \$158,000. This was within 5% of the anticipated sales price and supports a finding of no impact on property value. Still given the distance to the solar farm and the other factors, I will not rely heavily on this indicator.

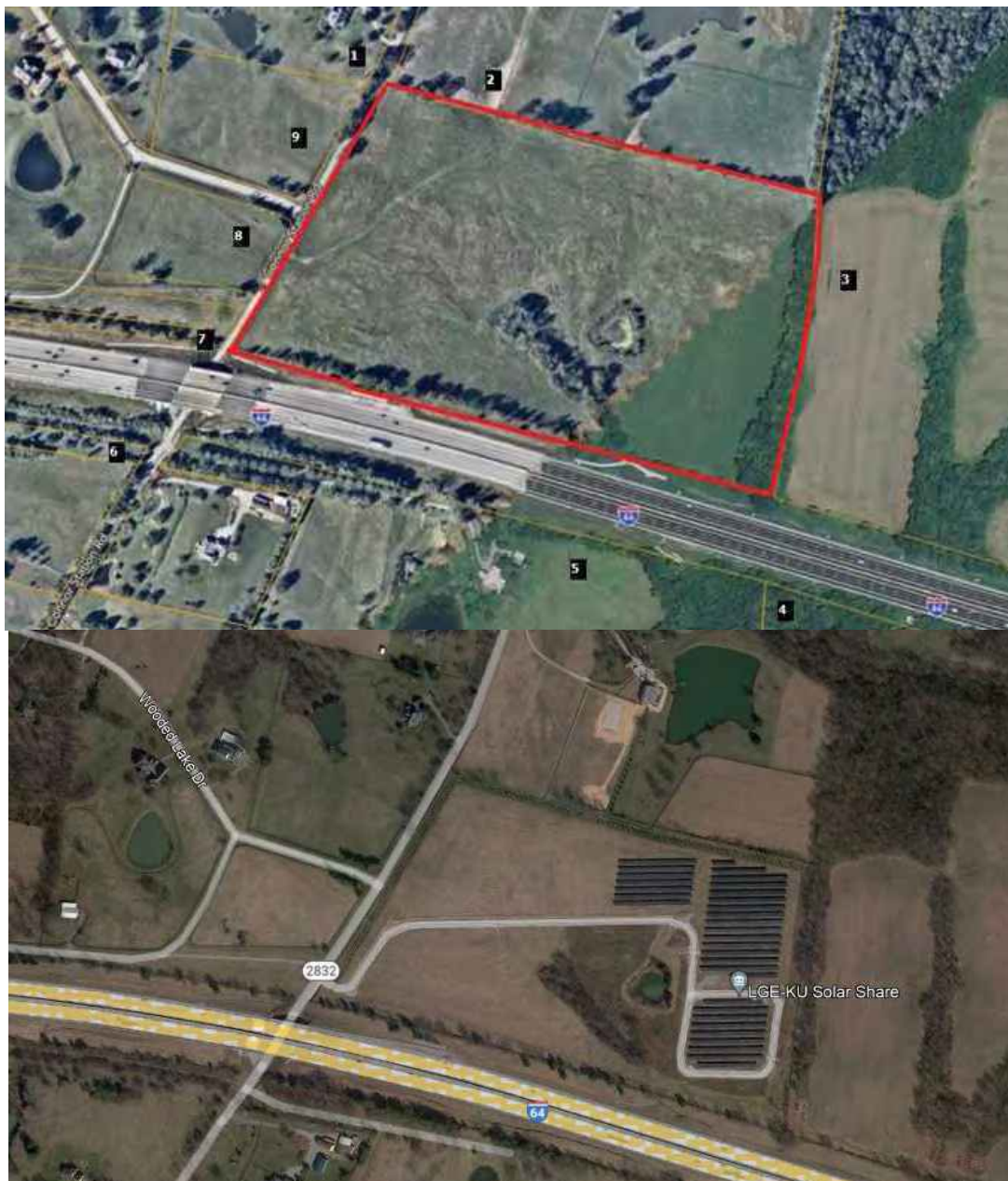
657: Horseshoe Bend Solar, Greensburg, Green County, KY



This project is proposed to be built in 2025 on 395 acres out of a parent tract assemblage of 585.65 acres for this 60 MW project.

A home located at 2814 Highway 218, Greensburg sold on March 17, 2023 for \$199,500 for a 3BR, 3 bathroom brick range on 3.75 acres located across the Highway and 1,275 feet from the nearest panel. The home is very well screened by trees and very distant and across a highway from the project. It is not a great candidate for testing for solar farm values. Furthermore it was updated since it was purchased in 2018, which minimizes the potential for a Sale/Resale analysis. All I can say is that the home was purchased in 2018 for \$127,000 and sold 5 years later at a significantly higher price, though I don't know how much of that is attributable to the updates.

659: Cooperative Shelby Solar, Simpsonville, KY



This project was built in 2020 on 35 acres for a 0.5 MW project that is approved for expansion up to 4 MW.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	6.04%	44.44%
Agricultural	10.64%	11.11%
Agri/Res	31.69%	33.33%
Institutional	51.62%	11.11%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

660: E.W. Brown Solar, Harrodsburg, KY

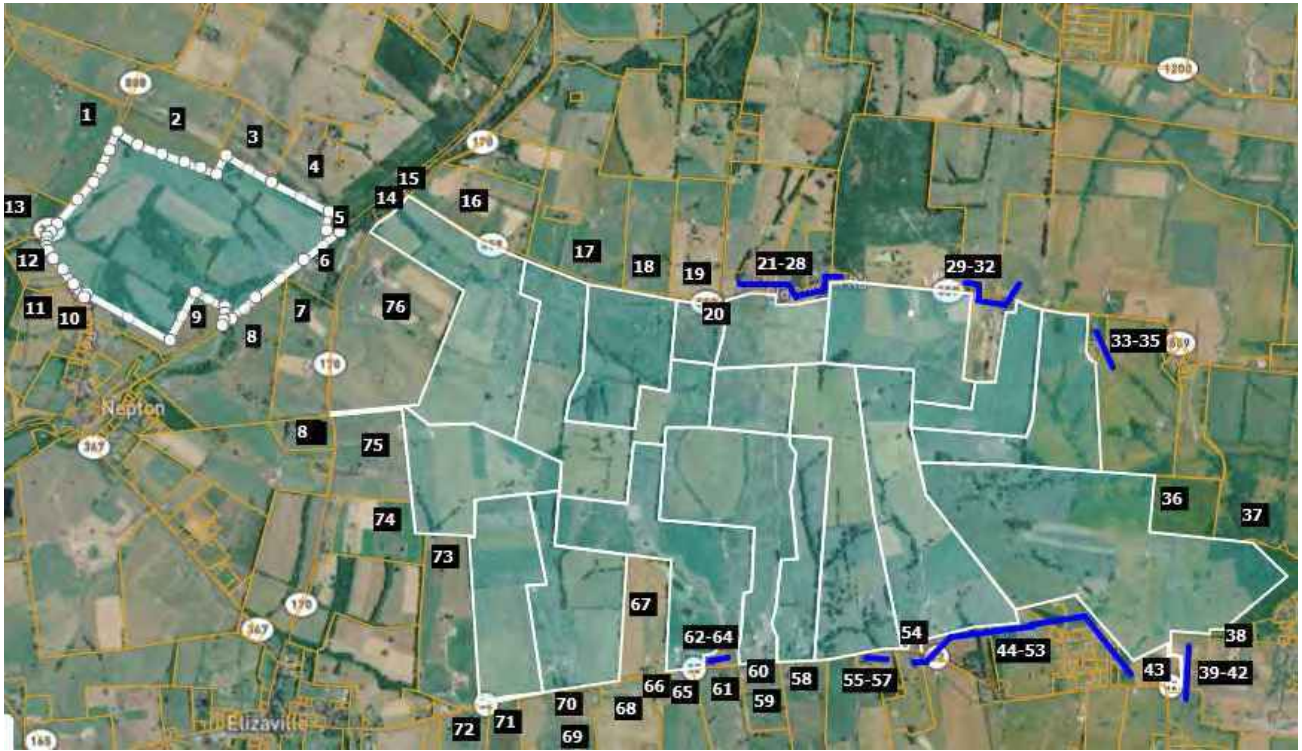


This project was built in 2016 on 50 acres for a 10 MW project. This solar facility adjoins three coal-fired units, which makes analysis of these nearby home sales problematic as it is impossible to extract the impact of the coal plant on the nearby homes especially given the lake frontage of the homes shown.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	2.77%	77.27%
Agricultural	43.92%	9.09%
Agri/Res	28.56%	9.09%
Industrial	24.75%	4.55%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

696: AEUG Fleming Solar, Elizaville, Fleming County, KY



This project is proposed to be developed in 2026 for a 188 MW project on a parent tract of 2,350 acres. The closest adjoining home is to be 175 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	11.80%	48.68%
Agricultural	37.47%	18.42%
Agri/Res	50.22%	30.26%
Religious	0.20%	1.32%
Commercial	0.30%	1.32%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

700: Ashwood Solar, Fredonia, Lyon County, KY

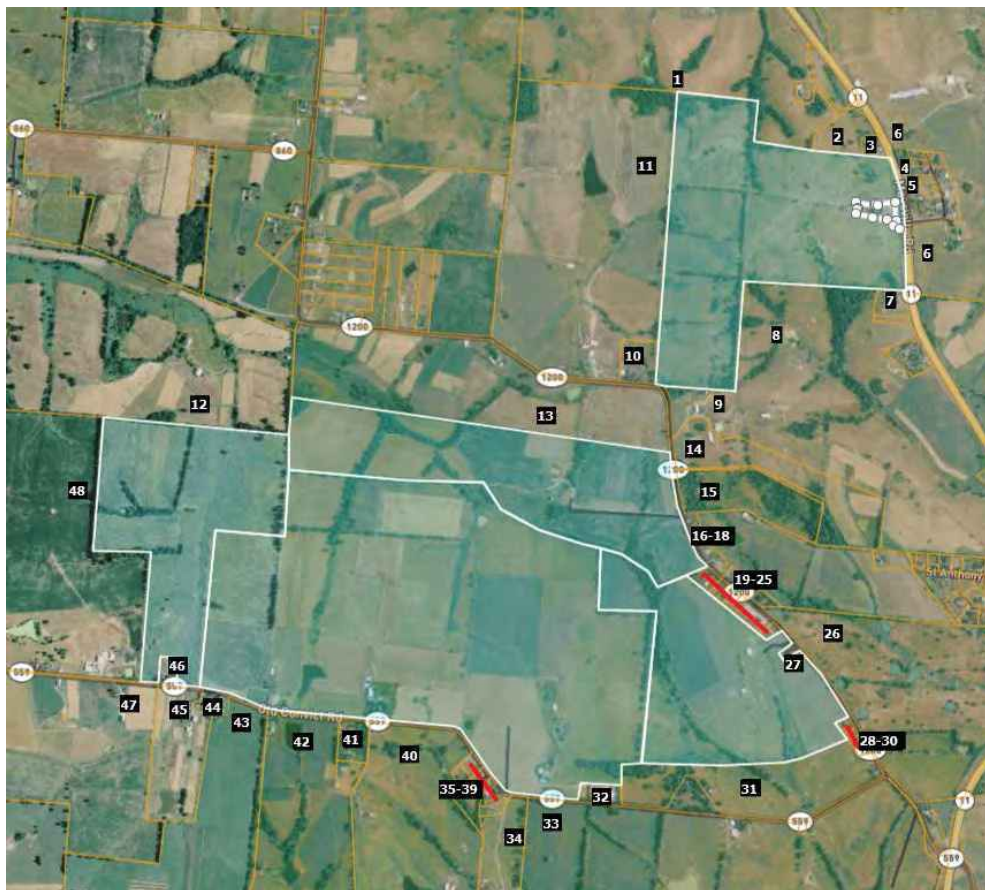


This project broke ground in 2023 and expected to be complete in 2024 according to RWE’s website. It is located on 1,537.70 acres for an 86 MW project on Coleman Doles Road near Fredonia. The closest dwelling was proposed to be 170 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	3.70%	54.05%
Agricultural	46.11%	24.32%
Agri/Res	22.99%	18.92%
Correctional	27.20%	2.70%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

720: Fleming 2 Solar, Flemingsburg, Fleming County, KY

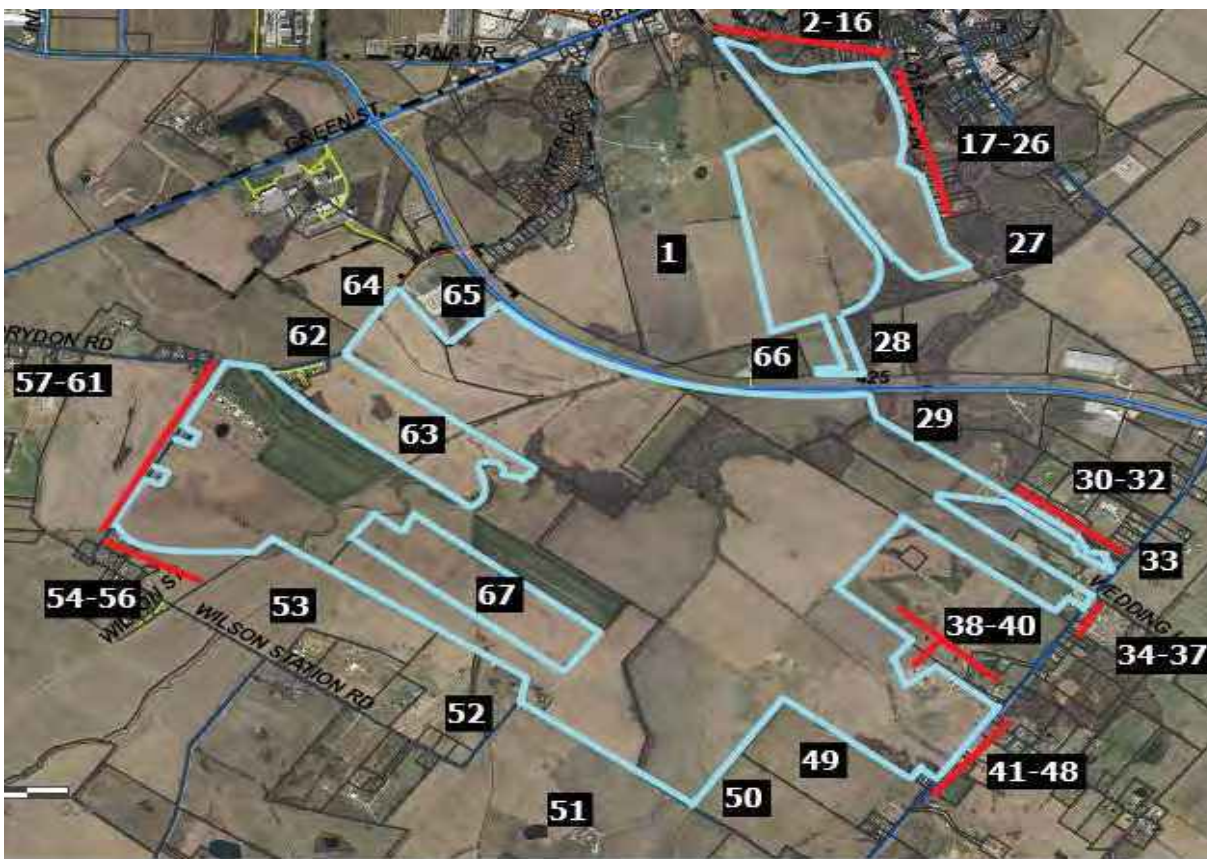


This project is currently proposed to be completed in 2024 according to RWE's website and is located on 598.60 acres out of a 764.50-acre assemblage for a 98 MW project on Old Convict Road. The closest dwelling is proposed to be 150 feet from the nearest panel. This is part of the same project as the AEUG Fleming Solar located just north and east of the earlier reported section, but being developed first.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	2.93%	56.25%
Agricultural	47.56%	20.83%
Agri/Res	49.27%	18.75%
Religious	0.12%	2.08%
Warehouse	0.12%	2.08%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

722: Henderson County Solar, Henderson, Henderson County, KY

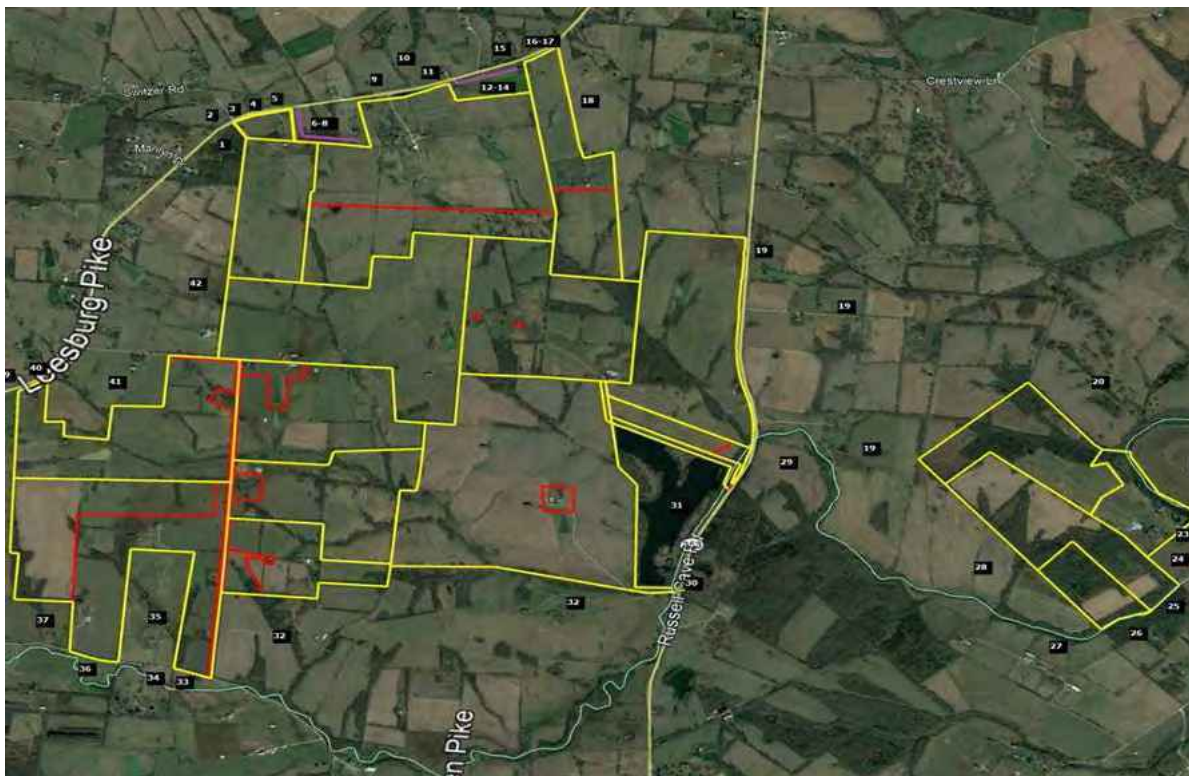


This project was originally proposed to be completed in 2023 and is located on 725.13 acres out of a 1,113.03-acre assemblage for a 50 MW project on Wilson Station Road. The original company Community Energy was acquired by AES in 2021 and this project was taken over by Stellar Renewable Power which projects to begin operations in December 2026. The closest dwelling was proposed to be 180 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	12.77%	71.64%
Agricultural	56.98%	14.93%
Agri/Res	27.96%	7.46%
Religious	0.03%	1.49%
School	1.45%	1.49%
Substation	0.45%	1.49%
Cell Tower	0.35%	1.49%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

770: Bluebird Solar, Cynthia, Harrison County, KY



This project is currently proposed to be completed in 2024 and is located on 1,345 acres out of a 1,943.24-acre assemblage for a 90 MW project on Hwy 32 W near Cynthia. The closest dwelling was proposed to be 350 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	3.47%	47.62%
Agricultural	20.51%	26.19%
Agri/Res	76.01%	26.19%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

771: Martin County Solar, Threeforks, Martin County, KY

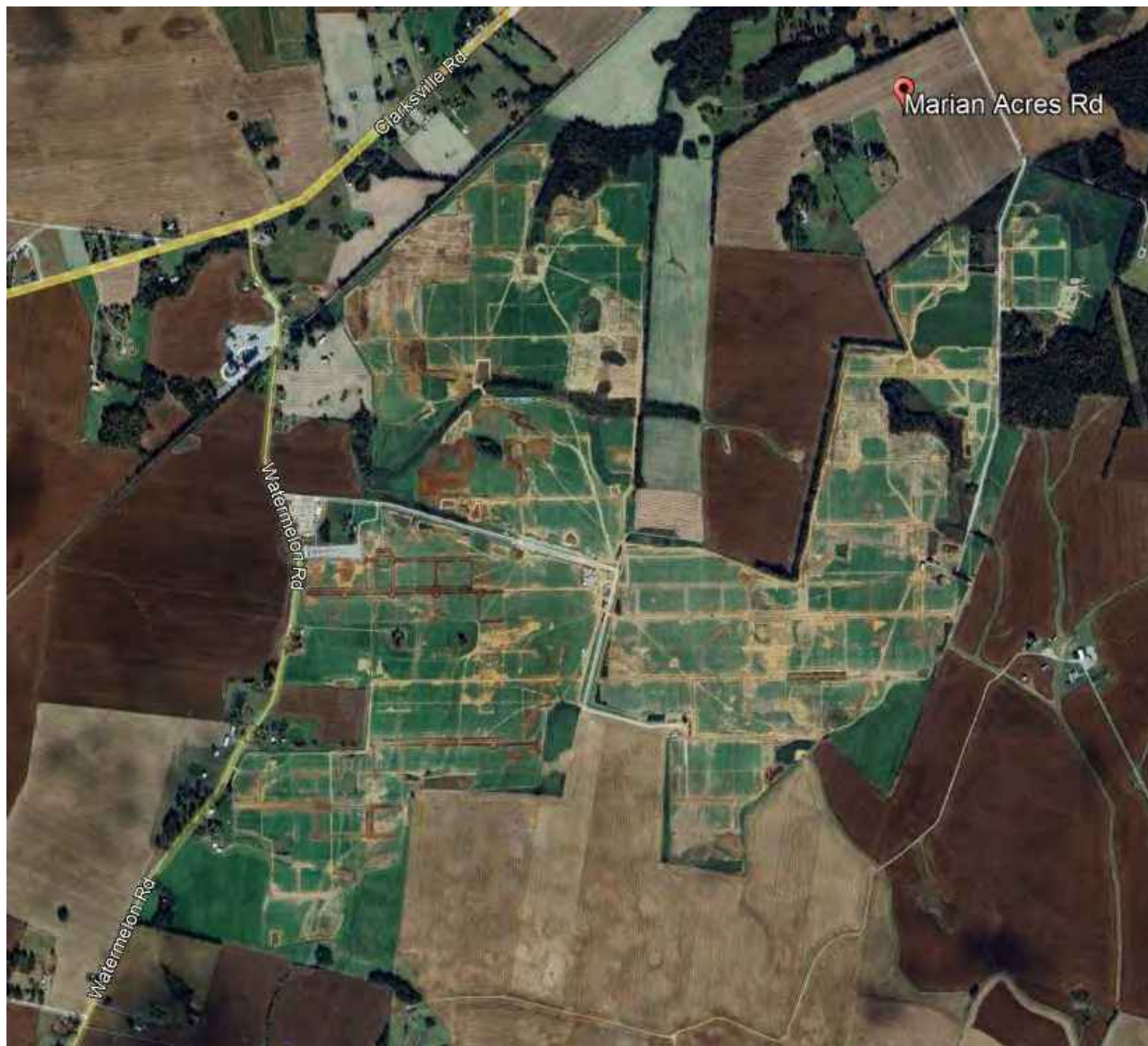


This project began construction in 2023 with a proposed completion date of 2024 on a 900-acre portion of a 2,500-acre assemblage for a 111 MW project. This was the former Martiki Coal Mine land. The closest dwelling was proposed to be 1,450 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	4.65%	60.44%
Agricultural	93.60%	31.87%
Agri/Res	1.69%	2.20%
Cemetery	0.06%	5.49%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

794: Logan County Solar, Russelville, Logan County, KY



This project began construction in 2023 and proposed to be complete in 2024. It is located on 1,100 acres for a 173 MW project. The closest dwelling was proposed to be 225 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	3.54%	45.71%
Agricultural	51.29%	37.14%
Agri/Res	45.05%	14.29%
Religious	0.12%	2.86%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

I identified a May 17, 2022 sale of 528 Watermelon Road for \$275,000 for a home on 1.29 acres with 2,370 s.f. with 3 BR and 2 BR built in 1940 with 2 carport spaces. This homes is 1,460 feet

from the nearest panel through an existing wooded patch. The distance and age makes it difficult to compare this home in this area to similar properties for a paired sale analysis. This home last sold on September 12, 2016 for \$149,000. Using the FHFA Home Price Index the anticipated appreciated value as of the date of the most recent sale was expected to be \$234,000. This Sale/Resale analysis suggests a 17.5% increase in value due to the solar farm.

I also identified 557 J Montgomery Road that sold on December 8, 2021 for \$185,000 for a 4 BR, 2 BA with 2,200 s.f. of living space on 1 acre that was built in 1980. This home has a pool that is noted as needing work, but was otherwise in average condition. I spoke with Dewayne Whittaker the listing agent who indicated that the proposed nearby solar farm had no impact on the sales price or marketing of the home. This home previously sold on May 5, 2016 for \$114,000 and also on June 17, 2008 for \$125,000. The 2008 sales price was higher than the 2016 due to the crash in the housing market in 2008. Adjusting each of these former sales to a December 2021 value expectation based on the FHFA Home Price Index, I derive expectations of \$174,000 from the 2016 sale and \$210,000 from the 2008 sale. The Sale/Resale difference from the 2008 sale is considered more reliable as it covers a shorter period of time. It shows a 6% increase in value over the expected value and supports a mild increase in value due to the adjacency to the solar farm. This home is over 1,900 feet to the nearest panel through existing woods. Given the distance involved this is not a strong indicator for properties closer to solar panels.

Similarly, 263 Donald Lane sold on October 3, 2022 for \$263,400 for a brick ranch with 4 BR, 2.5 BA with 1,704 s.f. of living area on 5 acres. This home is about 1400 feet from the nearest panel through existing woods. This home previously sold in May 2010 for \$141,000. Adjusting this for time using the FHFA HPI, I derive an expected value of \$262,000. This is within 1% of the actual closed price and strongly supports a finding of no impact at this distance. It is not a strong indicator for properties closer to panels.

VIII. Market Analysis of the Impact on Value from Solar Farms

I have researched hundreds of solar farms in numerous states to determine the impact of these facilities on the value of adjoining properties. This research has primarily been in North Carolina, but I have also conducted market impact analyses in Virginia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Oregon, Mississippi, Maryland, New York, California, Missouri, Florida, Montana, Georgia, Kentucky, and New Jersey.

I have derived a breakdown of the adjoining uses to show where solar farms are located. A summary showing the results of compiling that data over hundreds of solar farms is shown later in the Scope of Research section of this report.

I also consider whether the properties adjoining a solar farm in one location have characteristics similar to the properties abutting or adjoining the proposed site so that I can make an assessment of market impact on each proposed site. Notably, in most cases solar farms are placed in areas very similar to the site in question, which is surrounded by low density residential and agricultural uses. In my over 700 studies, I have found a striking repetition of that same typical adjoining property use mix in over 90% of the solar farms I have looked at. Matched pair results in multiple states are strikingly similar, and all indicate that solar farms – which generate very little traffic, and do not generate noise, dust or have other harmful effects – do not negatively impact the value of adjoining or abutting properties.

I have previously been asked by the Kentucky Siting Board about how the solar farms and the matched pair sets were chosen. This is the total of all the usable home sales adjoining the 900+ solar farms that I have looked at over the last 15 years. Most of the solar farms that I have looked at are only a few years old and have not been in place long enough for home or land sales to occur next to them for me to analyze. There is nothing unusual about this given the relatively rural locations of most of the solar farms where home and land sales occur much less frequently than they do in urban and suburban areas and the number of adjoining homes is relatively small.

I review the solar farms that I have looked at periodically to see if there are any new sales. If there is a sale I have to be sure it is not an inhouse sale or to a related family member. A great many of the rural sales that I find are from one family member to another, which makes analysis impossible given that these are not “arm’s length” transactions. There are also numerous examples of sales that are “arm’s length” but are still not usable due to other factors such as adjoining significant negative factors such as a coal fired plant or at a landfill or prison. I have looked at homes that require a driveway crossing a railroad spur, homes in close proximity to large industrial uses, as well as homes adjoining large state parks, or homes that are over 100 years old with multiple renovations. Such sales are not usable as they have multiple factors impacting the value that are tangled together. You can’t isolate the impact of the coal fired plant, the industrial building, or the railroad unless you are comparing that sale to a similar property with similar impacts. Matched pair analysis requires that you isolate properties that only have one differential to test for, which is why the type of sales noted above is not appropriate for analysis.

After my review of all sales and elimination of the family transactions and those sales with multiple differentials, I am left with the matched pairs shown in this report to analyze. I do have additional matched pair data in other areas of the United States that were not included in this report due to being states less comparable to Kentucky than those shown. The only other sales that I have eliminated from the analysis are home sales under \$100,000, which there haven’t been many such examples, but at that price range it is difficult to identify any impacts through matched pair analysis. I have not cherry picked the data to include just the sales that support one direction in value, but I have included all of them both positive and negative with a preponderance of the evidence supporting no impact to mild positive impacts.

A. *Kentucky and Adjoining States Data*

1. Matched Pair – Crittenden Solar, Crittenden, Grant County, KY



This solar farm was built in December 2017 on a 181.70-acre tract but utilizing only 34.10 acres. This is a 2.7 MW facility with residential subdivisions to the north and south.

I have identified five home sales to the north of this solar farm on Clairborne Drive and one home sale to the south on Eagle Ridge Drive since the completion of this solar farm. The home sale on Eagle Drive is for a \$75,000 home and all of the homes along that street are similar in size and price range. According to local broker Steve Glacken with Cutler Real Estate these are the lowest price range/style home in the market. I have not analyzed that sale as it would unlikely provide significant data to other homes in the area.

Mr. Glacken has been selling lots at the west end of Clairborne for new home construction. He indicated in 2020 that the solar farm near the entrance of the development has been a complete non-factor and none of the home sales are showing any concern over the solar farm. Most of the homes are in the \$250,000 to \$280,000 price range. The vacant residential lots are being marketed for \$28,000 to \$29,000. The landscaping buffer is considered light, but the rolling terrain allows for distant views of the panels from the adjoining homes along Clairborne Drive.

The first home considered is a bit of an anomaly for this subdivision in that it is the only manufactured home that was allowed in the community. It sold on January 3, 2019. I compared that sale to three other manufactured home sales in the area making minor adjustments as shown on the next page to account for the differences. After all other factors are considered the adjustments show a -1% to +13% impact due to the adjacency of the solar farm. The best indicator is 1250 Cason, which shows a 3% impact. A 3% impact is within the normal static of real estate transactions and therefore not considered indicative of a positive impact on the property, but it strongly supports an indication of no negative impact.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	250 Claiborne	0.96	1/3/2019	\$120,000	2000	2,016	\$59.52	3/2	Drive	Manuf	
	Not	1250 Cason	1.40	4/18/2018	\$95,000	1994	1,500	\$63.33	3/2	2-Det	Manuf	Carport
	Not	410 Reeves	1.02	11/27/2018	\$80,000	2000	1,456	\$54.95	3/2	Drive	Manuf	
	Not	315 N Fork	1.09	5/4/2019	\$107,000	1992	1,792	\$59.71	3/2	Drive	Manuf	

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	250 Claiborne								\$120,000			373
Not	1250 Cason	\$2,081		\$2,850	\$26,144		-\$5,000	-\$5,000	\$116,075	3%		
Not	410 Reeves	\$249		\$0	\$24,615				\$104,865	13%		
Not	315 N Fork	-\$1,091		\$4,280	\$10,700				\$120,889	-1%	5%	

I also looked at three other home sales on this street as shown below. These are stick-built homes and show a higher price range.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	300 Claiborne	1.08	9/20/2018	\$212,720	2003	1,568	\$135.66	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	460 Claiborne	0.31	1/3/2019	\$229,000	2007	1,446	\$158.37	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	300 Claiborne								\$213,000			488
Not	460 Claiborne	-\$2,026		-\$4,580	\$15,457	\$5,000			\$242,850	-14%		
Not	2160 Sherman	-\$5,672		-\$2,650	-\$20,406				\$236,272	-11%		
Not	215 Lexington	\$1,072		\$3,468	-\$2,559	-\$5,000			\$228,180	-7%	-11%	

This set of matched pairs shows a minor negative impact for this property. I was unable to confirm the sales price or conditions of this sale. The best indication of value is based on 215 Lexington, which required the least adjusting and supports a -7% impact.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	350 Claiborne	1.00	7/20/2018	\$245,000	2002	1,688	\$145.14	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	460 Claiborne	0.31	1/3/2019	\$229,000	2007	1,446	\$158.37	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	350 Claiborne								\$245,000			720
Not	460 Claiborne	-\$3,223		-\$5,725	\$30,660	\$5,000			\$255,712	-4%		
Not	2160 Sherman	-\$7,057		-\$3,975	-\$5,743				\$248,225	-1%		
Not	215 Lexington	-\$136		\$2,312	\$11,400	-\$5,000			\$239,776	2%	-1%	

The following photograph shows the light landscaping buffer and the distant view of panels that was included as part of the marketing package for this property. The panels are visible somewhat on the left and somewhat through the trees in the center of the photograph. The first photograph is from the home, with the second photograph showing the view near the rear of the lot.



This set of matched pairs shows a no negative impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -4% to +2%. The best indication is -1%, which as described above is within the typical market static and supports no impact on adjoining property value.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	370 Claiborne	1.06	8/22/2019	\$273,000	2005	1,570	\$173.89	4/3	2-Car	2-Story	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	2290 Dry	1.53	5/2/2019	\$239,400	1988	1,400	\$171.00	3/2.5	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	125 Lexington	1.20	4/17/2018	\$240,000	2001	1,569	\$152.96	3/3	2-Car	Split	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	370 Claiborne								\$273,000			930
Not	2160 Sherman	\$1,831		\$0	-\$20,161				\$246,670	10%		
Not	2290 Dry	\$2,260		\$20,349	\$23,256	\$2,500			\$287,765	-5%		
Not	125 Lexington	\$9,951		\$4,800					\$254,751	7%	4%	

This set of matched pairs shows a general positive impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -5% to +10%. The best indication is +7%. I typically consider measurements of +/-5% to be within the typical variation in real estate transactions. This indication is higher than that and suggests a positive relationship.

The photograph from the listing shows panels visible between the home and the trampoline shown in the picture.



Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	330 Claiborne	1.00	12/10/2019	\$282,500	2003	1,768	\$159.79	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/pool
Not	895 Osborne	1.70	9/16/2019	\$249,900	2002	1,705	\$146.57	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/pool
Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmnt	Brick
Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	330 Claiborne								\$282,500			665
Not	895 Osborne	\$1,790		\$1,250	\$7,387	\$5,000		\$0	\$265,327	6%		
Not	2160 Sherman	\$4,288		-\$2,650	\$4,032			\$20,000	\$290,670	-3%		
Not	215 Lexington	\$9,761		\$3,468	\$20,706	-\$5,000		\$20,000	\$280,135	1%		

1%

This set of matched pairs shows a general positive impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -3% to +6%. The best indication is +6%. I typically consider measurements of +/-5% to be within the typical variation in real estate transactions. This indication is higher than that and suggests a positive relationship. The landscaping buffer on these is considered light with a fair visibility of the panels from most of these comparables and only thin landscaping buffers separating the homes from the solar panels.

I also looked at four sales that were during a rapid increase in home values around 2021, which required significant time adjustments based on the FHFA Housing Price Index. Sales in this time frame are less reliable for impact considerations as the peak buyer demand allowed for homes to sell with less worry over typical issues such as repairs.

The home at 250 Claiborne Drive sold with no impact from the solar farm according to the buyer's broker Lisa Ann Lay with Keller Williams Realty Service. As noted earlier, this is the only manufactured home in the community and is a bit of an anomaly. There was an impact on this sale due to an appraisal that came in low likely related to the manufactured nature of the home. Ms. Lay indicated that there was significant back and forth between both brokers and the appraiser to address the low appraisal, but ultimately, the buyers had to pay \$20,000 out of pocket to cover the difference in appraised value and the purchase price. The low appraisal was not attributed to the solar farm, but the difficulty in finding comparable sales and likely the manufactured housing.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	250 Claiborne	1.05	1/5/2022	\$210,000	2002	1,592	\$131.91	4/2	Drive	Ranch	Manuf
Not	255 Spillman	0.64	3/4/2022	\$166,000	1991	1,196	\$138.80	3/1	Drive	Ranch	Remodel
Not	546 Waterworks	0.28	4/29/2021	\$179,500	2007	1,046	\$171.61	4/2	Drive	Ranch	3/4 Fin B
Not	240 Shawnee	1.18	6/7/2021	\$180,000	1977	1,352	\$133.14	3/2	Gar	Ranch	N/A

Solar	Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	250 Claiborne							\$210,000			365
Not	255 Spillman	-\$379	\$9,130	\$43,971	\$10,000		-\$20,000	\$208,722	1%		
Not	546 Waterworks	\$1,772	-\$4,488	\$74,958			-\$67,313	\$184,429	12%		
Not	240 Shawnee	\$1,501	\$22,500	\$25,562		-\$10,000		\$219,563	-5%		

3%

The photograph of the rear view from the listing is shown below.



The home at 260 Claiborne Drive sold with no impact from the solar farm according to the buyer's broker Jim Dalton with Ashcraft Real Estate Services. He noted that there was significant wood rot and a heavy smoker smell about the house, but even that had no impact on the price due to high demand in the market.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	260 Claiborne	1.00	10/13/2021	\$175,000	2001	1,456	\$120.19	3/2	Drive	Ranch	N/A
Not	355 Oakwood	0.58	10/27/2020	\$186,000	2002	1,088	\$170.96	3/2	Gar	Ranch	3/4 Fin B
Not	30 Ellen Kay	0.50	1/30/2020	\$183,000	1988	1,950	\$93.85	3/2	Gar	2-Story	N/A
Not	546 Waterworks	0.28	4/29/2021	\$179,500	2007	1,046	\$171.61	4/2	Drive	Ranch	3/4 Fin B

Solar	Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	260 Claiborne							\$175,000			390
Not	355 Oakwood	\$18,339	-\$930	\$50,329		-\$10,000	-\$69,750	\$173,988	1%		
Not	30 Ellen Kay	\$31,974	\$11,895	-\$37,088		-\$10,000		\$179,781	-3%		
Not	546 Waterworks	\$8,420	-\$5,385	\$56,287			-\$67,313	\$171,510	2%	0%	

The photograph of the rear view from the listing is shown below.



These next two were brick and with unfinished basements which made them easier to compare and therefore more reliable. For 300 Claiborne I considered the sale of a home across the street that did not back up to the solar farm and it adjusted to well below the range of the other comparables. I have included it, but would not rely on that which means this next comparable strongly supports a range of 0 to +3% and not up to +19%.

Joining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	300 Claiborne	0.89	12/18/2021	\$290,000	2002	1,568	\$184.95	3/3	2-Car	Br Rnch	Bsmt
Not	405 Claiborne	0.41	2/1/2022	\$267,750	2004	1,787	\$149.83	3/2	2-Car	Br Rnch	Bsmt
Not	39 Pinhook	0.68	3/31/2022	\$299,000	1992	1,680	\$177.98	3/2	2-Car	Br Rnch	Bsmt
Not	5 Pinhook	0.70	4/7/2022	\$309,900	1992	1,680	\$184.46	3/2	2-Car	Br Rnch	Bsmt

Solar	Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	300 Claiborne							\$290,000			570
Not	405 Claiborne	-\$3,384	-\$2,678	-\$26,251				\$235,437	19%		
Not	39 Pinhook	-\$8,651	\$14,950	-\$15,947				\$289,352	0%		
Not	5 Pinhook	-\$9,576	\$15,495	-\$16,528				\$299,291	-3%		
										5%	

The photograph of the rear view from the listing is shown below.



This same home, 300 Claiborne sold again on October 14, 2022 for \$332,000, or \$42,000 higher or 15% higher than it had just 10 months earlier. The FHFA Home Price Index indicates an 8.3% increase over that time for the overall market, suggesting that this home is actually increasing in value faster than other properties in the area. An updated photo from the 2022 listing is shown below.



The home at 410 Claiborne included an inground pool with significant landscaping around it that was a challenge. Furthermore, two of the comparables had finished basements. I made no adjustment for the pool on those two comparables and considered the two factors to cancel out

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	410 Claiborne	0.31	2/10/2021	\$275,000	2006	1,595	\$172.41	3/2	2-Car	Br Rnch	Esmt/Pool
Not	114 Austin	1.40	12/23/2020	\$248,000	1994	1,650	\$150.30	3/2	2-Car	Br Rnch	Bsmt
Not	125 Liza	0.29	6/25/2021	\$315,000	2005	1,913	\$164.66	4/3	2-Car	Br Rnch	Ktchn Bsmt
Not	130 Hannahs	0.42	2/9/2021	\$295,000	2007	1,918	\$153.81	3/3	2-Car	Br Rnch	Fin Bsmt

Solar	Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	410 Claiborne							\$275,000			1080
Not	114 Austin	\$3,413	\$14,880	-\$6,613			\$20,000	\$279,680	-2%		
Not	125 Liza	-\$11,945	\$1,575	-\$41,890	-\$10,000			\$252,740	8%		
Not	130 Hannahs	\$83	-\$1,475	-\$39,743	-\$10,000			\$243,864	11%		
										6%	

The nine matched pairs considered in this analysis includes five that show no impact on value, one that shows a negative impact on value, and three that show a positive impact. The negative indication supported by one matched pair is -7% and the positive impacts are +6% and +7%. The two neutral indications show impacts of -5% to +5%. The average indicated impact is +2% when all nine of these indicators are blended.

Furthermore, the comments of the local real estate brokers strongly support the data that shows no negative impact on value due to the proximity to the solar farm.

2. Matched Pair – Walton 2, Walton, Kenton County, KY



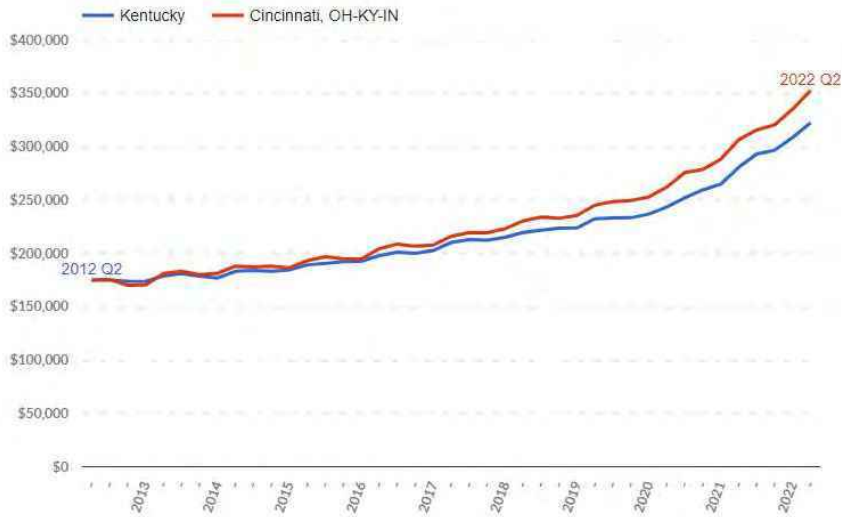
This project was built in 2017 on 58.03 acres for a 2 MW project with the closest home 120 feet from the closest panel.

The home located on Parcel 1 (783 Jones Road, Walton, KY) in the map above sold on May 4, 2022 for \$346,000. This home is 410 feet from the nearest solar panel. I have considered a Sale/Resale analysis of this home as it previously sold on May 7, 2012 for \$174,900. This analysis compares that 2012 purchase price and uses the FHFA House Price Index Calculator to identify what real estate values in the area have been appreciating at to determine where it was expected to appreciate to. I have then compared that to the actual sales price to determine if there is any impact attributable to the addition of the solar farm.

As can be seen on the calculator form, the expected value for \$174,900 home sold in 2nd quarter 2012 would be \$353,000 for 2nd quarter 2022. This is within 2% of the actual sales price and supports a finding of no impact on property value.

I have not attempted a paired sales analysis with other sales, as this property also has the nearby recycling and car lot that would be a potential factor in comparing to other sales. But based on aerial imagery, these same car lots were present in 2012 and therefore has no additional impact when comparing this home sale to itself.

Purchase Quarter	Valuation Quarter	X
2012 Quarter 2	2022 Quarter 2	Percentage Change
Purchase Value	Estimated Value for MSA	101.8%
\$174,900	\$353,000	



3. Matched Pair – Turkey Creek, Lancaster, Garrard County, KY



This project was built in 2022 on 297.05 acres out of a 752.80-acre parent tract assemblage for a 50 MW project where the closest home is 240 feet from the closest panel. This project was announced in 2019 with approvals in 2020.

I identified a sale at 166 Long Branch Drive, Lancaster that sold on November 25, 2020 after the solar farm was announced for \$180,000. The prior sale of the property on February 28, 2019 was for \$160,000. Adjusting the earlier sale by the FHFA Home Price Index, the anticipated increase in value was \$181,000. This is a difference of 1% which is within typical market deviation and supports a finding of no impact on property value due to the announcement of the solar farm. This home is approximately 250 feet from the nearest solar panel.

I also identified 209 Ashlock Drive that sold on June 14, 2022 near the time construction was to be begin at this solar project. This home sold for \$500,000 for a 3,968 s.f. home with 4 BR, 4.5 BA built in 1985 on 3.06 acres. This is a unique home and it is over 1,000 feet to the nearest solar panel. It was purchase out of a larger tract that now includes 5 additional lots and this home adjoins an industrial use to the northwest. All of these factors make it difficult to analyze this sale. I have therefore not attempted to do so as any result would be non-credible given these other factors.

I also identified 1439 Stanford Road that sold on June 27, 2023 for \$1,300,000 for this 3,400 s.f. historic home on 206 acres. The home is over 1,500 feet from the panels and the site includes acreage zoned for commercial use according to the listing. There are too many unique features to this for a valid paired sales analysis. I have not attempted one for this sale.

Merriwood Development, LLC purchased 15 lots along Elmwood Court on May 18, 2023 for \$750,000, or \$50,000 per lot. These lots were developed in 2022/2023 by Wimbledon Holdings and WRH Investments following the purchase of the raw land on March 25, 2022. The raw land was purchased for development after the solar farm was approved and the subdivision infrastructure was developed during the construction of the solar farm. The developer clearly foresaw no negative impact on the property from the solar farm or they would not have invested in the development. The sales price is not a good indication of market value as Wimbledon and Merriwood are noted as related entities.

I searched for recent lot sales in the area and found 1 to 3 acre lots to the northeast selling for \$15,000 to \$30,000 each. The lots at Merriwood are in close proximity to Garrard County High School off Industry Road.

Lot 96 sold to Robert and Avonda Noe on January 24, 2023 for \$44,900 and was subsequently developed with a single family home. This lot directly adjoins the solar farm with the nearest panel 625 feet away. The panels appear to be visible in the background of the tax card photo.



Lot 97 sold to Michael and Jill Stevens on July 28, 2023 for \$60,800. This lot directly adjoins the solar farm with a likely home site 820 feet from the nearest panel.

Lot 98 was sold to Walter and Hannah Hulett for \$1 as an entity related to Wimbledon Holdings. This is the home visible in the map just underneath the word Elmwood Court. The Hulett's are WRH Investments, LLC that developed the site with Wimbledon Holdings, LLC.

Lot 100 sold on July 28, 2023 to Jimmie McCulley for \$39,900. This lot does not directly adjoin the solar farm.

Lot 101 sold on November 22, 2023 to Willie and Tiffany Skeens for \$50,000. This lot directly adjoins the solar farm with a likely home site 450 feet from the nearest panel.

Additional lots were transferred to Elmwood Builders, LLC that is noted as affiliated with Merriwood Development, LLC for \$1 each.

The various lot prices range from \$39,900 to \$60,800 with the low end of the range being a lot non-adjacent to the solar farm and the high end being adjacent to the solar farm. The sales data on the lots do not support any finding of a negative impact on property value. Comparing the most common lot value of \$50,000 per lot suggests an impact range of -10% for Lot 96 that sold for \$44,900 to +22% for Lot 97 that sold for \$60,800. Those two lots are adjacent to each other. Blending the two impacts suggests a 12% enhancement for adjoining the solar farm. But given the wide ranges of lot values in this development, I consider this to simply support a finding of no impact on property value.



4. Matched Pair – Mulberry, Selmer, McNairy County, TN



This 16 MW solar farm was built in 2014 on 208.89 acres with the closest home being 480 feet.

This solar farm adjoins two subdivisions with Central Hills having a mix of existing and new construction homes. Lots in this development have been marketed for \$15,000 each with discounts offered for multiple lots being used for a single home site. I spoke with the agent with Rhonda Wheeler and Becky Hearnberger with United County Farm & Home Realty who noted that they have seen no impact on lot or home sales due to the solar farm in this community.

I have included a map below as well as data on recent sales activity on lots that adjoin the solar farm or are near the solar farm in this subdivision both before and after the announced plan for this solar farm facility. I note that using the same method I used to breakdown the adjoining uses at the subject property I show that the predominant adjoining uses are residential and agricultural, which is consistent with the location of most solar farms.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Commercial	3.40%	0.034
Residential	12.84%	79.31%
Agri/Res	10.39%	3.45%
Agricultural	73.37%	13.79%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

I have run a number of direct matched comparisons on the sales adjoining this solar farm as shown below. These direct matched pairs include some of those shown above as well as additional more recent sales in this community. In each of these I have compared the one sale adjoining the solar farm to multiple similar farm homes nearby that do not adjoin a solar farm to look for any potential impact from the solar farm.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty	6.86	10/28/2016	\$176,000	2009	1,801	\$97.72	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	820 Lake Trail	1.00	6/8/2018	\$168,000	2013	1,869	\$89.89	4/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	262 Country	1.00	1/17/2018	\$145,000	2000	1,860	\$77.96	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	35 April	1.15	8/16/2016	\$185,000	2016	1,980	\$93.43	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted												
Parcel	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance	
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty							\$176,000		480	
	Not	820 Lake Trail	-\$8,324	\$12,000	-\$3,360	-\$4,890			\$163,426	7%		
	Not	262 Country	-\$5,450	\$12,000	\$6,525	-\$3,680			\$154,396	12%		
	Not	35 April	\$1,138	\$12,000	-\$6,475	-\$13,380			\$178,283	-1%		
									Average	6%		

The best matched pair is 35 April Loop, which required the least adjustment and indicates a -1% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper	1.20	2/26/2019	\$163,000	2011	1,586	\$102.77	3/2	2-Gar	1.5 Story	Pool
	Not	191 Amelia	1.00	8/3/2018	\$132,000	2005	1,534	\$86.05	3/2	Drive	Ranch	
	Not	75 April	0.85	3/17/2017	\$134,000	2012	1,588	\$84.38	3/2	2-Crprt	Ranch	
	Not	345 Woodland	1.15	12/29/2016	\$131,000	2002	1,410	\$92.91	3/2	1-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted												
Parcel	Solar	Address	Sales Price	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper	\$163,000							\$163,000		685
	Not	191 Amelia	\$132,000	\$2,303		\$3,960	\$2,685	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$155,947	4%	
	Not	75 April	\$134,000	\$8,029	\$4,000	-\$670	-\$135	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$155,224	5%	
	Not	345 Woodland	\$131,000	\$8,710		\$5,895	\$9,811		\$5,000	\$160,416	2%	
										Average	4%	

The best matched pair is 191 Amelia, which was most similar in time frame of sale and indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
15	Adjoins	297 Country	1.00	9/30/2016	\$150,000	2002	1,596	\$93.98	3/2	4-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	185 Dusty	1.85	8/17/2015	\$126,040	2009	1,463	\$86.15	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	53 Glen	1.13	3/9/2017	\$126,000	1999	1,475	\$85.42	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	Brick

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Parcel	Solar	Address	Sales Price	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
15	Adjoins	297 Country	\$150,000							\$150,000		650
	Not	185 Dusty	\$126,040	\$4,355		-\$4,411	\$9,167	\$10,000		\$145,150	3%	
	Not	53 Glen	\$126,000	-\$1,699		\$1,890	\$8,269	\$10,000		\$144,460	4%	
										Average	3%	

The best matched pair is 53 Glen, which was most similar in time frame of sale and required less adjustment. It indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

The average indicated impact from these three sets of matched pairs is +4%, which suggests a mild positive relationship due to adjacency to the solar farm. The landscaping buffer for this project is mostly natural tree growth that was retained as part of the development but much of the trees separating the panels from homes are actually on the lots for the homes themselves. I therefore consider the landscaping buffer to be thin to moderate for these adjoining homes.

I have also looked at several lot sales in this subdivision as shown below.

These are all lots within the same community and the highest prices paid are for lots one parcel off from the existing solar farm. These prices are fairly inconsistent, though they do suggest about a \$3,000 loss in the lots adjoining the solar farm. This is an atypical finding and additional details suggest there is more going on in these sales than the data crunching shows. First of all Parcel 4 was purchased by the owner of the adjoining home and therefore an atypical buyer seeking to expand a lot and the site is not being purchased for home development. Moreover, using the SiteToDoBusiness demographic tools, I found that the 1-mile radius around this development is expecting a total population increase over the next 5 years of 3 people. This lack of growing demand for lots is largely explained in that context. Furthermore, the fact that finished home sales as shown above are showing no sign of a negative impact on property value makes this data unreliable and inconsistent with the data shown in sales to an end user. I therefore place little weight on this outlier data.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	4/18/2019 Adj for Time	\$/AC	4/18/2019 Adj for Time
4	Adjoins	Shelter	2.05	10/25/2017	\$16,000	\$16,728	\$7,805	\$8,160
10	Adjoins	Carter	1.70	8/2/2018	\$14,000	\$14,306	\$8,235	\$8,415
11	Adjoins	Cooper	1.28	9/17/2018	\$12,000	\$12,215	\$9,375	\$9,543
	Not	75 Dusty	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
	Not	Lake Trl	1.47	11/7/2018	\$13,000	\$13,177	\$8,844	\$8,964
	Not	Lake Trl	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
		Adjoins	Per Acre	Not Adjoins	Per Acre	% DIF/Lot	% DIF/AC	
	Average	\$14,416	\$8,706	\$17,726	\$10,972	19%	21%	
	Median	\$14,306	\$8,415	\$20,000	\$11,976	28%	30%	
	High	\$16,728	\$9,543	\$20,000	\$11,976	16%	20%	
	Low	\$12,215	\$8,160	\$13,177	\$8,964	7%	9%	

5. Matched Pair – Grand Ridge Solar, Streator, LaSalle County, IL



This solar farm has a 20 MW output and is located on a 160-acre tract. The project was built in 2012.

I have considered the recent sale of Parcel 13 shown above, which sold in October 2016 after the solar farm was built. I have compared that sale to a number of nearby residential sales not in proximity to the solar farm as shown below. Parcel 13 is 480 feet from the closest solar panel. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
13	34-21-237-000	2	Oct-16	\$186,000	1997	2,328	\$79.90

Not Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
712 Columbus Rd	32-39-134-005	1.26	Jun-16	\$166,000	1950	2,100	\$79.05
504 N 2782 Rd	18-13-115-000	2.68	Oct-12	\$154,000	1980	2,800	\$55.00
7720 S Dwight Rd	11-09-300-004	1.14	Nov-16	\$191,000	1919	2,772	\$68.90
701 N 2050th Rd	26-20-105-000	1.97	Aug-13	\$200,000	2000	2,200	\$90.91
9955 E 1600th St	04-13-200-007	1.98	May-13	\$181,858	1991	2,600	\$69.95

TAX ID	Date Sold	Time	Adjustments	
			Total	\$/Sf
34-21-237-000	Oct-16		\$186,000	\$79.90
32-39-134-005	Jun-16		\$166,000	\$79.05
18-13-115-000	Oct-12	\$12,320	\$166,320	\$59.40
11-09-300-004	Nov-16		\$191,000	\$68.90
26-20-105-000	Aug-13	\$12,000	\$212,000	\$96.36
04-13-200-007	May-13	\$10,911	\$192,769	\$74.14

	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Sales Price/SF	\$79.90	\$79.90	\$75.57	\$74.14
GBA	2,328	2,328	2,494	2,600

Based on the matched pairs I find no indication of negative impact due to proximity to the solar farm.

The most similar comparable is the home on Columbus that sold for \$79.05 per square foot. This is higher than the median rate for all of the comparables. Applying that price per square foot to the subject property square footage indicates a value of \$184,000.

There is minimal landscaping separating this solar farm from nearby properties and is therefore considered light.

6. Matched Pair – Portage Solar, Portage, Porter County, IN



This solar farm has a 2 MW output and is located on a portion of a 56-acre tract. The project was built in 2012. As can be seen by the more recent map, Lennar Homes is now developing a new subdivision on the vacant land just west of this solar farm.

I have considered the recent sale of Parcels 5 and 12. Parcel 5 is an undeveloped tract, while Parcel 12 is a residential home. I have compared each to a set of comparable sales to determine if there was any impact due to the adjoining solar farm. This home is 1,320 feet from the closest solar panel. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
12	64-06-19-326-007.000-015	1.00	Sep-13	\$149,800	1964	1,776	\$84.35

Nearby Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
2501 Architect Dr	64-04-32-202-004.000-021	1.31	Nov-15	\$191,500	1959	2,064	\$92.78
336 E 1050 N	64-07-09-326-003.000-005	1.07	Jan-13	\$155,000	1980	1,908	\$81.24
2572 Pryor Rd	64-05-14-204-006.000-016	1.00	Jan-16	\$216,000	1960	2,348	\$91.99

Adjoining Land Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC
5	64-06-19-200-003.000-015	18.70	Feb-14	\$149,600	\$8,000

Nearby Land Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC
	64-07-22-401-001.000-005	74.35	Jun-17	\$520,450	\$7,000
	64-15-08-200-010.000-001	15.02	Jan-17	\$115,000	\$7,658

Residential Sale Adjustment Chart

TAX ID	Date Sold	Adjustments		\$/Sf
		Time	Total	
64-06-19-326-007.000-015	Sep-13	\$8,988	\$158,788	\$89.41
64-04-32-202-004.000-021	Nov-15	\$3,830	\$195,330	\$94.64
64-07-09-326-003.000-005	Jan-13	\$9,300	\$164,300	\$86.11
64-05-14-204-006.000-016	Jan-16		\$216,000	\$91.99

2% adjustment/year
Adjusted to 2017

Sales Price/SF	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
	\$89.41	\$89.41	\$90.91	\$91.99
GBA	1,776	1,776	2,107	2,064

After adjusting the price per square foot is 2.88% less for the home adjoining the solar farm versus those not adjoining the solar farm. This is within the typical range of variation to be anticipated in any real estate transaction and indicates no impact on property value.

Applying the price per square foot for the 336 E 1050 N sale, which is the most similar to the Parcel 12 sale, the adjusted price at \$81.24 per square foot applied to the Parcel 12 square footage yields a value of \$144,282.

The landscaping separating this solar farm from the homes is considered light.

Land Sale Adjustment Chart

TAX ID	Date Sold	Adjustments		\$/Acre
		Time	Total	
64-06-19-200-003.000-015	Feb-14	\$8,976	\$158,576	\$8,480
64-07-22-401-001.000-005	Jun-17		\$520,450	\$7,000
64-15-08-200-010.000-001	Jan-17		\$115,000	\$7,658

2% adjustment/year
Adjusted to 2017

Sales Price/Ac Acres	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
	\$8,480	\$8,480	\$7,329	\$7,329
	18.70	18.70	44.68	44.68

After adjusting the price per acre is higher for the property adjoining the solar farm, but the average and median size considered is higher which suggests a slight discount. This set of matched pair supports no indication of negative impact due to the adjoining solar farm.

Alternatively, adjusting the 2017 sales back to 2014 I derive an indicated price per acre for the comparables at \$6,580 per acre to \$7,198 per acre, which I compare to the unadjusted subject property sale at \$8,000 per acre.

7. Matched Pair – Dominion Indy III, Indianapolis, Marion County, IN

This solar farm has an 8.6 MW output and is located on a portion of a 134-acre tract. The project was built in 2013.

There are a number of homes on small lots located along the northern boundary and I have considered several sales of these homes. I have compared those homes to a set of nearby not adjoining home sales as shown below. The adjoining homes that sold range from 380 to 420 feet from the nearest solar panel, with an average of 400 feet. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
2	2013249	0.38	12/9/2015	\$140,000	2006	2,412	\$58.04
4	2013251	0.23	9/6/2017	\$160,000	2006	2,412	\$66.33
5	2013252	0.23	5/10/2017	\$147,000	2009	2,028	\$72.49
11	2013258	0.23	12/9/2015	\$131,750	2011	2,190	\$60.16
13	2013260	0.23	3/4/2015	\$127,000	2005	2,080	\$61.06
14	2013261	0.23	2/3/2014	\$120,000	2010	2,136	\$56.18

Nearby Not Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
5836 Sable Dr	2013277	0.14	Jun-16	\$141,000	2005	2,280	\$61.84
5928 Mosaic Pl	2013845	0.17	Sep-15	\$145,000	2007	2,280	\$63.60
5904 Minden Dr	2012912	0.16	May-16	\$130,000	2004	2,252	\$57.73
5910 Mosaic Pl	2000178	0.15	Aug-16	\$146,000	2009	2,360	\$61.86
5723 Minden Dr	2012866	0.26	Nov-16	\$139,900	2005	2,492	\$56.14

Adjustments

TAX ID	Date Sold	Time	Total	\$/Sf
2013249	12/9/2015	\$5,600	\$145,600	\$60.36
2013251	9/6/2017		\$160,000	\$66.33
2013252	5/10/2017		\$147,000	\$72.49
2013258	12/9/2015	\$5,270	\$137,020	\$62.57
2013260	3/4/2015	\$5,080	\$132,080	\$63.50
2013261	2/3/2014	\$7,200	\$127,200	\$59.55
2013277	6/1/2016	\$2,820	\$143,820	\$63.08
2013845	9/1/2015	\$5,800	\$150,800	\$66.14
2012912	5/1/2016	\$2,600	\$132,600	\$58.88
2000178	8/1/2016	\$2,920	\$148,920	\$63.10
2012866	11/1/2016	\$2,798	\$142,698	\$57.26

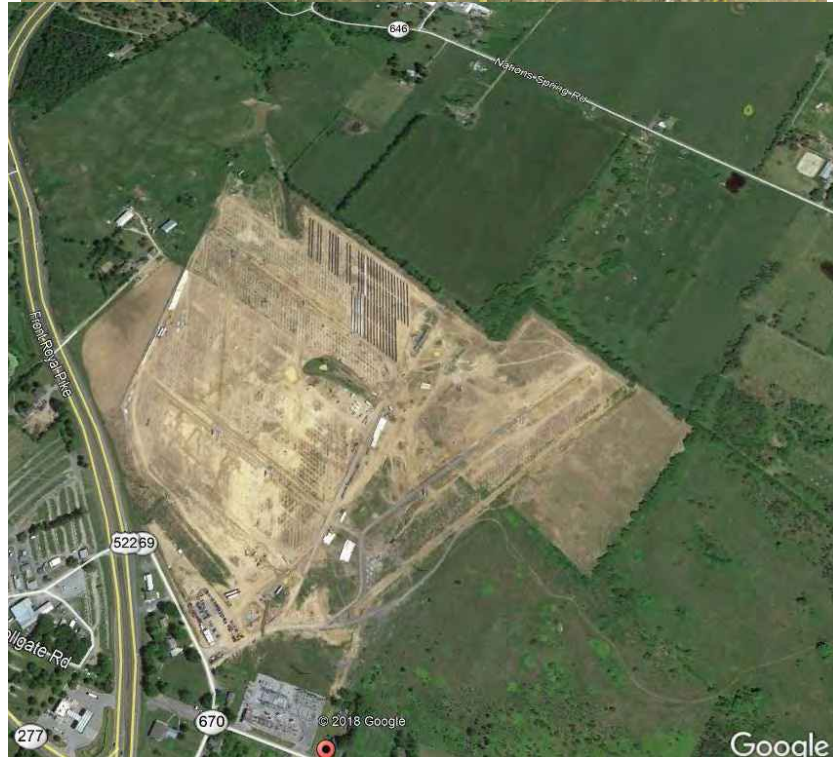
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Adjusted to 2017

Sales Price/SF GBA	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
	\$64.13	\$63.03	\$61.69	\$63.08
	2,210	2,163	2,333	2,280

This set of homes provides very strong indication of no impact due to the adjacency to the solar farm and includes a large selection of homes both adjoining and not adjoining in the analysis.

The landscaping screen is considered light in relation to the homes considered above.

8. Matched Pair – Clarke County Solar, Double Tollgate Road, White Post, Clarke County, VA



This project is a 20 MW facility located on a 234-acre tract that was built in 2017.

I have considered a recent sale of Parcel 3. The home on this parcel is 1,230 feet from the closest panel as measured in the second map from Google Earth, which shows the solar farm under construction.

I've compared this home sale to a number of similar rural homes on similar parcels as shown below. I have used multiple sales that bracket the subject property in terms of sale date, year built, gross living area, bedrooms and bathrooms. Bracketing the parameters insures that all factors are well balanced out in the adjustments. The trend for these sales shows a positive value for the adjacency to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	833 Nations Spr	5.13	1/9/2017	\$295,000	1979	1,392	\$211.93	3/2	Det Gar	Ranch	Unfin bsmt
Not	85 Ashby	5.09	9/11/2017	\$315,000	1982	2,333	\$135.02	3/2	2 Gar	Ranch	
Not	541 Old Kitchen	5.07	9/9/2018	\$370,000	1986	3,157	\$117.20	4/4	2 Gar	2 story	
Not	4174 Rockland	5.06	1/2/2017	\$300,000	1990	1,688	\$177.73	3/2	3 Gar	2 story	
Not	400 Sugar Hill	1.00	6/7/2018	\$180,000	1975	1,008	\$178.57	3/1	Drive	Ranch	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved				Adjoining Sales Adjusted										
Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Time	Acres	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	
Adjoins	833 Nations Spr	5.13	1/9/2017	\$295,000								\$295,000		
Not	85 Ashby	5.09	9/11/2017	\$315,000	-\$6,300			-\$6,615	-\$38,116		-\$7,000	\$15,000	\$271,969	8%
Not	541 Old Kitchen	5.07	9/9/2018	\$370,000	-\$18,500			-\$18,130	-\$62,057		-\$7,000	\$15,000	\$279,313	5%
Not	4174 Rockland	5.06	1/2/2017	\$300,000				-\$23,100	-\$15,782		-\$12,000	\$15,000	\$264,118	10%
Not	400 Sugar Hill	1.00	6/7/2018	\$180,000	-\$9,000	\$43,000	\$5,040	\$20,571	\$10,000	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$267,611	9%	
Average												8%		

The landscaping screen is primarily a newly planted buffer with a row of existing trees being maintained near the northern boundary and considered light.

9. Matched Pair – Walker-Correctional Solar, Barham Road, Barhamville, New Kent County, VA



This project was built in 2017 and located on 484.65 acres for a 20 MW with the closest home at 110 feet from the closest solar panel with an average distance of 500 feet.

I considered the recent sale identified on the map above as Parcel 19, which is directly across the street and based on the map shown on the following page is 250 feet from the closest panel. A limited buffering remains along the road with natural growth being encouraged, but currently the

panels are visible from the road. Alex Uminski, SRA with MGMiller Valuations in Richmond VA confirmed this sale with the buying and selling broker. The selling broker indicated that the solar farm was not a negative influence on this sale and in fact the buyer noticed the solar farm and then discovered the listing. The privacy being afforded by the solar farm was considered a benefit by the buyer. I used a matched pair analysis with a similar sale nearby as shown below and found no negative impact on the sales price. Property actually closed for more than the asking price. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	5241 Barham	2.65	10/18/2018	\$264,000	2007	1,660	\$159.04	3/2	Drive	Ranch	Modular
Not	17950 New Kent	5.00	9/5/2018	\$290,000	1987	1,756	\$165.15	3/2.5	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	9252 Ordinary	4.00	6/13/2019	\$277,000	2001	1,610	\$172.05	3/2	1.5-Gar	Ranch	
Not	2416 W Miller	1.04	9/24/2018	\$299,000	1999	1,864	\$160.41	3/2.5	Gar	Ranch	

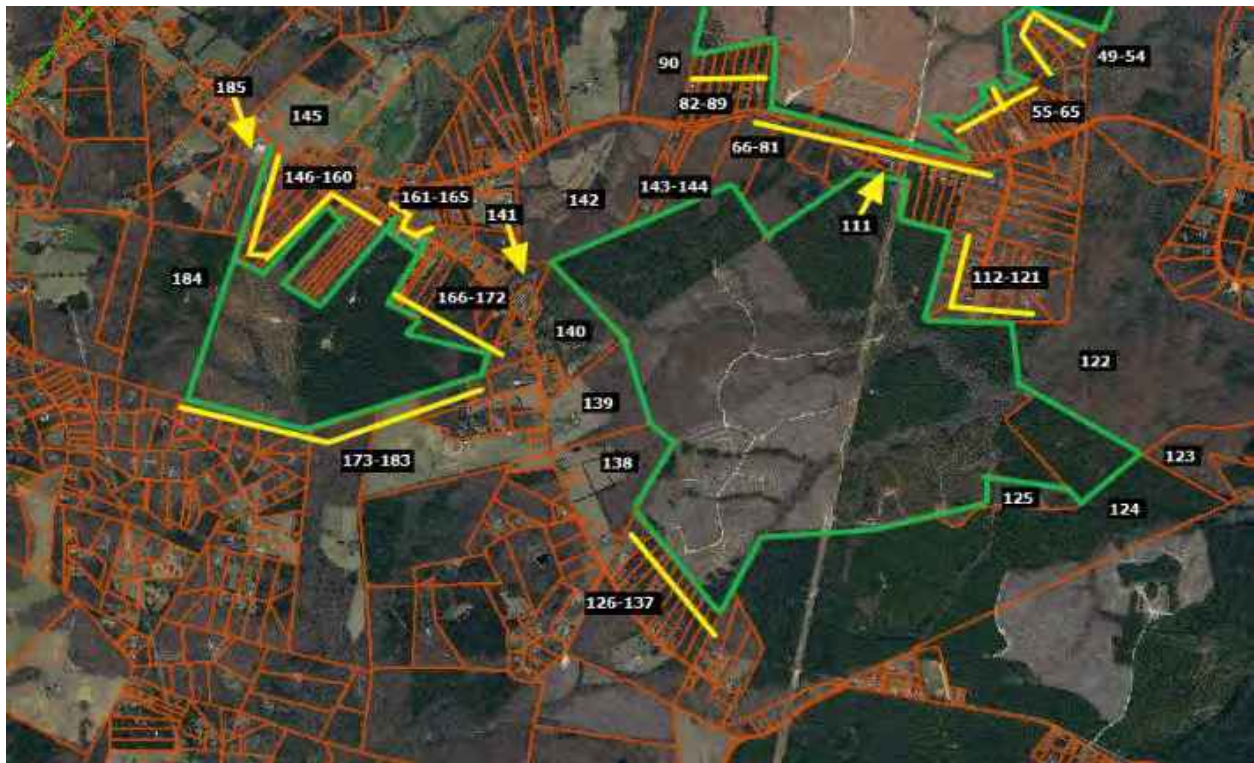
Adjoining Sales Adjusted

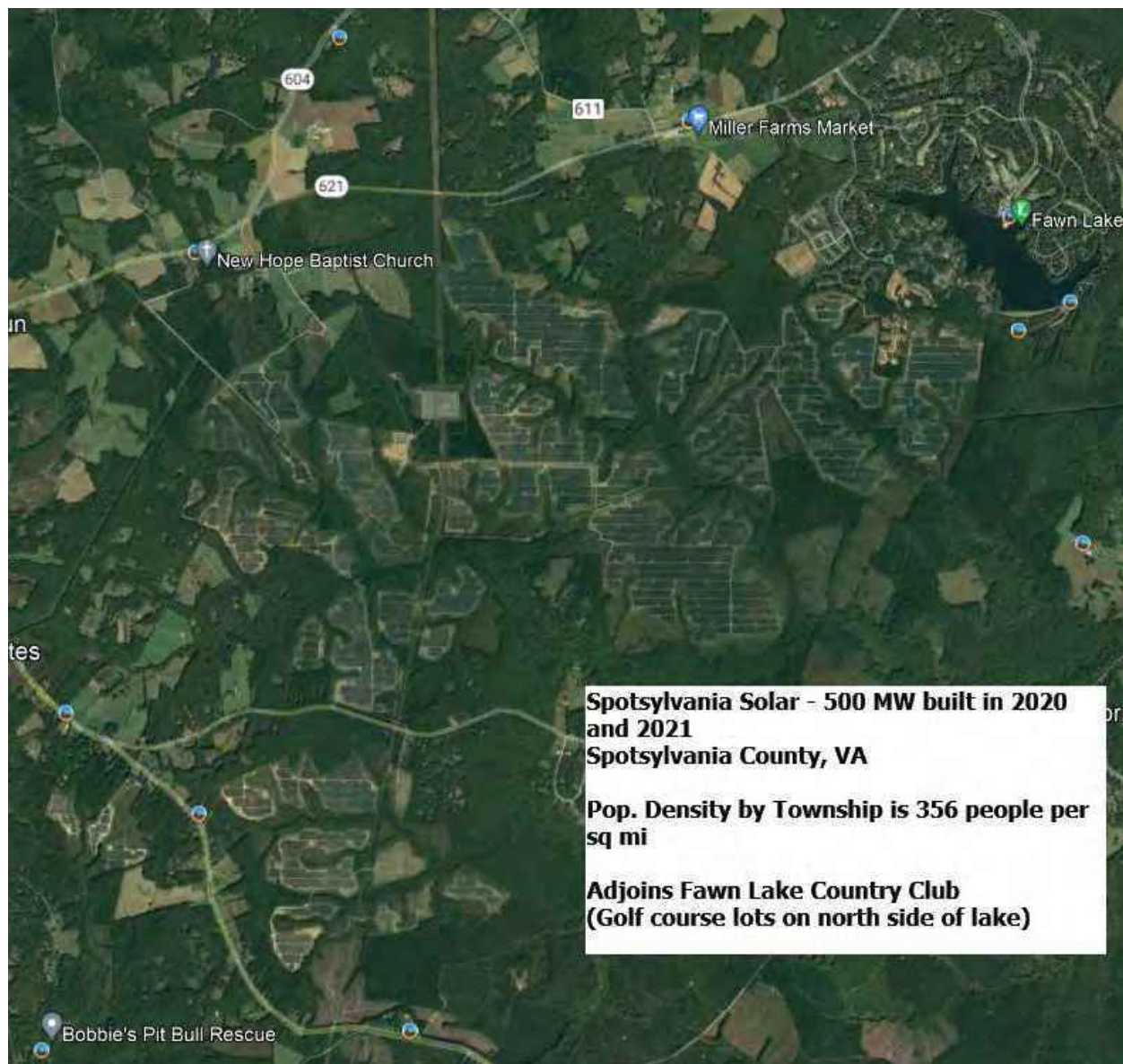
Solar	Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
Adjoins	5241 Barham								\$264,000		250
Not	17950 New Kent		-\$8,000	\$29,000	-\$4,756	-\$5,000	-\$20,000	-\$15,000	\$266,244	-1%	
Not	9252 Ordinary	-\$8,310	-\$8,000	\$8,310	\$2,581		-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$246,581	7%	
Not	2416 W Miller		\$8,000	\$11,960	-\$9,817	-\$5,000	-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$279,143	-6%	

Average Diff 0%

I also spoke with Patrick W. McCrerey of Virginia Estates who was marketing a property that sold at 5300 Barham Road adjoining the Walker-Correctional Solar Farm. He indicated that this property was unique with a home built in 1882 and heavily renovated and updated on 16.02 acres. The solar farm was through the woods and couldn't be seen by this property and it had no impact on marketing this property. This home sold on April 26, 2017 for \$358,000. I did not set up any matched pairs for this property as it was such a unique property that any such comparison would be difficult to rely on. The broker's comments do support the assertion that the adjoining solar farm had no impact on value. The home in this case was 510 feet from the closest panel.

11. Matched Pair – Spotsylvania Solar, Paytes, Spotsylvania County, VA





This solar farm is being built in four phases with the area known as Site C having completed construction in November 2020 after the entire project was approved in April 2019. Site C, also known as Pleinmont 1 Solar, includes 99.6 MW located in the southeast corner of the project and shown on the maps above with adjoining parcels 111 through 144. The entire Spotsylvania project totals 617 MW on 3500 acres out of a parent tract assemblage of 6,412 acres.

I have identified three adjoining home sales that occurred during construction and development of the site in 2020.

The first is located on the north side of Site A on Orange Plank Road. The second is located on Nottoway Lane just north of Caparthin Road on the south side of Site A and east of Site C. The third is located on Post Oak Road for a home that backs up to Site C that sold in September 2020 near the completion of construction for Site C.

Spotsylvania Solar Farm

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	12901 Orng Plnk	5.20	8/27/2020	\$319,900	1984	1,714	\$186.64	3/2	Drive	1.5	Un Bsmt
Not	8353 Gold Dale	3.00	1/27/2021	\$415,000	2004	2,064	\$201.07	3/2	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	6488 Southfork	7.26	9/9/2020	\$375,000	2017	1,680	\$223.21	3/2	2 Gar	1.5	Barn/Patio
Not	12717 Flintlock	0.47	12/2/2020	\$290,000	1990	1,592	\$182.16	3/2.5	Det Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
12901 Orng Plnk								\$319,900		1270
8353 Gold Dale	-\$5,219	\$20,000	-\$41,500	-\$56,298			-\$20,000	\$311,983	2%	
6488 Southfork	-\$401	-\$20,000	-\$61,875	\$6,071			-\$15,000	\$283,796	11%	
12717 Flintlock	-\$2,312	\$40,000	-\$8,700	\$17,779	-\$5,000	-\$5,000		\$326,767	-2%	

Average Diff 4%

I contacted Keith Snider to confirm this sale. This is considered to have a medium landscaping screen.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	9641 Nottoway	11.00	5/12/2020	\$449,900	2004	3,186	\$141.21	4/2.5	Garage	2-Story	Un Bsmt
Not	26123 Lafayette	1.00	8/3/2020	\$390,000	2006	3,142	\$124.12	3/3.5	Gar/DtG	2-Story	
Not	11626 Forest	5.00	8/10/2020	\$489,900	2017	3,350	\$146.24	4/3.5	2 Gar	2-Story	
Not	10304 Pny Brnch	6.00	7/27/2020	\$485,000	1998	3,076	\$157.67	4/4	2Gar/Dt2	Ranch	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
9641 Nottoway								\$449,900		1950
26123 Lafayette	-\$2,661	\$45,000	-\$3,900	\$4,369	-\$10,000	-\$5,000		\$417,809	7%	
11626 Forest	-\$3,624		-\$31,844	-\$19,187		-\$5,000		\$430,246	4%	
10304 Pny Brnch	-\$3,030		\$14,550	\$13,875	-\$15,000	-\$15,000	-\$10,000	\$470,396	-5%	

Average Diff 2%

I contacted Annette Roberts with ReMax about this transaction. This is considered to have a medium landscaping screen.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	13353 Post Oak	5.20	9/21/2020	\$300,000	1992	2,400	\$125.00	4/3	Drive	2-Story	Fn Bsmt
Not	9609 Logan Hgt	5.86	7/4/2019	\$330,000	2004	2,352	\$140.31	3/2	2Gar	2-Story	
Not	12810 Catharpian	6.18	1/30/2020	\$280,000	2008	2,240	\$125.00	4/2.5	Drive	2-Story Bsmt/Nd Pnt	
Not	10725 Rbrt Lee	5.01	10/26/2020	\$295,000	1995	2,166	\$136.20	4/3	Gar	2-Story	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
13353 Post Oak								\$300,000		1171
9609 Logan Hgt	\$12,070		-\$19,800	\$5,388		-\$15,000	\$15,000	\$327,658	-9%	
12810 Catharpian	\$5,408		-\$22,400	\$16,000	\$5,000		\$15,000	\$299,008	0%	
10725 Rbrt Lee	-\$849		-\$4,425	\$25,496		-\$10,000		\$305,222	-2%	

Average Diff -4%

I contacted Joy Pearson with CTI Real Estate about this transaction. This is considered to have a heavy landscaping screen.

All three of these homes are well set back from the solar panels at distances over 1,000 feet and are well screened from the project. All three show no indication of any impact on property value.

There are a couple of recent lot sales located along Southview Court that have sold since the solar farm was approved. The most recent lot sales include 11700 Southview Court that sold on December 29, 2021 for \$140,000 for a 0.76-acre lot. This property was on the market for less than 2 months before closing within 6% of the asking price. This lot sold earlier in September 2019 for \$55,000 based on a liquidation sale from NTS to an investor.

A similar 0.68-acre lot at 11507 Stonewood Court within the same subdivision located away from the solar farm sold on March 9, 2021 for \$109,000. This lot sold for 18% over the asking price within 1 month of listing suggesting that this was priced too low. Adjusting this lot value upward by 12% for very strong growth in the market over 2021, the adjusted indicated value is \$122,080 for this lot. This is still showing a 15% premium for the lot backing up to the solar farm.

The lot at 11009 Southview Court sold on August 5, 2019 for \$65,000, which is significantly lower than the more recent sales. This lot was sold by NTS the original developer of this subdivision, who was in the process of liquidating lots in this subdivision with multiple lot sales in this time period throughout the subdivision being sold at discounted prices. The home was later improved by the buyer with a home built in 2020 with 2,430 square feet ranch, 3.5 bathrooms, with a full basement, and a current assessed value of \$492,300.

I spoke with Chris Kalia, MAI, Mark Doherty, local real estate investor, and Alex Doherty, broker, who are all three familiar with this subdivision and activity in this neighborhood. All three indicated that there was a deep sell off of lots in the neighborhood by NTS at discounted prices under \$100,000 each. Those lots since that time are being sold for up to \$140,000. The prices paid for the lots below \$100,000 were liquidation values and not indicative of market value. Homes are being built in the neighborhood on those lots with home prices ranging from \$600,000 to \$800,000 with no sign of impact on pricing due to the solar farm according to all three sources.





Fawn Lake Lot Sales

Parcel	Solar?	Address	Acres	Sale Date	Sale Price	Ad. For Time	% Diff
A	Adjoins	11700 Southview Ct	0.76	12/29/2021	\$140,000		
1	1 parcel away	11603 Southview Ct	0.44	3/31/2022	\$140,000	\$141,960	-1.4%
2	Not adjoin	11507 Stonewood Ct	0.68	3/9/2021	\$109,000	\$118,374	15.4%
3	Not adjoin	11312 Westgate Wy	0.83	10/15/2020	\$125,000	\$142,000	-1.4%
4	Not adjoin	11409 Darkstone Pl	0.589	9/23/2021	\$118,000	\$118,000	15.7%
						Average	7.1%
						Median	7.0%
						Least Adjusted	15.7%
						2nd Least Adjusted (Parcel 1 off solar farm)	-1.4%

Time Adjustments are based on the FHFA Housing Price Index

I have identified additional home sales after construction was complete. I looked at 11710 Southview Court that sold on May 5, 2022. I have compared that to three similar homes built and

sold in the same time frame in the same community but not near the solar farm. The first two comparables are in close proximity to Fawn Lake and may have some mild enhancement from that proximity, but I made no adjustment for that factor.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	11710 Soutview	0.89	5/5/2022	\$767,945	2022	3,740	\$205.33	5/4.5	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt
Not	11305 Hidden	0.57	2/18/2022	\$789,905	2022	3,750	\$210.64	4/3.5	2Gar	2-Story	PrtFinBsmt
Not	10501 Ridge Cv	0.57	12/30/2021	\$737,119	2021	3,535	\$208.52	6/4	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt
Not	10919 Grn Lf	0.39	6/16/2022	\$739,990	2022	3,768	\$196.39	4/4.5	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted											
Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist	
11710 Soutview								\$767,945		435	
11305 Hidden	\$18,092		\$0	-\$843	\$15,000		-\$20,000	\$802,155	-4%		
10501 Ridge Cv	\$27,990		\$0	\$17,099	\$10,000			\$792,208	-3%		
10919 Grn Lf	-\$9,366		\$0	-\$2,200				\$728,424	5%		
Average Diff									-1%		

I identified a sale at 11708 Southview Court that sold on September 1, 2021 for \$623,345. The first comparable required a significant adjustment for the unfinished basement, but otherwise required the least adjusting. In this time of rapid home value increase, I consider the sale closest in time to be the best indicator for this paired sale.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	11606 Aprils	0.73	9/7/2023	\$711,400	2023	2,745	\$259.16	4/3	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt
Not	11701 Quail Rn	0.44	7/26/2023	\$650,000	2020	2,588	\$251.16	3/2.5	2Gar	2-Story	
Not	11809 Pheasant	0.36	10/3/2022	\$629,510	2022	2,612	\$241.01	3/2	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt
Not	10908 Grn Lf	0.43	2/16/2023	\$774,760	2023	2,927	\$264.69	5/4	2Gar	2-Story	UnBsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted											
Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist	
11606 Aprils								\$711,400		410	
11701 Quail Rn	\$5,360		\$9,750	\$15,773	\$10,000		\$32,500	\$723,383	-2%		
11809 Pheasant	\$40,927		\$0	\$12,822	\$15,000			\$698,258	2%		
10908 Grn Lf	\$30,163		\$0	-\$19,270	-\$15,000			\$770,653	-8%		
Average Diff									-3%		

12. Matched Pair – Whitehorn Solar, Gretna, Pittsylvania County, VA



This project was built in 2021 for a solar project with 50 MW. Adjoining uses are residential and agricultural. There was a sale located at 1120 Taylors Mill Road that sold on December 20, 2021, which is about the time the solar farm was completed. This sold for \$224,000 for 2.02 acres with a 2,079 s.f. mobile home on it that was built in 2010. The property was listed for \$224,000 and sold for that same price within two months (went under contract almost exactly 30 days from listing). This sales price works out to \$108 per square foot. This home is 255 feet from the nearest panel.

I have compared this sale to an August 20, 2020 sale at 1000 Long Branch Drive that included 5.10 acres with a 1,980 s.f. mobile home that was built in 1993 and sold for \$162,000, or \$81.82 per square foot. Adjusting this upward for significant growth between this sale date and December 2021 relied on data provided by the FHFA House Pricing Index, which indicates that for homes in the Roanoke, VA MSA would be expected to appreciate from \$162,000 to \$191,000 over that period of time. Using \$191,000 as the effective value as of the date of comparison, the indicated value of this sale works out to \$96.46 per square foot. Adjusting this upward by 17% for the difference in year built, but downward by 5% for the much larger lot size at this comparable, I derive an adjusted indication of value of \$213,920, or \$108 per square foot.

This indicates no impact on value attributable to the new solar farm located across from the home on Taylors Mill Road.

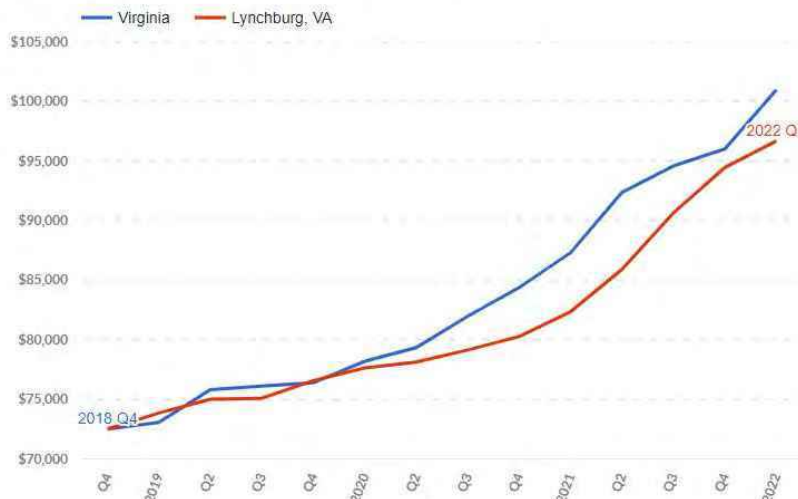
13. Matched Pair – Altavista Solar, Altavista, Campbell County, VA



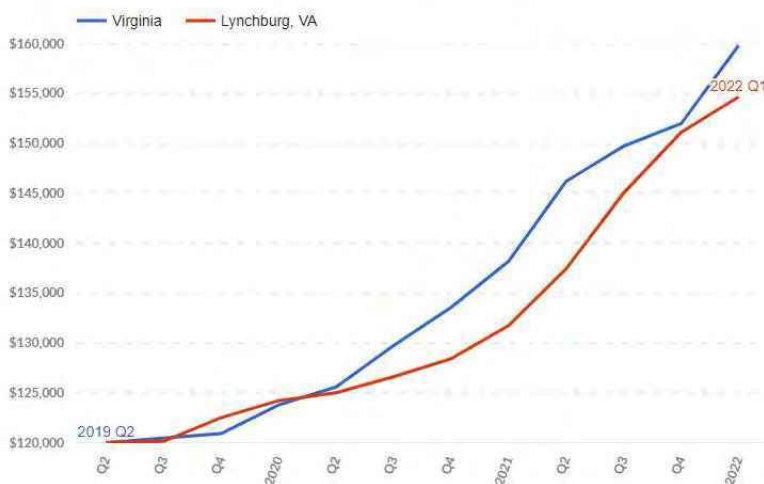
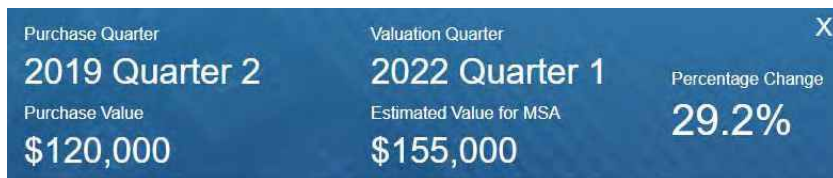
This project was mostly built in 2021 with final construction finished in 2022. This is an 80 MW facility on 720 acres just north of Roanoke River and west of Altavista. Adjoining uses are residential and agricultural.

I have done a Sale/Resale analysis of 3211 Leesville Road which is approximately 540 feet from the nearest solar panel. There was an existing row of trees between this home and the panels that was supplemented with additional screening for a narrow landscaped buffer between the home and the solar panels.

This home sold in December 2018 for \$72,500 for this 1,451 s.f. home built in 1940 with a number of additional outbuildings on 3.35 acres. This was before any announcement of a solar farm. This home sold again on March 28, 2022 for \$124,048 after the solar farm was constructed. This shows a 71% increase in value on this property since 2018. There was significant growth in the market between these dates and to accurately reflect that I have considered the FHFA House Price Index that is specific for the Lynchburg area of Virginia (the closest regional category), which shows an expected increase in home values over that same time period of 33.8%, which would suggest a normal growth in value up to \$97,000. The home sold for significantly more than this which certainly does not support a finding of a negative impact and in fact suggests a significant positive impact. However, I was not able to discuss this sale with the broker and it is possible that the home also was renovated between 2018 and 2022, which may account for that additional increase in value. Still given that the home increased in value so significantly over the initial amount there is no sign of any negative impact due to the solar farm adjacency, but I have not included this datapoint in the charts as it shows a substantial outlier enhancement due to adjoining a solar project which is likely attributable to renovations and not an actual enhancement.



Similarly, I looked at 3026 Bishop Creek Road that is approximately 600 feet from the nearest solar panel. This home sold on July 16, 2019 for \$120,000, which was before construction of the solar farm. This home sold again on February 23, 2022 for \$150,000. This shows a 25% increase in value over that time period. Using the same FHFA House Price Index Calculator, the expected increase in value was 29.2% for an indicated expected value of \$155,000. This is within 3% of the actual closed price, which supports a finding of no impact from the solar farm. This home has a dense wooded area between it and the adjoining solar farm.

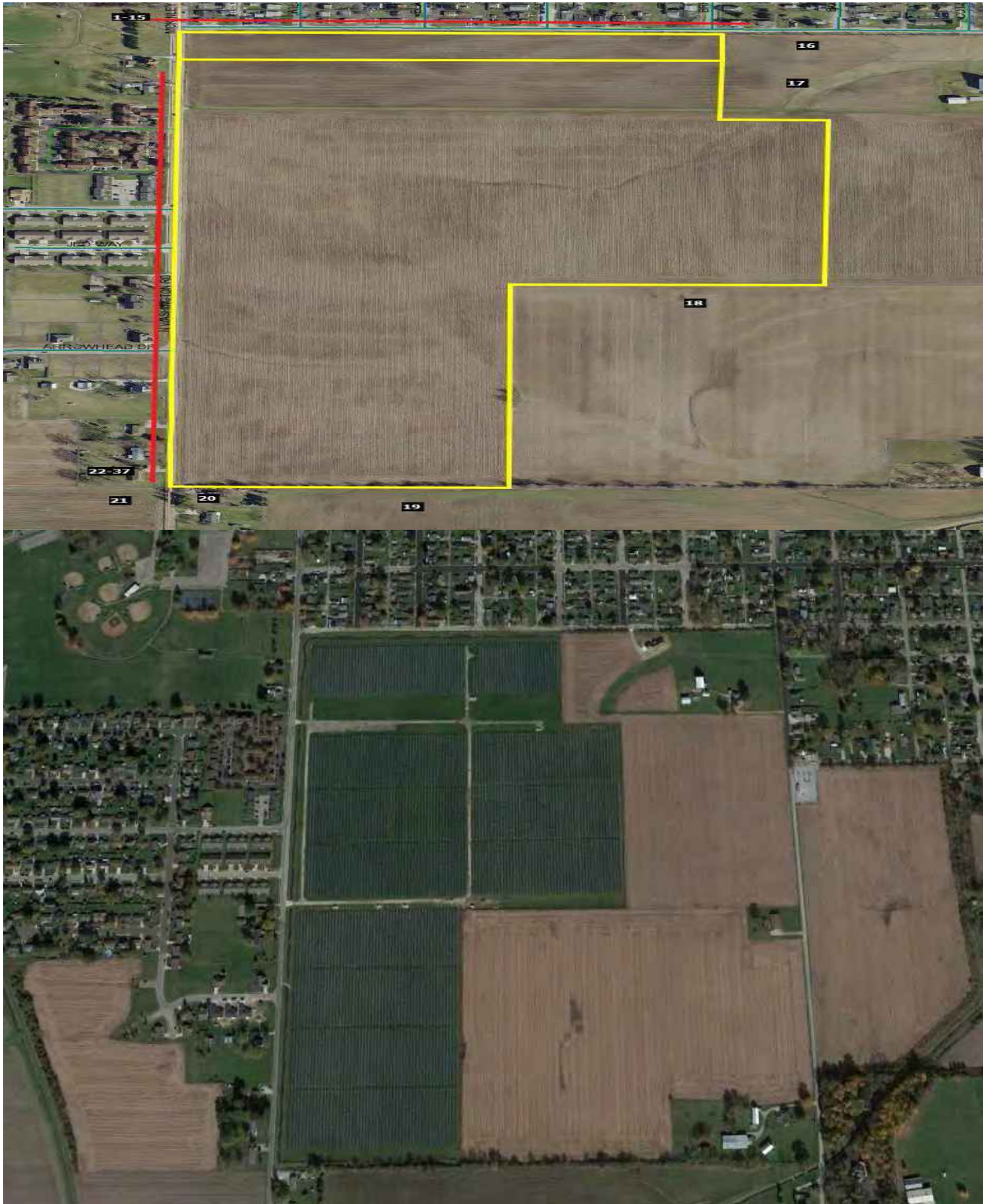


I also considered 2049 Bishop Creek Road that sold on July 3, 2023. This home included a pool and in the analysis I made no consideration positive or negative for the pool among the comparables. The comparable at 3270 Wards has a partially finished basement instead of a fully finished basement, but I was unable to determine how much that partial indicated. I will focus on the other two paired sales which range from -5% to +4% impacts and support a finding of no impact on property value.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Nearby	2049 Bishop Crk	3.72	7/3/2023	\$375,000	1970	3,966	\$94.55	3/3	2Gar	Br Rnch FinBsmt/Pool	
Not	56 Whisper. Pn	1.02	2/29/2024	\$375,000	1988	3,548	\$105.69	5/3	2Gar	Br Rnch	FinBsmt
Not	1900 Woodhaven	1.90	8/31/2022	\$355,000	1969	3,643	\$97.45	3/2/2	2Gar	Br Rnch	FinBsmt
Not	3270 Wards	3.60	9/21/2023	\$325,000	1960	3,564	\$91.19	3/2.5	2Gar	Br Rnch	PrtFn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
2049 Bishop Crk								\$375,000		745
56 Whisper. Pn	-\$17,332	\$20,000	-\$33,750	\$17,672				\$361,590	4%	
1900 Woodhaven	\$20,833	\$10,000	\$1,775	\$12,590	-\$5,000			\$395,198	-5%	
3270 Wards	-\$4,986		\$16,250	\$14,663	\$10,000			\$360,927	4%	
Average Diff									1%	

14. Matched Pair – DG Amp Piqua, Piqua, Miami County, OH

This project is located on the southeast corner of Manier Street and N Washington Road, Piqua, OH. There are a number of nearby homes to the north, south and west of this solar farm.

I considered one adjoining sale and one nearby sale (one parcel off) that happened since the project was built in 2019. I did not consider the sale of a home located at Parcel 20 that happened in that time period as that property was marketed with damaged floors in the kitchen and bathroom, rusted baseboard heaters and generally was sold in an As-Is condition that makes it difficult to compare to move-in ready homes. I also did not consider some sales to the north that sold for prices significantly under \$100,000. The homes in that community includes a wide range of smaller, older homes that have been selling for prices ranging from \$25,000 to \$80,000. I have not been tracking home sales under \$100,000 as homes in that price range are less susceptible to external factors.

The adjoining sale at 6060 N Washington is a brick range fronting on a main road. I did not adjust the comparables for that factor despite the subdivision exposure on those comparables was superior. I considered the difference in lot size to be balancing factors. If I adjusted further for that main road frontage, then it would actually show a positive impact for adjoining the solar farm.

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Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
22	Adjoins	6060 N Washington	0.80	10/30/2019	\$119,500	1961	1,404	\$85.11	3/1	2 Gar	Br Rnch	Updates
	Not	1523 Amesbury	0.25	5/7/2020	\$119,900	1973	1,316	\$91.11	3/2	Gar	Br Rnch	Updates
	Not	1609 Haverhill	0.17	10/17/2019	\$114,900	1974	1,531	\$75.05	3/1	Gar	Br Rnch	Updates
	Not	1511 Sweetbriar	0.17	8/6/2020	\$123,000	1972	1,373	\$89.58	4/2	Gar	Br Rnch	Updates

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
							\$119,500			155
-\$1,920		-\$7,194	\$6,414	-\$5,000	\$7,500	\$0	\$119,700	0%		
\$126		-\$7,469	-\$7,625		\$7,500	\$0	\$107,432	10%		
-\$2,913		-\$6,765	\$2,222	-\$5,000	\$7,500	\$0	\$118,044	1%	4%	

I also considered a home fronting on Plymouth Avenue which is one lot to the west of the solar farm with a rear view towards the solar farm. After adjustments this set of matched pairs shows no impact on the value of the property due to proximity to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Nearby	1011 Plymouth	0.21	2/24/2020	\$113,000	1973	1,373	\$82.30	4/2	Gar	1.5 Stry	Fnce/Shd
	Not	1630 Haverhill	0.32	8/18/2019	\$94,900	1973	1,373	\$69.12	4/2	Gar	1.5 Stry	N/A
	Not	1720 Williams	0.17	12/4/2019	\$119,900	1968	1,682	\$71.28	4/1	2Gar	1.5 Br	Fnce/Shd
	Not	1710 Cambridge	0.17	1/22/2018	\$116,000	1968	1,648	\$70.39	4/2	Det 2	1.5 Br	Fnce/Shd

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
							\$113,000			585
\$1,519		\$0	\$0			\$10,000	\$106,419	6%		
\$829		\$2,998	-\$17,621	\$5,000			\$111,105	2%		
\$7,459		\$2,900	-\$15,485				\$110,873	2%	3%	

I considered a home located at 6010 N Washington that sold on August 3, 2021. This property was sold with significant upgrades that made it more challenging to compare, but I focused on similar older brick ranches with updates in the analysis. The comparables suggest an enhancement to this property due to proximity from the solar farm, but it is more likely that the upgrades at the subject were superior. Still this strongly supports a finding of no impact on the value of the property due to proximity to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
24	Adjoins	6010 N Washington	0.80	8/3/2021	\$176,900	1961	1,448	\$122.17	4/2	2 Gar	Br Ranch	Updates
	Not	1244 Severs	0.19	10/29/2021	\$149,900	1962	1,392	\$107.69	3/2	Gar	Br Ranch	Updates
	Not	1515 Amesbury	0.19	5/5/2022	\$156,500	1973	1,275	\$122.75	3/2	2 Gar	Br Ranch	Updates
	Not	1834 Wilshire	0.21	12/3/2021	\$168,900	1979	1,265	\$133.52	3/2	2 Gar	Br Ranch	Updates

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
							\$176,900			155
-\$1,099		-\$750	\$4,221		\$7,000		\$159,273	10%		
-\$3,627		-\$9,390	\$16,988				\$160,471	9%		
-\$1,736		-\$14,357	\$19,547				\$172,354	3%		
									7%	

I considered a home located at 6240 N Washington that sold on October 15, 2021. The paired sale located at 532 Wilson included a sunroom that I did not adjust for. The -4% impact from that sale is related to that property having a superior sunroom and not related to proximity to the solar farm. The other two comparables strongly support that assertion as well as a finding of no impact on the value of the property due to proximity to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	6240 N Washington	1.40	10/15/2021	\$155,000	1962	1,582	\$97.98	2/1	Det 3	Ranch	
	Not	1408 Brooks	0.13	8/20/2021	\$105,000	1957	1,344	\$78.13	3/1	Drive	Ranch	
	Not	532 Wilson	0.14	7/29/2021	\$159,900	1948	1,710	\$93.51	3/2	Det Gar	Ranch	Sunroom
	Not	424 Pinewood	0.17	5/20/2022	\$151,000	1960	1,548	\$97.55	4/2	Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
							\$155,000			160
\$496		\$2,625	\$13,016		\$15,000		\$136,136	12%		
\$1,051		\$11,193	-\$9,575	-\$10,000	\$8,000		\$160,569	-4%		
-\$2,761		-\$2,265	\$2,653	-\$10,000	\$7,000		\$145,627	6%		
									5%	

Based on these four matched pairs, the data at this solar farm supports a finding of no impact on property value due to the proximity of the solar farm for homes as close as 155 feet.

I also identified three new construction home sales on Arrowhead Drive that sold in 2022. I have reached out to the builder regarding those homes, but these homes sold between \$250,000 and \$275,000 each and were located within 350 feet of the solar farm. These sales show that the presence of the solar farm is not inhibiting new home construction in proximity to the solar farm.

15. Matched Pair – Solidago Solar, Windsor, Isle of Wight County, VA

This 20 MW solar farm was completed in March 2024. The closest adjoining home is 350 feet away.



The home located just north of this solar farm at 17479 Courthouse Highway, Windsor on December 28, 2023 for \$555,000 for this 4 BR, 2.5 BA with 2,775 s.f. built in 2001 on 3.62 acres with a 2-car garage. This also includes a 4 bay barn and large metal storage building, which complicates using this home for paired sales analysis. The purchase price works out to \$200 per s.f. The tax card allocates \$23,000 to the two outbuildings (assessed value), which I will use in adjusting the comparables. This home is 610 feet from the nearest solar panel.

I have compared this to 15414 Trump Town Road, Windsor that sold on September 22, 2023 for \$463,000 for a 4 BR, 2.5 BA home with 2,583 s.f. built in 1998 on 1.88 acres with a 2-car garage. The purchase price works out to \$179.25 per s.f. Adjusting the price upward by \$18,000 for the additional acreage and \$23,000 for the outbuildings, the indicated price becomes \$514,000, or \$198.99 per s.f. I made no adjustment for the difference in frontage but Courthouse Highway is a busier road than Trump Town Road, which is inferior. If I adjusted for that road frontage difference, the Trump Town Road sales price would go even lower. The adjusted sales price is 1% less than the price of the home next to the solar farm sold for and supports a finding of no impact on property value. Applying that per s.f. rate to the home size at Courthouse Highway indicates an adjusted value of \$552,197, which is also just 1% less than the sales price of the home adjoining the solar farm.

I also considered 11497 Dews Plantation Road, Ivor, which the broker Anna Boyer suggested was a good comparable. This home sold on October 19, 2023 for \$640,000 for a 3 BR, 2.5 BA with 2,684

s.f., built in 2003 with a 2-car garage on 15.20 acres. This home includes a powered horse barn with 4 stalls and a tack room, an additional 2-car detached garage with a finished room over it and fenced pasture. Adjusting the price downward by \$58,000 for the much larger acreage and \$41,000 for the outbuildings (difference in assessed value of relative outbuildings) the adjusted sales price is \$541,000, or \$201.56 per s.f. This is 1% more than the home at Courthouse Highway without making any adjustment for the difference in frontage, which supports a finding of no impact on property value. Applying that per s.f. rate to the home size at Courthouse Highway indicates an adjusted value of \$559,329, which is also just 1% more than the sales price of the home adjoining the solar farm. I consider both of these reasonable comparisons, but the Trump Town Road comparable is closer and required less adjusting, which makes it a more reliable comparable.

I reached out to Anna Boyer with Howard Hanna Smithfield as the listing broker for this home. She indicated that she believed that the solar farm was a big issue for a number of folks who came to look at this home and it could have impacted the sales price. However, she also indicated that while she initially listed the property for \$625,000, her internal analysis suggested a value of \$550,000 and she only listed it at the higher price due to the owner's insistence. She noted that \$550,000 was her opinion assuming no impact from the solar farm. When they later dropped the asking price to \$559,000, they received an offer quickly and the property appraised and sold for \$555,000. She noted that the appraiser indicated that the solar farm would not impact the value and assigned no impact on the appraisal. The closing price was slightly above the broker's opinion of value and supported by the appraisal with no impact from the adjoining solar farm.

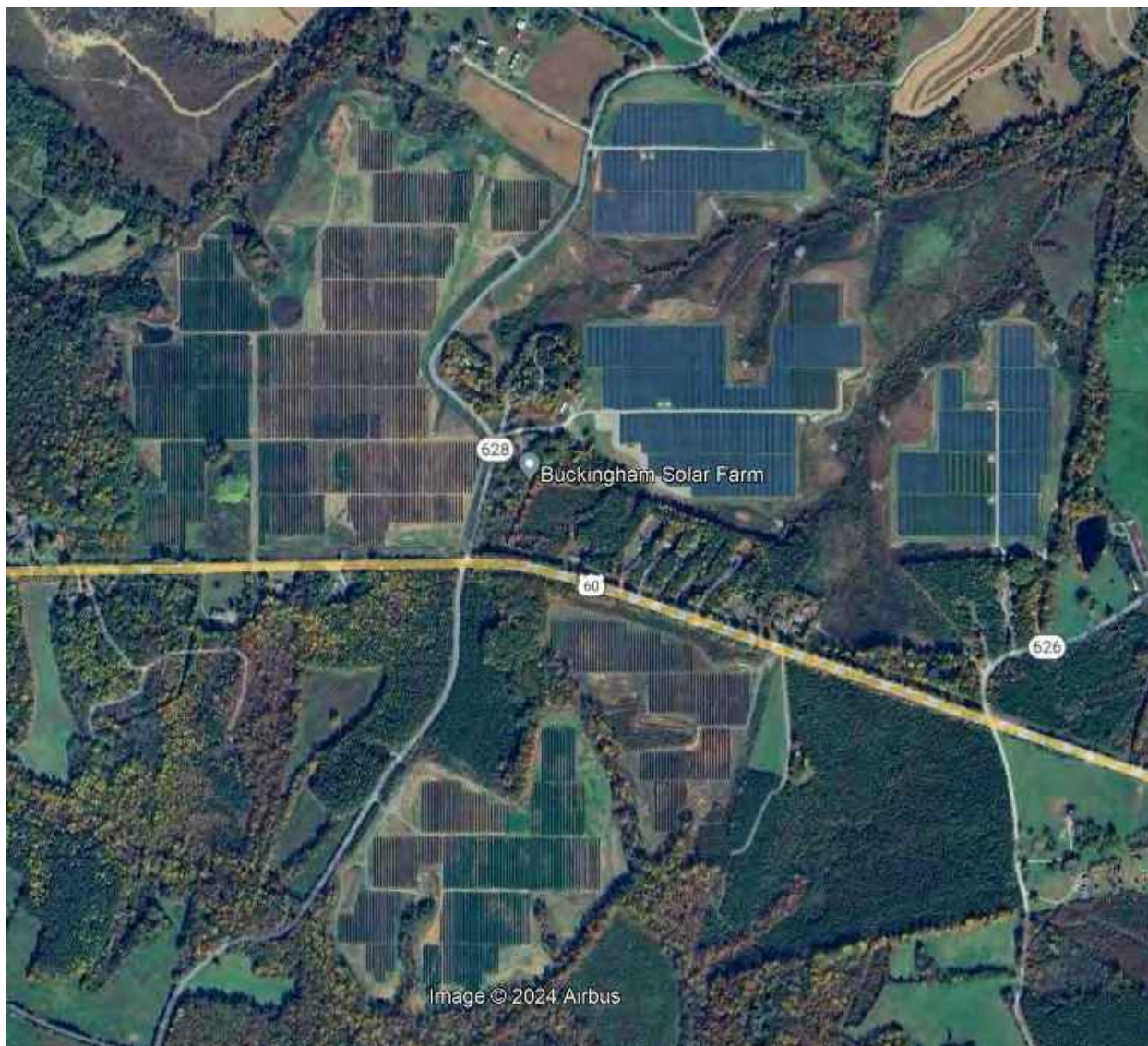
Ms. Boyer indicated that she currently has a listing at 6568 Beechland Road, Elberon that is asking \$585,000 for a 4 BR, 3.5 BA with 2,800 s.f. built in 2000 on 9.33 acres with a 2-car garage and a detached garage with a workshop. This has been on the market for 55 days so far and she has had a number of potential buyers express concern over the adjoining solar farm. This illustrates that for some buyers the solar farm will be a deterrent, but she also noted that some potential buyers have indicated that the solar farm is protection from future development nearby.

The home located at 12256 Redhouse Road sold on February 8, 2024 for \$671,650 for this 2,640 s.f. home with 3 BR, 2 full BA and 2 half BA built in 2002 on 21 acres, or \$254.41 per s.f. Given that this home includes an updated kitchen, bar/entertainment room, 4-stall barn with feed and wash stalls and stable room with electrical fencing for pastures, riding ring and other horse features this becomes a difficult home to use for a paired sales analysis. I reached out to Anna Hansen with Surry Side Realty about this sale. She said that while she expected a certain amount of pushback from the solar farm she did not have any negative comments or impacts from the solar farm and it therefore did not impact the sales price or marketing of this home. This home is 640 feet from the nearest panel.

While it is challenging to find a good comparable, I considered 11497 Dews Plantation Road, Ivor, which has similar pasture and a horse features. This home sold on October 19, 2023 for \$640,000 for a 3 BR, 2.5 BA with 2,684 s.f., built in 2003 with a 2-car garage on 15.20 acres. This home includes a powered horse barn with 4 stalls and a tack room, an additional 2-car detached garage with a finished room over it and fenced pasture. Adjusting the price upward by \$25,000 for the smaller acreage and assuming that the horse features balance out, the adjusted sales price is \$665,000, or \$247.76 per s.f. This is 3% less than the home at Redhouse Road, which supports a finding of no impact on property value.

Interestingly, Ms. Anna Boyer indicated that she did bring a prospective buyer to view 12256 Redhouse Road. That buyer visited the site 3 times before deciding that the solar farm would be the reason she did not want to purchase that home. So while there clearly are purchasers in the market that would not purchase a home next to a solar farm, there are enough other buyers that do not see it as a negative to keep the prices stable as illustrated by the paired sales above.

16. Matched Pair – Buckingham Solar, Cumberland, Buckingham County, VA



Buckingham Solar is a 19.8 MW project east of 628 shown above, while Energix Buckingham is a 20 MW project west of 628 shown above.

The closest adjoining home is 125 feet from the nearest panel.

1 - I identified 24081 E James Anderson Highway sold on June 2, 2023 for \$160,000 for a 3 BR, 2BA, 1,248 s.f. manufactured home built in 1999 on 1 acre. This home is 380 feet from the solar panels south of US 60 and 760 feet from the solar panels to the north. The sales price works out to \$128.21 per s.f.

I compared that to 755 High School Road that sold on September 8, 2023 for \$190,000 for a 3 BR, 2BA, 1,296 s.f. manufactured home built in 2007 on 2.04 acres and including a detached workshop with power. Adjusting this sale downward by \$5,000 for the difference in lot size, \$7,600 for difference in building age (based on 0.5% per year difference in age), and \$15,000 for the detached workshop for an adjusted indication of value of \$162,400, or \$125.31 per s.f. This supports a finding of no impact on property value for the home at 24081 E James Anderson Highway due to the solar farm proximity.

2 - I also identified 23225 E James Anderson Highway that sold on June 30, 2023 for \$180,000 for a 2 BR, 1 BA, 1,076 s.f. home built in 1958 on 1.50 acres with a 2-car garage and a full unfinished basement. This home is 560 feet from the nearest solar panel.

I compared that to 17534 E James Anderson Highway that sold on January 24, 2024 for \$205,000 for a 3 BR, 2 BA, 1,218 s.f. home built in 1968 on 2 acres with a carport and detached 2 car garage and a full unfinished basement. Adjusting this sale downward by \$10,000 for the extra bathroom and \$9,560 for the larger size of this home (based on 40% of the per s.f. value for the difference in s.f.), the adjusted indication of value is \$185,440, which is within 3% of the property next to the solar farm. This difference is more likely attributable to the extra 0.50 acres at this site that I did not adjust for, but either way is within typical market imperfection and supports a finding of no impact on property value.

Conclusion

The solar farm matched pairs shown above have similar characteristics to each other in terms of population, but with several outliers showing solar farms in far more urban areas. The median income for the population within 1 mile of a solar farm among this subset of matched pairs is \$60,657 with a median housing unit value of \$204,423. Most of the comparables are under \$300,000 in the home price, with \$483,333 being the high end of the set, though I have matched pairs in other states over \$1,600,000 in price adjoining large solar farms. The predominate adjoining uses are residential and agricultural. These figures are in line with the larger set of solar farms that I have looked at with the predominant adjoining uses being residential and agricultural and similar to the solar farm breakdown shown for Kentucky and adjoining states as well as the proposed subject property.

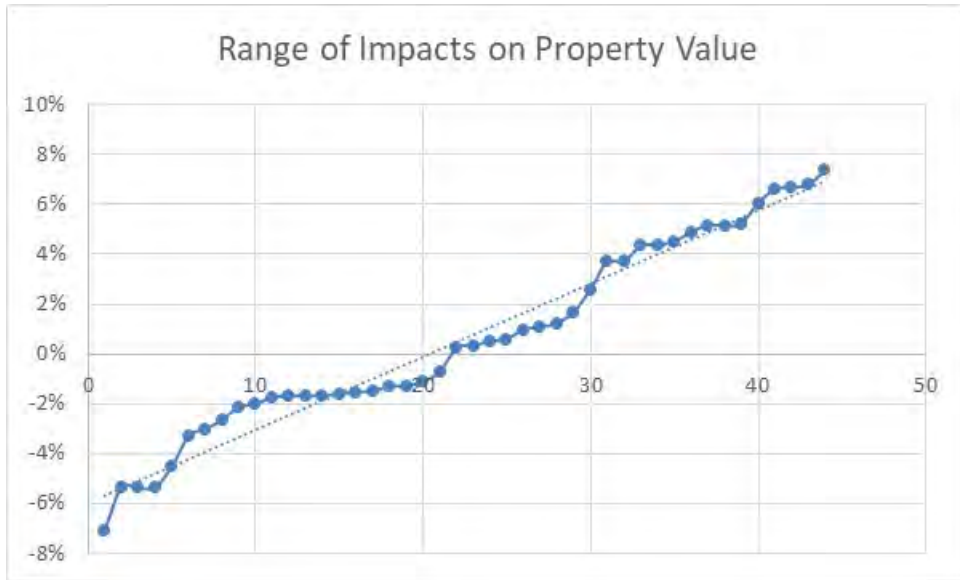
Based on the similarity of adjoining uses and demographic data between these sites and the subject property, I consider it reasonable to compare these sites to the subject property.

Matched Pair Summary					Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2023 Data)			
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Population	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit	
1	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	34	2.70	40	22%	51%	27%	0%	1,419	\$60,198	\$178,643
2	Walton 2	Walton	KY	58	2.00	90	21%	0%	60%	19%	880	\$81,709	\$277,717
3	Turkey Crk	Lancaster	KY	753	50.00	120	7%	36%	51%	6%	257	\$52,892	\$221,809
4	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746
5	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	160	20.00	1	8%	87%	5%	0%	96	\$70,158	\$187,037
6	Portage	Portage	IN	56	2.00	0	19%	81%	0%	0%	6,642	\$65,695	\$186,463
7	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	134	8.60	20	3%	97%	0%	0%	3,774	\$61,115	\$167,515
8	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453
9	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076
10	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208
11	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	615.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333
12	Whitehorn	Gretna	VA	N/A	50.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	166	\$43,179	\$168,750
13	Altavista	Altavista	VA	720	80.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	\$50,000	\$341,667
14	DG Amp Piqua	Piqua	OH	86	12.60	2	26%	16%	58%	0%	6,735	\$38,919	\$96,555
15	Solidago	Isle of Wight	VA	193	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	62	\$88,375	\$312,500
16	Buckingham	Cumberland	VA	240	39.80	50	4%	6%	90%	0%	120	\$59,445	\$251,562
Average				476	60.48	56	14%	54%	29%	2%	1,347	\$65,418	\$243,440
Median				193	20.00	50	13%	52%	20%	0%	230	\$60,657	\$204,423
High				3,500	615.00	160	37%	98%	90%	19%	6,735	\$120,861	\$483,333
Low				34	2.00	0	2%	0%	0%	0%	7	\$38,919	\$96,555

These are very similar to the demographics shown around these comparable solar farms.

On the following page is a summary of the 44 matched pairs for all of the solar farms noted above. They show a pattern of results from -7% to +7% with a median of 0% and an average of +1%.

As can be seen in the chart of those results below, most of the data points are between -5% and +5%. This variability is common with real estate and consistent with market imperfection. I therefore conclude that these results strongly support an indication of no impact on property value due to the adjacent solar farm.



Residential Dwelling Matched Pairs Adjoining Solar Farms

Pair	Solar Farm	City	State	Area	MW	Approx		Sale			
						Distance	Tax ID/Address	Date	Sale Price	Adj. Price	% Diff
1	Portage	Portage	IN	Rural	2	1320	836 N 450 W	Sep-13	\$149,800		
							336 E 1050 N	Jan-13	\$155,000	\$144,282	4%
2	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013249 (Tax ID)	Dec-15	\$140,000		
							5723 Minden	Nov-16	\$139,900	\$132,700	5%
3	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013251 (Tax ID)	Sep-17	\$160,000		
							5910 Mosaic	Aug-16	\$146,000	\$152,190	5%
4	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013252 (Tax ID)	May-17	\$147,000		
							5836 Sable	Jun-16	\$141,000	\$136,165	7%
5	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013258 (Tax ID)	Dec-15	\$131,750		
							5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$134,068	-2%
6	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013260 (Tax ID)	Mar-15	\$127,000		
							5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$128,957	-2%
7	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	Rural	8.6	400	2013261 (Tax ID)	Feb-14	\$120,000		
							5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$121,930	-2%
8	DG Amp	Piqua	OH	Suburban	12.6	155	6060 N Washington	Oct-19	\$119,500		
							1511 Sweetbriar	Aug-20	\$123,000	\$118,044	1%
9	DG Amp	Piqua	OH	Suburban	12.6	585	1011 Plymouth	Feb-20	\$113,000		
							1720 Williams	Dec-19	\$119,900	\$111,105	2%
10	DG Amp	Piqua	OH	Suburban	12.6	155	6010 N Washington	Aug-21	\$176,900		
							1834 Wilshire	Dec-21	\$168,900	\$172,354	3%
11	DG Amp	Piqua	OH	Suburban	12.6	160	6240 N Washington	Oct-21	\$155,000		
							424 Pinewood	May-22	\$151,000	\$145,627	6%
12	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	Rural	617	1270	12901 Orange Plnk	Aug-20	\$319,900		
							12717 Flintlock	Dec-20	\$290,000	\$326,767	-2%
13	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	Rural	617	1950	9641 Nottoway	May-20	\$449,900		
							11626 Forest	Aug-20	\$489,900	\$430,246	4%
14	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	Rural	617	1171	13353 Post Oak	Sep-20	\$300,000		
							12810 Catharpin	Jan-20	\$280,000	\$299,008	0%
15	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	Rural	20	250	5241 Barham	Oct-18	\$264,000		
							9252 Ordinary	Jun-19	\$277,000	\$246,581	7%
16	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	Rural	20	1230	833 Nations Spr	Aug-19	\$385,000		
							2393 Old Chapel	Aug-20	\$330,000	\$389,286	-1%
17	Sappony	Stony Creek	VA	Rural	20	1425	12511 Palestine	Jul-18	\$128,400		
							6494 Rocky Branch	Nov-18	\$100,000	\$131,842	-3%
18	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	373	250 Claiborne	Jan-19	\$120,000		
							315 N Fork	May-19	\$107,000	\$120,889	-1%
19	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	488	300 Claiborne	Sep-18	\$213,000		
							1795 Bay Valley	Dec-17	\$231,200	\$228,180	-7%
20	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	720	350 Claiborne	Jul-18	\$245,000		
							2160 Sherman	Jun-19	\$265,000	\$248,225	-1%
21	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	930	370 Claiborne	Aug-19	\$273,000		
							125 Lexington	Apr-18	\$240,000	\$254,751	7%
22	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	365	250 Claiborne	Jan-22	\$210,000		
							240 Shawnee	Jun-21	\$166,000	\$219,563	-5%
23	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	390	260 Claiborne	Oct-21	\$175,000		
							355 Oakwood	Oct-20	\$186,000	\$173,988	1%
24	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	570	300 Claiborne	Dec-21	\$290,000		
							39 Pinhook	Mar-22	\$299,000	\$289,352	0%
25	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	Suburban	2.7	1080	410 Claiborne	Feb-21	\$275,000		
							114 Austin	Dec-20	\$248,000	\$279,680	-2%
26	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	Rural	5	400	0900A011	Jul-14	\$130,000		
							099CA043	Feb-15	\$148,900	\$136,988	-5%
27	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	Rural	5	400	099CA002	Jul-15	\$130,000		
							0990NA040	Mar-15	\$120,000	\$121,200	7%
28	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	Rural	5	480	491 Dusty	Oct-16	\$176,000		
							35 April	Aug-16	\$185,000	\$178,283	-1%
29	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	Rural	5	650	297 Country	Sep-16	\$150,000		
							53 Glen	Mar-17	\$126,000	\$144,460	4%
30	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	Rural	5	685	57 Cooper	Feb-19	\$163,000		
							191 Amelia	Aug-18	\$132,000	\$155,947	4%

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						Distance	Tax ID/Address	Date	Sale Price	Adj. Price	% Diff
31	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	Rural	20	480	1497 E 21st	Oct-16	\$186,000		
							712 Columbus	Jun-16	\$166,000	\$184,000	1%
32	Walton 2	Walton	KY	Suburban	2	410	783 Jones	May-22	\$346,000		
							783 Jones	May-12	\$174,900	\$353,000	-2%
33	Whitehorn	Gretna	VA	Rural	50	255	1120 Taylors Mill	Dec-21	\$224,000		
							100 Long Branch	Aug-20	\$162,000	\$213,920	5%
34	Altavista	Altavista	VA	Rural	80	600	3026 Bishop Crk	Feb-22	\$150,000		
							3026 Bishop Crk	Jul-19	\$120,000	\$155,000	-3%
35	Spotsylvania	Spotsylvania	VA	Rural	617	435	11710 Southview	May-22	\$767,945		
							10919 Green Leaf	Jun-22	\$739,990	\$728,424	5%
36	Spotsylvania	Spotsylvania	VA	Rural	617	410	11606 Aprils	Sep-23	\$711,400		
							11701 Quail Run	Jul-23	\$650,000	\$723,383	-2%
37	Altavista	Altavista	VA	Rural	80	745	2049 Bishop Crk	Jul-23	\$375,000		
							1900 Woodhaven	Aug-22	\$355,000	\$395,198	-5%
38	Solidago	Windsor	VA	Rural	20	610	17479 Courthouse	Dec-23	\$555,000		
							15414 Trump Town	Sep-23	\$463,000	\$552,197	1%
39	Solidago	Windsor	VA	Rural	20	630	6568 Beechland	Feb-24	\$671,500		
							11497 Dews Plant.	Oct-23	\$640,000	\$665,000	1%
40	Spotsylvania	Spotsylvania	VA	Rural	617	435	11710 Southview	May-22	\$767,945		
							10919 Green Leaf	Jun-22	\$739,990	\$728,424	5%
41	Spotsylvania	Spotsylvania	VA	Rural	617	410	11606 Aprils	Sep-23	\$711,400		
							11701 Quail Run	Jul-23	\$650,000	\$723,383	-2%
42	Altavista	Altavista	VA	Rural	80	745	2049 Bishop Crk	Jul-23	\$375,000		
							1900 Woodhaven	Aug-22	\$355,000	\$395,198	-5%
43	Buckingham	Cumberland	VA	Rural	40	380	24081 E James And	Jun-23	\$160,000		
							755 High Sch	Sep-23	\$190,000	\$162,400	-2%
44	Buckingham	Cumberland	VA	Rural	40	560	23225 E James And	Jun-23	\$180,000		
							17534 E James And	Jan-24	\$205,000	\$185,440	-3%

		Avg.			
	MW	Distance		Average	% Dif
Average	112.76	607			1%
Median	12.60	458			0%
High	617.00	1,950			7%
Low	2.00	155			-7%

B. Southeastern USA Data – Over 5 MW

Conclusion – SouthEast Over 5 MW

Southeast USA Over 5 MW

Matched Pair Summary

	Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2022 Data)		
						Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Pop.	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit
1	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	38	5.00	2	38%	0%	23%	39%	1,523	\$37,358	\$148,375
2	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746
3	Leonard	Hughesville	MD	47	5.00	20	18%	75%	0%	6%	525	\$106,550	\$350,000
4	Gastonia SC	Gastonia	NC	35	5.00	48	33%	0%	23%	44%	4,689	\$35,057	\$126,562
5	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731
6	Tracy	Bailey	NC	50	5.00	10	29%	0%	71%	0%	312	\$43,940	\$99,219
7	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667
8	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306
9	Mariposa	Stanley	NC	36	5.00	96	48%	0%	52%	0%	1,716	\$36,439	\$137,884
10	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453
11	Candace	Princeton	NC	54	5.00	22	76%	24%	0%	0%	448	\$51,002	\$107,171
12	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076
13	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435
14	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347
15	Sunfish	Willow Spring	NC	50	6.40	30	35%	35%	30%	0%	1,515	\$63,652	\$253,138
16	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208
17	Camden Dam	Camden	NC	50	5.00	0	17%	72%	11%	0%	403	\$84,426	\$230,288
18	Grandy	Grandy	NC	121	20.00	10	55%	24%	0%	21%	949	\$50,355	\$231,408
19	Champion	Pelion	SC	100	10.00	N/A	4%	70%	8%	18%	1,336	\$46,867	\$171,939
20	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320
21	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571
22	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333
23	Whitehorn	Gretna	VA	N/A	50.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	166	\$43,179	\$168,750
24	Altavista	Altavista	VA	720	80.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	\$50,000	\$341,667
25	Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg	MS	400	50.00	N/A	10%	85%	5%	0%	1,065	\$28,545	\$129,921
26	Solidago	Isle of Wight	VA	193	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	62	\$88,375	\$312,500
27	Buckingham	Cumberland	VA	240	39.80	50	4%	6%	90%	0%	120	\$59,445	\$251,562
28	Twiggs	Dry Branch	GA	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15	\$55,000	\$50,000
29	Kings Bay	Kings Bay	GA	N/A	30.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	721	\$102,293	\$364,808
30	Dougherty	Albany	GA	N/A	120.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	30	\$60,354	\$204,167
31	Mustang	Robbins	NC	50	5.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	941	\$54,430	\$369,398
	Average			464	60.54	37	23%	47%	24%	6%	779	\$62,466	\$238,385
	Median			234	20.00	20	17%	56%	11%	0%	448	\$58,688	\$231,408
	High			3,500	617.00	160	76%	98%	94%	44%	4,689	\$120,861	\$483,333
	Low			35	5.00	0	2%	0%	0%	0%	7	\$28,545	\$50,000

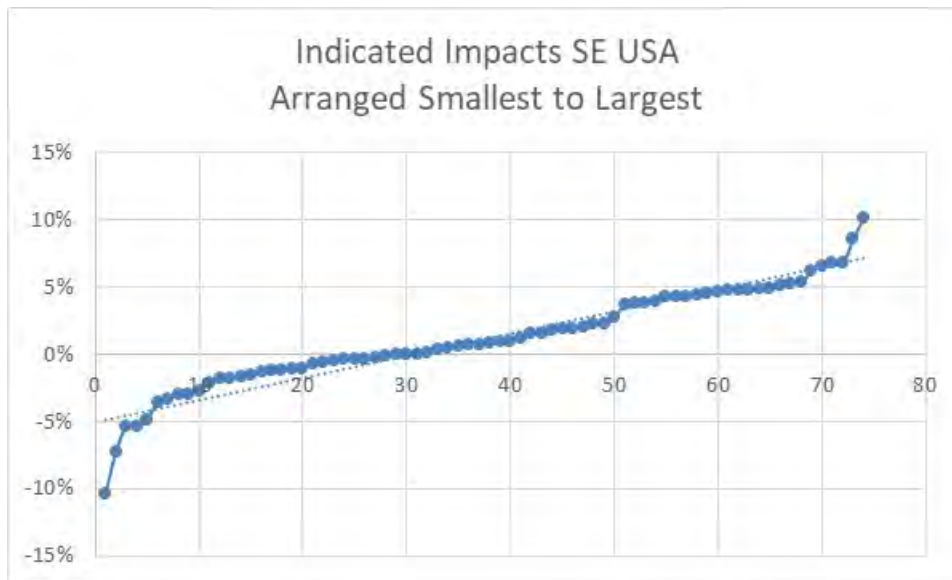
The solar farm matched pairs pulled from the solar farms shown above have similar characteristics to each other in terms of population, but with several outliers showing solar farms in more urban areas. The median income for the population within 1 mile of a solar farm is \$58,688 with a median housing unit value of \$231,406. Most of the comparables are under \$300,000 in the home price, with \$483,333 being the high end of the set, though I have matched pairs in multiple states over \$1,600,000 adjoining solar farms. The adjoining uses show that residential and agricultural uses are the predominant adjoining uses. These figures are in line with the larger set of solar farms that I have looked at with the predominant adjoining uses being residential and agricultural and similar to the solar farm breakdown shown for Kentucky and adjoining states as well as the proposed subject property.

Based on the similarity of adjoining uses and demographic data between these sites and the subject property, I consider it reasonable to compare these sites to the subject property.

I have pulled 75 matched pairs from the above referenced solar farms to provide the following summary of home sale matched pairs and land sales next to solar farms. The summary shows that the range of differences is from -10% to +10% with an average of +1% and median of +1%.

While the range is seemingly wide, the graph below clearly shows that the vast majority of the data falls between -5% and +5% and most of those are clearly in the 0 to +5% range. As noted earlier in this report, real estate is an imperfect market and this 5% variability is typical in real estate. This data strongly supports an indication of no impact on adjoining residential uses to a solar farm.

I therefore conclude that these matched pairs support a finding of no impact on value at the subject property for the proposed project, which as proposed will include a landscaped buffer to screen adjoining residential properties.



C. Summary of National Data on Solar Farms

I have worked in over 28 states related to solar farms and I have been tracking matched pairs in most of those states. On the following pages I provide a brief summary of those findings showing 70 solar farms over 5 MW studied with each one providing data supporting the findings of this report.

The solar farms summary is shown below with a summary of the matched pair data shown on the following page.

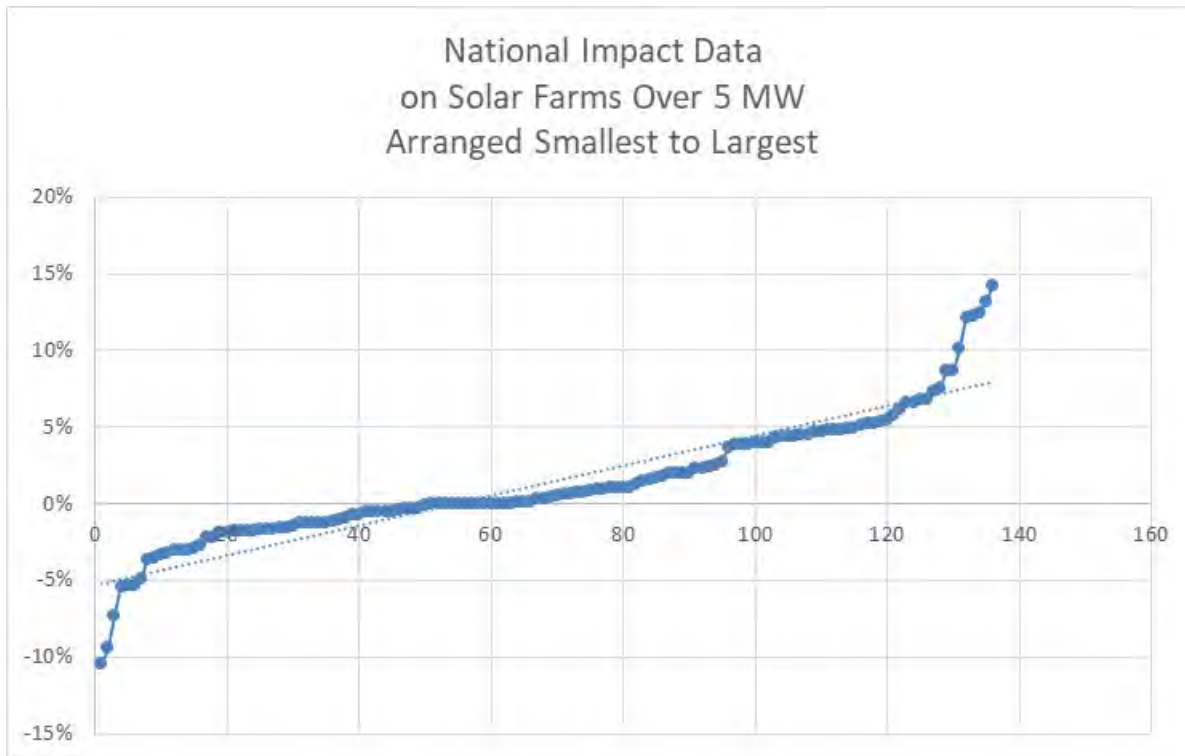
Matched Pair Summary						Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2020 Data)		
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo	Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Population	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit
1	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	38	5.00	2	38%	0%	23%	39%	1,523	\$37,358	\$148,375
2	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746
3	Leonard	Hughesville	MD	47	5.00	20	18%	75%	0%	6%	525	\$106,550	\$350,000
4	Gastonia SC	Gastonia	NC	35	5.00	48	33%	0%	23%	44%	4,689	\$35,057	\$126,562
5	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731
6	Tracy	Bailey	NC	50	5.00	10	29%	0%	71%	0%	312	\$43,940	\$99,219
7	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667
8	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306
9	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	160	20.00	1	8%	87%	5%	0%	96	\$70,158	\$187,037
10	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	134	8.60	20	3%	97%	0%	0%	3,774	\$61,115	\$167,515
11	Mariposa	Stanley	NC	36	5.00	96	48%	0%	52%	0%	1,716	\$36,439	\$137,884
12	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453
13	Flemington	Flemington	NJ	120	9.36	N/A	13%	50%	28%	8%	3,477	\$105,714	\$444,696
14	Frenchtown	Frenchtown	NJ	139	7.90	N/A	37%	35%	29%	0%	457	\$111,562	\$515,399
15	McGraw	East Windsor	NJ	95	14.00	N/A	27%	44%	0%	29%	7,684	\$78,417	\$362,428
16	Tinton Falls	Tinton Falls	NJ	100	16.00	N/A	98%	0%	0%	2%	4,667	\$92,346	\$343,492
17	Simon	Social Circle	GA	237	30.00	71	1%	63%	36%	0%	203	\$76,155	\$269,922
18	Candace	Princeton	NC	54	5.00	22	76%	24%	0%	0%	448	\$51,002	\$107,171
19	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076
20	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435
21	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347
22	Demille	Lapeer	MI	160	28.40	10	10%	68%	0%	22%	2,010	\$47,208	\$187,214
23	Turrill	Lapeer	MI	230	19.60	10	75%	59%	0%	25%	2,390	\$46,839	\$110,361
24	Sunfish	Willow Spring	NC	50	6.40	30	35%	35%	30%	0%	1,515	\$63,652	\$253,138
25	Picture Rocks	Tucson	AZ	182	20.00	N/A	6%	88%	6%	0%	102	\$81,081	\$280,172
26	Avra Valley	Tucson	AZ	246	25.00	N/A	3%	94%	3%	0%	85	\$80,997	\$292,308
27	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208
28	Camden Dam	Camden	NC	50	5.00	0	17%	72%	11%	0%	403	\$84,426	\$230,288
29	Grandy	Grandy	NC	121	20.00	10	55%	24%	0%	21%	949	\$50,355	\$231,408
30	Champion	Pelion	SC	100	10.00	N/A	4%	70%	8%	18%	1,336	\$46,867	\$171,939
31	Eddy II	Eddy	TX	93	10.00	N/A	15%	25%	58%	2%	551	\$59,627	\$139,088
32	Somerset	Somerset	TX	128	10.60	N/A	5%	95%	0%	0%	1,293	\$41,574	\$135,490
33	DG Amp Piqua	Piqua	OH	86	12.60	2	26%	16%	58%	0%	6,735	\$38,919	\$96,555
34	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320
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38	Altavista	Altavista	VA	720	80.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	\$50,000	\$341,667
39	Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg	MS	400	50.00	N/A	10%	85%	5%	0%	1,065	\$28,545	\$129,921
40	Bremen	Bremen	IN	37	6.80	15	40%	60%	0%	0%	388	\$62,855	\$232,857

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41	North Rock	Fulton	WI	472	50.00	N/A	3%	40%	57%	0%	236	\$86,238	\$370,062
42	Wood County	Saratoga	WI	1,200	150.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	187	\$74,110	\$204,545
43	Solidago	Isle of Wight	VA	193	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	62	\$88,375	\$312,500
44	Buckingham	Cumberland	VA	240	39.80	50	4%	6%	90%	0%	120	\$59,445	\$251,562
45	Crane	Burns City	IN	182	24.30	100	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	114	\$68,227	\$273,077
46	Kokomo 1	Kokomo	IN	83	5.40	5	30%	36%	0%	34%	8,656	\$50,193	\$168,723
47	White Tail 1	Mowersville	PA	135	13.50	20	2%	73%	25%	0%	254	\$81,086	\$354,297
48	Twiggs	Dry Branch	GA	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15	\$55,000	\$50,000
49	Kings Bay	Kings Bay	GA	N/A	30.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	721	\$102,293	\$364,808
50	Dougherty	Albany	GA	N/A	120.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	30	\$60,354	\$204,167
51	Whitetail 2	St Thomas	PA	293	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	107	\$85,844	\$274,265
52	Elk Hill 1	Mercersburg	PA	N/A	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	791	\$72,722	\$372,932
53	Elk Hill 2	Mercersburg	PA	N/A	15.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	454	\$81,208	\$484,672
54	Cottontail 1	York	PA	N/A	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,495	\$84,872	\$315,508
55	Cottontail 2	York	PA	N/A	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	707	\$61,415	\$383,896
56	Grazing Yak	Calhan	CO	272	35.00	N/A	0%	97%	3%	0%	40	\$78,104	\$623,214
57	San Luis Vlly	Hooper	CO	308	35.00	N/A	5%	95%	0%	0%	11	\$59,164	\$450,000
58	SR Jenkins	Ft. Lupton	CO	142	13.00	N/A	2%	90%	8%	0%	129	\$114,961	\$802,703
59	Big Horn 1	Pueblo	CO	2,760	240.00	N/A	0%	44%	2%	54%	20	\$75,000	\$400,000
60	Bison/Raw	Wellington	CO	1,160	52.00	N/A	0%	93%	7%	0%	0	\$0	\$0
61	Alamosa	Mosca	CO	163	30.00	N/A	0%	87%	13%	0%	7	\$0	\$0
62	Pioneer	Bennett	CO	611	110.00	N/A	3%	81%	16%	0%	67	\$82,329	\$497,991
63	Sandhill/SunE	Mosca	CO	N/A	10.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	\$0	\$0
64	Bellflower 1	Lewisville	IN	N/A	152.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	45	\$78,261	\$215,789
65	Riverstart	Winchester	IN	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	47	\$75,000	\$169,565
66	Mustang	Robbins	NC	50	5.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	941	\$54,430	\$369,398
67	North Star	North Branch	MN	1,099	100.00	N/A	18%	73%	7%	2%	218	\$119,700	\$323,413
68	Logansport	Logansport	IN	N/A	6.80	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,534	\$51,694	\$122,099
69	Anderson 6	Anderson	IN	N/A	6.80	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	736	\$77,343	\$181,635
70	Dunns Brdge	Wheatfield	IN	N/A	435.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	\$71,098	\$203,986
Average				421	55.43	33	20%	56%	19%	6%	1,102	\$65,994	\$262,098
Median				182	20.00	18	12%	66%	7%	0%	393	\$65,953	\$252,350
High				3,500	617.00	160	98%	98%	94%	54%	8,656	\$120,861	\$802,703
Low				35	5.00	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	\$0	\$0

From these 70 solar farms, I have derived 136 data points (paired sales or sale/resale analysis). The data shows no negative impact at distances as close as 105 feet between a solar panel and the nearest point on a home. The range of impacts is -10% to +14% with an average of +1% and a median of 0%. Two of the recent data points I have included from WI shows significant positive impacts, but both of those are from distances of 1,530 feet to 2,000 feet. This goes to a question I have had on a couple of occasions about the possibility of positive impacts once the buffers are extended out to a certain distance. With a reasonable expectation of a protected buffer of significant size, there is a reasonable expectation of enhancement in some cases. Excluding those two data points at further distances the range of impacts is -10% to +10% with the same +1% average and 0% median.

	MW	Avg. Distance	Average	% Dif
Average	79.67	599	Average	1%
Median	20.00	438	Median	0%
High	617.00	2,020	High	14%
Low	5.00	145	Low	-10%

While the range is broad, the chart below shows the data points in range from lowest to highest with most falling between +/- 5%. As discussed earlier in this report, I consider this data to strongly support a finding of no impact on value as most of the findings are within typical market variation and even within that, most are mildly positive findings.



D. Larger Solar Farms

I have also considered larger solar farms to address impacts related to larger projects. Projects have been increasing in size and most of the projects between 100 and 1000 MW are newer with little time for adjoining sales. I have included a breakdown of solar farms with 20 MW to 80 MW facilities with one over 617 MW facility.

Matched Pair Summary - @20 MW And Larger						Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2020 Data)		
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Population	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit	
1	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731
2	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667
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6	Simon	Social Circle	GA	237	30.00	71	1%	63%	36%	0%	203	\$76,155	\$269,922
7	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076
8	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435
9	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347
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15	Grandy	Grandy	NC	121	20.00	10	55%	24%	0%	21%	949	\$50,355	\$231,408
16	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320
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27	Twiggs	Dry Branch	GA	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15	\$55,000	\$50,000
28	Kings Bay	Kings Bay	GA	N/A	30.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	721	\$102,293	\$364,808
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34	Grazing Yak	Calhan	CO	272	35.00	N/A	0%	97%	3%	0%	40	\$78,104	\$623,214
35	San Luis Villy	Hooper	CO	308	35.00	N/A	5%	95%	0%	0%	11	\$59,164	\$450,000
36	Big Horn 1	Pueblo	CO	2,760	240.00	N/A	0%	44%	2%	54%	20	\$75,000	\$400,000
37	Bison/Raw	Wellington	CO	1,160	52.00	N/A	0%	93%	7%	0%	0	\$0	\$0
38	Alamosa	Mosca	CO	163	30.00	N/A	0%	87%	13%	0%	7	\$0	\$0
39	Pioneer	Bennett	CO	611	110.00	N/A	3%	81%	16%	0%	67	\$82,329	\$497,991
40	Bellflower 1	Lewisville	IN	N/A	152.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	45	\$78,261	\$215,789
41	Riverstart	Winchester	IN	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	47	\$75,000	\$169,565
42	North Star	North Branch	MN	1,099	100.00	N/A	18%	73%	7%	2%	218	\$119,700	\$323,413
43	Dunns Brdge	Wheatfield	IN	N/A	435.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	\$71,098	\$203,986
Average			654	84.93		14%	66%	18%	5%	453	\$67,681	\$270,453	
Median			347	50.00		7%	74%	5%	0%	127	\$72,722	\$274,265	
High			3,500	617.00		75%	98%	94%	54%	2,446	\$120,861	\$623,214	
Low			121	19.60		0%	0%	0%	0%	0	\$0	\$0	

The breakdown of adjoining uses, population density, median income and housing prices for these projects are very similar to those of the larger set. The matched pairs for each of these were considered earlier and support a finding of no negative impact on the adjoining home values.

I have included a breakdown of solar farms with 50 MW to 617 MW facilities adjoining.

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5	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347
6	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320
7	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571
8	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333
9	Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg	MS	400	50.00	N/A	10%	85%	5%	0%	1,065	\$28,545	\$129,921
10	North Rock	Fulton	WI	472	50.00	N/A	3%	40%	57%	0%	236	\$86,238	\$370,062
11	Wood County	Saratoga	WI	1,200	150.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	187	\$74,110	\$204,545
12	Twiggs	Dry Branch	GA	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15	\$55,000	\$50,000
13	Dougherty	Albany	GA	N/A	120.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	30	\$60,354	\$204,167
14	Big Horn 1	Pueblo	CO	2,760	240.00	N/A	0%	44%	2%	54%	20	\$75,000	\$400,000
15	Bison/Raw	Wellington	CO	1,160	52.00	N/A	0%	93%	7%	0%	0	\$0	\$0
16	Pioneer	Bennett	CO	611	110.00	N/A	3%	81%	16%	0%	67	\$82,329	\$497,991
17	Bellflower 1	Lewisville	IN	N/A	152.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	45	\$78,261	\$215,789
18	Riverstart	Winchester	IN	N/A	200.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	47	\$75,000	\$169,565
19	North Star	North Branch	MN	1,099	100.00	N/A	18%	73%	7%	2%	218	\$119,700	\$323,413
20	Dunns Brdge	Wheatfield	IN	N/A	435.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	\$71,098	\$203,986
Average			1,123	150	41	13%	63%	20%	4%	421	\$69,533	\$254,457	
Median			627	90	2	11%	74%	6%	0%	157	\$74,555	\$236,048	
High			3,500	617	160	41%	97%	94%	54%	2,446	\$120,861	\$497,991	
Low			347	50	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	\$0	\$0	

The breakdown of adjoining uses, population density, median income and housing prices for these projects are very similar to those of the larger set. The matched pairs for each of these were considered earlier and support a finding of no negative impact on the adjoining home values.

The data for these larger solar farms is shown in the SE USA and the National data breakdowns with similar landscaping, setbacks and range of impacts that fall mostly in the +/-5% range as can be seen earlier in this report.

On the following page I show a summary of 248 projects ranging in size from 50 MW up to 1,000 MW with an average size of 119.7 MW and a median of 80 MW. The average closest distance for an adjoining home is 365 feet, while the median distance is 220 feet. The closest distance is 50 feet. The mix of adjoining uses is similar with most of the adjoining uses remaining residential or agricultural in nature. This is the list of solar farms that I have researched for possible matched pairs and not a complete list of larger solar farms in those states.

	Total		Used Acres	Avg. Dist to home	Closest Home	Adjoining Use by Acre			
	Output (MW)	Acres				Res	Agri	Agri/Res	Com
Average	119.7	1521.4	1223.3	1092	365	10%	68%	18%	4%
Median	80.0	987.3	805.5	845	220	7%	72%	12%	0%
High	1000.0	19000.0	9735.4	6835	6810	98%	100%	100%	70%
Low	50.0	3.0	3.0	241	50	0%	0%	0%	0%

Total Number of Solar Farms Researched Over 50 MW 238

IX. Distance Between Homes and Panels

I have measured distances at matched pairs as close as 105 feet between panel and home to show no impact on value. This measurement goes from the closest point on the home to the closest solar panel. This is a strong indication that at this distance there is no impact on adjoining homes.

However, in tracking other approved solar farms across Kentucky, North Carolina and other states, I have found that it is common for there to be homes within 100 to 150 feet of solar panels. Given the visual barriers in the form of privacy fencing or landscaping, there is no sign of negative impact.

I have also tracked a number of locations where solar panels are between 50 and 100 feet of single-family homes. In these cases the landscaping is typically a double row of more mature evergreens at time of planting. There are many examples of solar farms with one or two homes closer than 100-feet, but most of the adjoining homes are further than that distance.

X. Topography

As shown on the summary charts for the solar farms, I have been identifying the topographic shifts across the solar farms considered. Differences in topography can impact visibility of the panels, though typically this results in distant views of panels as opposed to up close views. The topography noted for solar farms showing no impact on adjoining home values range from as much as 160-foot shifts across the project. Given that appearance is the only factor of concern and that distance plus landscape buffering typically addresses up close views, this leaves a number of potentially distant views of panels. I specifically note that in Crittenden in KY there are distant views of panels from the adjoining homes that showed no impact on value.

General rolling terrain with some distant solar panel views are showing no impact on adjoining property value.

XI. Potential Impacts During Construction

I have previously been asked by the Kentucky Siting Board about potential impacts during construction. This is not a typical question I get as any development of a site will have a certain amount of construction, whether it is for a commercial agricultural use such as large-scale poultry operations or a new residential subdivision. Construction will be temporary and consistent with other development uses of the land and in fact dust from the construction will likely be less than most other construction projects given the minimal grading. I would not anticipate any impacts on property value due to construction on the site.

I note that in the matched pairs that I have included there have been a number of home sales that happened after a solar farm was approved but before the solar farm was built showing no impact on property value. Therefore the anticipated construction had no impact as shown by that data.

XII. Scope of Research

I have researched over 1,000 solar farms and sites on which solar farms are existing and proposed in Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia as well as other states to determine what uses are typically found in proximity with a solar farm. The data I have collected and provide in this report strongly supports the assertion that solar farms are having no negative consequences on adjoining agricultural and residential values.

Beyond these references, I have quantified the adjoining uses for a number of solar farm comparables to derive a breakdown of the adjoining uses for each solar farm. The chart below shows the breakdown of adjoining or abutting uses by total acreage.

Percentage By Adjoining Acreage									
	Res	Ag	Res/AG	Comm	Ind	Avg Home	Closest Home	All Res Uses	All Comm Uses
Average	19%	53%	20%	2%	6%	887	344	91%	8%
Median	11%	56%	11%	0%	0%	708	218	100%	0%
High	100%	100%	100%	93%	98%	5,210	4,670	100%	98%
Low	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	90	25	0%	0%

Res = Residential, Ag = Agriculture, Com = Commercial

Total Solar Farms Considered: 705

I have also included a breakdown of each solar farm by number of adjoining parcels to the solar farm rather than based on adjoining acreage. Using both factors provides a more complete picture of the neighboring properties.

Percentage By Number of Parcels Adjoining									
	Res	Ag	Res/AG	Comm	Ind	Avg Home	Closest Home	All Res Uses	All Comm Uses
Average	61%	24%	9%	2%	4%	887	344	93%	6%
Median	65%	19%	5%	0%	0%	708	218	100%	0%
High	100%	100%	100%	60%	78%	5,210	4,670	105%	78%
Low	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	90	25	0%	0%

Res = Residential, Ag = Agriculture, Com = Commercial

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Both of the above charts show a marked residential and agricultural adjoining use for most solar farms. Every single solar farm considered included an adjoining residential or residential/agricultural use.

XIII. Specific Factors Related To Impacts on Value

I have completed a number of Impact Studies related to a variety of uses and I have found that the most common areas for impact on adjoining values typically follow a hierarchy with descending levels of potential impact. I will discuss each of these categories and how they relate to a solar farm.

1. Hazardous material
2. Odor
3. Noise
4. Traffic
5. Stigma
6. Appearance

1. Hazardous material

A solar farm presents no potential hazardous waste byproduct as part of normal operation. Any fertilizer, weed control, vehicular traffic, or construction will be significantly less than typically applied in a residential development and especially most agricultural uses.

The various solar farms that I have inspected and identified in the addenda have no known environmental impacts associated with the development and operation.

2. Odor

The various solar farms that I have inspected produced no odor.

3. Noise

Whether discussing passive fixed solar panels, or single-axis trackers, there is no negative impact associated with noise from a solar farm. The transformer has a hum similar to an HVAC that can only be heard in close proximity and the buffers on the property are sufficient to make emitted sounds effectively inaudible from the adjoining properties. A wide variety of noise studies have been conducted on solar farms to illustrate compatibility between solar properties and nearby residential uses. The noise factor is even less at night.

The various solar farms that I have inspected were inaudible from the roadways.

4. Traffic

The solar farm will have no onsite employee's or staff. The site requires only minimal maintenance. Relative to other potential uses of the site (such as a residential subdivision), the additional traffic generated by a solar farm use on this site is insignificant.

5. Stigma

There is no stigma associated with solar farms and solar farms and people generally respond favorably towards such a use. While an individual may express concerns about proximity to a solar farm, there is no specific stigma associated with a solar farm. Stigma generally refers to things such as adult establishments, prisons, rehabilitation facilities, and so forth.

Solar panels have no associated stigma and in smaller collections are found in yards and roofs in many residential communities. Solar farms are adjoining elementary, middle and high schools as well as churches and subdivisions. I note that one of the solar farms in this report not only adjoins

a church, but is actually located on land owned by the church. Solar panels on a roof are often cited as an enhancement to the property in marketing brochures.

I see no basis for an impact from stigma due to a solar farm.

6. Appearance

I note that larger solar farms using fixed or tracking panels are a passive use of the land that is in keeping with a rural/residential area. As shown below, solar farms are comparable to larger greenhouses. This is not surprising given that a greenhouse is essentially another method for collecting passive solar energy. The greenhouse use is well received in residential/rural areas and has a similar visual impact as a solar farm.



The solar panels are all less than 15 feet high, which means that the visual impact of the solar panels will be similar in height to a typical greenhouse and lower than a single-story residential dwelling. Were the subject property developed with single family housing, that development would have a much greater visual impact on the surrounding area given that a two-story home with attic could be three to four times as high as these proposed panels.

Whenever you consider the impact of a proposed project on viewshed or what the adjoining owners may see from their property it is important to distinguish whether or not they have a protected viewshed or not. Enhancements for scenic vistas are often measured when considering properties that adjoin preserved open space and parks. However, adjoining land with a preferred view today conveys no guarantee that the property will continue in the current use. Any consideration of the impact of the appearance requires a consideration of the wide variety of other uses a property already has the right to be put to, which for solar farms often includes subdivision development, agricultural business buildings such as poultry, or large greenhouses and the like.

Dr. Randall Bell, MAI, PhD, and author of the book **Real Estate Damages**, Third Edition, on Page 146 “Views of bodies of water, city lights, natural settings, parks, golf courses, and other amenities are considered desirable features, particularly for residential properties.” Dr. Bell continues on Page

147 that “View amenities may or may not be protected by law or regulation. It is sometimes argued that views have value only if they are protected by a view easement, a zoning ordinance, or covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs), although such protections are relatively uncommon as a practical matter. The market often assigns significant value to desirable views irrespective of whether or not such views are protected by law.”

Dr. Bell concludes that a view enhances adjacent property, even if the adjacent property has no legal right to that view. He then discusses a “borrowed” view where a home may enjoy a good view of vacant land or property beyond with a reasonable expectation that the view might be partly or completely obstructed upon development of the adjoining land. He follows that with “This same concept applies to potentially undesirable views of a new development when the development conforms to applicable zoning and other regulations. Arguing value diminution in such cases is difficult, since the possible development of the offending property should have been known.” In other words, if there is an allowable development on the site then arguing value diminution with such a development would be difficult. This further extends to developing the site with alternative uses that are less impactful on the view than currently allowed uses.

This gets back to the point that if a property has development rights and could currently be developed in such a way that removes the viewshed such as a residential subdivision, then a less intrusive use such as a solar farm that is easily screened by landscaping would not have a greater impact on the viewshed of any perceived value adjoining properties claim for viewshed. Essentially, if there are more impactful uses currently allowed, then how can you claim damages for a less impactful use.

7. Conclusion

On the basis of the factors described above, it is my professional opinion that the proposed solar farm will not negatively impact adjoining property values. The only category of impact of note is appearance, which is addressed through setbacks and landscaping buffers. The matched pair data supports that conclusion.

XIV. Conclusion

The matched pair analysis shows no negative impact in home values due to abutting or adjoining a solar farm as well as no impact to abutting or adjacent vacant residential or agricultural land. The proposed setbacks are further than those measured showing no impact for similar price ranges of homes and for areas with similar demographics to the subject area. The criteria that typically correlates with downward adjustments on property values such as noise, odor, and traffic all support a finding of no impact on property value. Similar paired sales showed no impact from adjoining battery storage facilities.

Very similar solar farms in very similar areas have been found by hundreds of towns and counties not to have a substantial injury to abutting or adjoining properties, and many of those findings of no impact have been upheld by appellate courts. Similar solar farms have been approved adjoining agricultural uses, schools, churches, and residential developments.

I have found no difference in the mix of adjoining uses or proximity to adjoining homes based on the size of a solar farm and I have found no significant difference in the matched pair data adjoining larger solar farms versus smaller solar farms. The data in the Southeast is consistent with the larger set of data that I have nationally, as is the more specific data located in and around Kentucky.

Based on the data and analysis in this report, it is my professional opinion that the solar farm proposed at the subject property will have no negative impact on the value of adjoining or abutting property. I note that some of the positive implications of a solar farm that have been expressed by people living next to solar farms include protection from future development of residential developments or other more intrusive uses, reduced dust, odor and chemicals from former farming operations, protection from light pollution at night, it's quiet, and there is no traffic.

XV. Certification

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. The statements of fact contained in this report are true and correct;
2. The reported analyses, opinions, and conclusions are limited only by the reported assumptions and limiting conditions, and are my personal, unbiased professional analyses, opinions, and conclusions;
3. I have no present or prospective interest in the property that is the subject of this report and no personal interest with respect to the parties involved;
4. I have no bias with respect to the property that is the subject of this report or to the parties involved with this assignment;
5. My engagement in this assignment was not contingent upon developing or reporting predetermined results;
6. My compensation for completing this assignment is not contingent upon the development or reporting of a predetermined value or direction in value that favors the cause of the client, the amount of the value opinion, the attainment of a stipulated result, or the occurrence of a subsequent event directly related to the intended use of the appraisal;
7. The reported analyses, opinions, and conclusions were developed, and this report has been prepared, in conformity with the requirements of the Code of Professional Ethics and Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice of the Appraisal Institute;
8. My analyses, opinions and conclusions were developed, and this report has been prepared, in conformity with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.
9. The use of this report is subject to the requirements of the Appraisal Institute relating to review by its duly authorized representatives;
10. I have not made a personal inspection of the property that is the subject of this report, and;
11. No one provided significant real property appraisal assistance to the person signing this certification.
12. As of the date of this report I have completed the continuing education program for Designated Members of the Appraisal Institute;
13. I have not performed services, regarding the property that is the subject of this report within the three-year period immediately preceding acceptance of this assignment.

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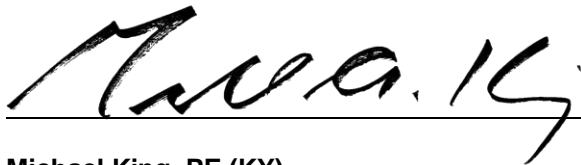
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Clover Creek Solar Project LLC d/b/a New Frontiers Solar Park, a subsidiary of EDP Renewables North America LLC, is proposing to construct and operate the New Frontiers Solar Park (Project) near the western edge of the City of Hardinsburg, Breckinridge County, Kentucky. The Project footprint encompasses approximately 890 acres within perimeter fencing, out of an approximate 1,100-acre Project area. The maximum generating capacity of the Project will be up to 100 megawatts, alternating current (MW)_[AC].

This Decommissioning Plan (Plan) provides a description of the decommissioning and restoration phase of the Project. Start-of-construction is planned for May 2025, with anticipated Commercial Operation Date in September 2026. Major components of the Project include solar modules, tracking system, inverter/transformer stations, access and internal roads, perimeter fencing, operations and maintenance building, electrical collection system and substation as shown in Figure 1.

This Plan includes an overview of the primary decommissioning Project activities, including the dismantling and removal of facilities, and subsequent restoration of land. A summary of estimated costs and revenues associated with decommissioning the Project are included in Section 4. The summary statistics and estimates provided are based on a 100-MW_{AC} Project array design. This Plan complies with requirements stated within the Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) and the Breckinridge County Fiscal Court Ordinance 2022-032 (County Ordinance).

1.1 SOLAR FARM COMPONENTS

The main components of the Project include:

- Solar modules
- Tracking system and steel piles
- Inverter/transformer stations
- Electrical cabling and conduits
- Site access and internal roads
- Perimeter fencing
- Operations and Maintenance (O&M) building
- Project substation and overhead transmission tie-in line

1.2 TRIGGERING EVENTS AND EXPECTED LIFETIME OF PROJECT

Project decommissioning will be initiated if there has been no power production for twelve (12) consecutive months, the land lease has ended, or succession of use of abandoned facility. The decommissioning phase will comply with requirements of the KRS and Breckinridge County, or applicable law at the time of decommissioning.

If properly maintained, the expected lifetime of a utility-scale solar project is approximately 50 years with equipment replacement and repowering. Depending on market conditions and project viability, solar arrays may be retrofitted with updated components (e.g., modules, racking system, etc.) to extend the life of a

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project. In the event that the facility is not retrofitted, or at the end of the Project's useful life, the solar arrays and associated components will be decommissioned and removed from the Project site.

The value of the individual components of the solar facility will vary with time. In general, the highest component value would be expected at the time of construction with declining value over the life of the Project. Over most of the life of the Project, components such as the solar modules could be sold in the wholesale market for reuse or refurbishment. As efficiency and power production of the modules decrease due to aging and/or weathering, the resale value will decline accordingly. Secondary markets for used solar components include other utility scale solar facilities with similar designs that may require replacement equipment due to damage or normal wear over time; or other buyers (e.g., developers, consumers) that are willing to accept a slightly lower power output in return for a significantly lower price point when compared to new equipment.

Components of the facility that have resale value may be sold in the wholesale market. Components with no wholesale value will be salvaged and sold as scrap for recycling or disposed of at an approved offsite licensed solid waste disposal facility. Decommissioning activities will include removal of the solar arrays and associated components as described in Section 2.

1.3 DECOMMISSIONING SEQUENCE

New Frontiers Solar Park will be the responsible party for the decommissioning activities. Decommissioning will commence when there has been no power production for twelve (12) consecutive months, the land lease has ended, or succession of use of abandoned facility. Decommissioning of the project will be completed within eighteen (18) months of the date that the facility ceases to produce electricity for sale and no extensions granted by county or state authorities. Monitoring and site restoration may extend beyond this period to ensure successful revegetation and rehabilitation. The anticipated sequence of decommissioning and removal is described below; however, overlap of activities is expected.

- Reinforce access roads, if needed, and prepare site for component removal
- Install erosion control materials and other best management practices (BMPs) to protect sensitive resources and control erosion during decommissioning activities.
- De-energize solar arrays.
- Dismantle and remove modules and above-ground wiring.
- Remove tracking equipment and piles to a depth of three feet.
- Remove inverter/transformer stations along with support system and foundation pads.
- Remove above and below-ground electrical cables and conduits to a depth of three feet.
- Remove substation and transmission tie-in line.
- Remove perimeter fence and remove the O&M building.
- Remove access and internal roads.
- De-compact subsoils as needed, restore, and revegetate disturbed land to a substantially similar state as it was prior to commencement of Project construction.

2.0 PROJECT COMPONENTS AND DECOMMISSIONING ACTIVITIES

The Project components and decommissioning activities are further described within this section.

2.1 OVERVIEW OF SOLAR FACILITY SYSTEM

New Frontiers Solar Park anticipates utilizing approximately 278,922 solar modules, with a total nameplate generating capacity of approximately 100 MW alternating current [AC] on the 890 acres of land within the perimeter fencing. Statistics and cost estimates provided in this Plan are based on QCells bifacial modules, although the final module selection may vary prior to construction. The selection of different modules is not anticipated to materially alter the conclusions of this Plan.

Foundations, steel piles, and electric cabling and conduit to a depth of 36 inches will be removed. Access roads and fence may be left in place if requested and/or agreed to by the landowner; however, for purposes of this assessment, all access roads are assumed to be removed. New Frontiers Solar Park will communicate with the appropriate local agency to coordinate the repair of damaged or modified public roads during the decommissioning and reclamation process.

Estimated quantities of materials to be removed and sold, salvaged, or disposed of are included in this section. Many of the materials described have salvage value, although there are some components that will likely have none at the time of decommissioning. Removed materials that cannot be sold on the resale market will be salvaged or recycled to the extent possible. All other non-recyclable waste materials will be disposed of in accordance with state and federal law in a licensed solid waste facility. Table 1 presents a summary of the primary components of the Project included in this decommissioning plan.

Table 1 Primary Components of Solar Farm to be Decommissioned

Component	Quantity	Unit of Measure
Solar modules (approximate)	278,922	Each
Tracking system (equivalent full trackers)	3,206	Tracker
Steel piles	41,678	Each
Inverter stations with concrete pad foundations	35	Each
Perimeter fencing	186,404	Linear Foot
Access roads (approximate)	41,810	Linear Foot
Operations and maintenance building	1	Each
Project substation	1	Each
Overhead transmission line	0.09	Linear Mile

2.2 SOLAR MODULES

New Frontiers Solar Park intends to use bifacial modules from QCells for the Project. Statistics and estimates provided in this Plan are based on the 685-watt QCells Q.Peak Duo ML-G12S bifacial module. The module assembly (with frame) will have a total weight of approximately 84 pounds and will be

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approximately 93.8 inches by 51.3 inches in size. The modules are mainly comprised of non-metallic materials such as silicon, mono-crystalline glass, plastic, and epoxies, with an anodized aluminum frame.

At the time of decommissioning, module components in working condition may be refurbished and sold in a secondary market yielding greater revenue than selling as salvage material. The estimates in this report have been calculated using a conservative approach, considering revenue from salvage only, rather than resale of Project components.

2.3 TRACKING SYSTEM AND SUPPORT

The solar modules will be mounted on a single-axis, one-in-portrait tracking system, such as the Horizon tracker by Nextracker or similar system. Each full, three-string tracker will be approximately 380 feet in length and will support approximately 87 solar modules. Smaller trackers will be employed at the edges of the layout to efficiently utilize available space. The tracking system is mainly comprised of galvanized and stainless steel; steel piles that support the system are comprised of structural steel.

The solar arrays will be deactivated from the surrounding electrical system and made safe for disassembly. Tracker lubricants will be removed and properly disposed of or recycled according to regulations current at the time of decommissioning. Electronic components, and internal electrical wiring will be removed and salvaged. The steel piles will be removed to a minimum three feet depth below the surface.

The supports, tracking system, and piles contain salvageable materials which can be sold to provide revenue to offset the decommissioning costs.

2.4 INVERTER/TRANSFORMER STATIONS

The inverter and transformer stations are located within the array and will sit on concrete or on gravel pads. The inverters and transformers will be deactivated, disassembled, and removed. Depending on its condition, the equipment may be sold for refurbishment and re-use. If not re-used, they will be salvaged or disposed of at an approved solid waste management facility. If the inverter stations are placed on concrete pads, the pads will be crushed and removed from the site. If the inverter stations are placed on gravel pads, all gravel will be removed from the site. To be conservative, decommissioning costs associated with the demolition of concrete pads is included in this Plan. Oils and lubricants will be collected and disposed of at a licensed facility.

2.5 ELECTRICAL CABLING AND CONDUITS

Any underground cabling at greater than thirty-six (36) inches in depth is allowed to remain in place after decommissioning and, therefore, no removal cost has been assumed for the collection cabling.

2.6 PROJECT SUBSTATION

New Frontiers Solar Park will include one substation as part of the Project within an approximate 1-acre footprint within the Project area. The substation will contain within its perimeter, a gravel pad, power transformers and footings, an electrical control house, and concrete pads, as needed. The Project substation will be removed and the land will be restored to a substantially similar condition as it was prior to commencement of project construction.

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The substation transformer may be sold for re-use or salvage. Components of the substation that cannot be salvaged will be transported off-site for disposal at an approved waste management facility. Foundations and footings will be demolished and removed to a depth of three feet.

2.7 OVERHEAD GENERATION TIE-IN TRANSMISSION LINE

An approximately 460-foot-long overhead generation tie-in transmission line will be constructed between the Project substation and the Big Rivers Electric Corporation switchyard (the point of interconnection). The transmission line will be decommissioned and will be recycled or disposed of at a licensed facility.

2.8 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUILDING

An operations and maintenance building will be located within the Project area. The building will be approximately 200 square feet and provide an office for Project personnel. The placement of the structure on the site will be in conformance with all local and state building codes. The building will have resale value at the end of Project life and may be sold or ownership transferred at that time. To be conservative, decommissioning costs associated with the building were included in this Plan.

2.9 PERIMETER FENCING AND ACCESS ROADS

The Project will include a security fence around the perimeter of the site. The fence will total approximately 186,404 feet in length.

Access drives from local roads and along the inner perimeter of the arrays will provide direct access to the solar facility. The site access drives will be approximately 20 feet in width and total approximately 41,810 feet (7.9 miles) in length. The access road lengths may change with final Project design. To be conservative, the decommissioning estimate assumes that all site access roads will be removed.

During installation of the Project, site access drives will be excavated to remove topsoil, the subgrade will be compacted, and twelve inches of aggregate fill will be placed. Geogrid will be placed beneath the gravel for the length of each access road. The estimated quantity of these materials is provided in Table 2.

Table 2 Typical Access Road Construction Materials

Item	Quantity	Unit
Aggregate fill, 12-inch thick – to be removed	30,970	Cubic Yards
Geogrid	92,911	Square Yards

Decommissioning activities include the removal and stockpiling of aggregate materials onsite for salvage preparation. It is conservatively assumed that all aggregate materials will be removed from the Project site and hauled up to five miles from the Project area. Underlying geogrid will also be removed during the decommissioning process. Geogrid that is easily separated from the aggregate during excavation will be disposed of in an approved solid waste disposal facility. Geogrid that remains with the aggregate will be sorted out at the processing site and properly disposed. Following removal of aggregate and geogrid, the access road areas will be de-compacted with deep ripper or chisel plow (ripped to 18 inches), backfilled with native subsoil and topsoil, as needed, and graded as necessary.

3.0 LAND USE AND ENVIRONMENT

3.1 SOILS AND AGRICULTURAL LAND

Areas of the Project will be restored to a substantially similar physical condition to that existing immediately prior to project construction. Soils compacted during de-construction activities will be de-compacted, as necessary.

3.2 RESTORATION AND REVEGETATION

Areas of the Project that have been excavated and backfilled will be restored as previously described. If present, drain tiles that have been damaged will be restored to pre-construction condition. Restored areas will be revegetated in consultation with the current landowner and in compliance with regulations in place at the time of decommissioning. Work will be completed to comply with the conditions agreed upon by New Frontiers Solar Park and the County or as directed by applicable Kentucky statutes and regulations in effect at the time of decommissioning.

Portions of the Project site that have been excavated and backfilled will be graded and de-compacted, as necessary, to allow a land use similar to that prior to construction of the Project. Topsoil will be placed on disturbed areas, as needed, and stabilized prior to returning the site to the landowner.

3.3 SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE AND CONTROL

The proposed Project is predominantly located on agricultural land. The Project facilities are being sited to avoid impacts to wetlands, waterways, and drainage swales. The existing Project site conditions and proposed Best Management Practices (BMPs) to protect surface water features will be detailed in a Project Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) prior to the commencement of decommissioning construction activities.

Surface water conditions at the Project site will be reassessed prior to the decommissioning phase. New Frontiers Solar Park will obtain the required water quality permits from the Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet (KEEC) and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE), as needed, prior to decommissioning the Project. Required construction stormwater permits will also be obtained, and a SWPPP prepared describing the protection needed to reflect conditions present at the time of decommissioning. BMPs may include enhancement of construction entrances, temporary seeding, permanent seeding, mulching (in non-agricultural areas), erosion control matting, silt fence, filter berms, and filter socks.

3.4 MAJOR EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR DECOMMISSIONING

The activities involved in decommissioning the Project include removal of the above and below- ground components of the Project and restoration as described in Sections 2, 3.1 and 3.2.

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Equipment required for the decommissioning activities is similar to what is needed to construct the solar facility and may include, but is not limited to: small cranes, low ground pressure (LGP) tracked excavators, backhoes, LGP-tracked bulldozers and dump trucks, front-end loaders, deep rippers, water trucks, disc plows and tractors to restore subgrade conditions, along with ancillary equipment. Standard dump trucks may be used to transport material removed from the site to disposal facilities and to import clean fill and topsoil if necessary.

4.0 DECOMMISSIONING COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY

Expenses associated with decommissioning the Project will be dependent on labor costs at the time of decommissioning. For the purposes of this report, approximate 2024 market values were used to estimate labor expenses. Fluctuation and inflation of the labor costs were not factored into the estimates. Inflation of labor and equipment costs will be captured in decommissioning plan updates filed every five years.

The value of the individual components of the solar facility will vary with time. In general, the highest component value would be expected at the time of construction with declining value over the life of the Project. Over most of the life of the Project, components such as the solar modules could be sold in the wholesale market for reuse or refurbishment. As efficiency and power production of the modules decrease due to aging and/or weathering, the resale value will decline accordingly. Secondary markets for used solar components include other utility scale solar facilities with similar designs that may require replacement equipment due to damage or normal wear over time; or other buyers (e.g., developers, consumers) that are willing to accept a slightly lower power output in return for a significantly lower price point when compared to new equipment.

4.1 DECOMMISSIONING EXPENSES

Project decommissioning will incur costs associated with disposal of components not sold for salvage, including materials which will be disposed of at a licensed facility, as required. Decommissioning costs also include backfilling, grading and restoration of the Project site as described in Sections 2 and 3. Table 3 summarizes the estimates for activities associated with the major components of the Project.

Table 3 Estimated Decommissioning Expenses

Activity	Unit	Quantity	Cost per Unit	Total
Overhead and management (includes estimated permitting required and public road repairs)	Lump Sum	1	\$670,500	\$670,500
Solar modules; disassembly and removal	Each	278,922	\$5.15	\$1,436,448
Tracking system disassembly and removal (equivalent full trackers)	Each	3,206	\$765.00	\$2,452,590
Steel pile/post removal	Each	41,678	\$12.70	\$529,311
Inverter station concrete pads	Each	35	\$754	\$26,390
Transformers and inverters	Each	35	\$1,890	\$66,150
Access road excavation and removal	Lump Sum	1	\$185,800	\$185,800
Perimeter fence removal (chain link)	Linear Feet	186,404	\$4.60	\$857,458
Topsoil replacement and site rehabilitation	Lump Sum	1	\$745,750	\$745,750
O&M Building	Each	1	\$50,000	\$50,000

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Activity	Unit	Quantity	Cost per Unit	Total
Project substation	Each	1	\$330,000	\$330,000
Overhead transmission line	Linear Mile	0.09	\$275,000	\$24,750
Total Estimated Decommissioning Cost				\$7,375,147

4.2 DECOMMISSIONING REVENUES

Revenue from decommissioning the Project will be realized through the sale of the solar facility components and construction materials. As previously described, the value of the decommissioned components will be higher in the early stages of the Project and decline over time. Resale of components such as solar modules is expected to be greater than salvage (i.e., scrap) value for most of the life of the Project.

Modules and other solar plant components may be sold within a secondary market or as salvage. A current sampling of reused solar modules indicates a wide range of pricing depending on age and condition (\$0.10 to \$0.30 per watt). Future pricing of solar modules is difficult to predict, due to the relatively young age of the market, changes to solar panel technology, and the ever-increasing product demand. A conservative estimation of the value of solar modules at \$0.10 per watt would yield approximately \$19,106,000. To preserve the integrity of the modules, higher removal and handling costs would be expected for module resale versus salvage. However, although costs would be higher, the net revenue due to resale would still be substantially greater than the estimated salvage value.

The resale value of components such as trackers, may decline more quickly; however, the salvage value of the steel that makes up a large portion of the tracker is expected to stay at or above the value used in this report.

The market value of steel and other materials fluctuates daily and has varied widely over the past five years. Salvage value estimates were based on an approximate five-year-average price of steel derived from sources including on-line recycling companies and United States Geological Survey (USGS) commodity summaries. The price used to value the steel used in this report is \$254 per metric ton; aluminum at \$0.40 per pound; silicon at \$0.40 per pound and glass at \$0.05 per pound. The main component of the tracking system and piles is assumed to be salvageable steel. A 50 percent recovery rate was assumed for aluminum and all module components, due to the processing required to separate the module components. Alternative and more efficient methods of recycling solar modules are anticipated before this Project is decommissioned, given the large number of solar facilities that are currently being developed. Table 4 summarizes the potential salvage value for the solar array components and construction materials.

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Table 4 Estimated Decommissioning Revenues

Item	Unit of Measurement	Quantity per Unit	Salvage Price per Unit	Total Salvage Price per Item	Number of Items	Total
Modules - Silicon	Pounds per Module	2.1	\$0.40	\$0.840	278,922	\$234,294
Modules - Aluminum	Pounds per Module	3.4	\$0.40	\$1.360	278,922	\$379,334
Modules - Glass	Pounds per Module	31.6	\$0.05	\$1.580	278,922	\$440,697
Tracking System and Posts	Metric tons per MW _[DC]	32.0	\$254	\$8,128	191.06	\$1,552,936
Substation	Each	1	\$50,000	\$50,000	1	\$50,000
Total Estimated Decommissioning Revenue*						\$2,657,261

* Revenue based on salvage value only. Revenue from used modules at \$0.10 per watt could raise \$19,106,000 as resale versus the estimated salvage revenue.

4.3 DECOMMISSIONING COST SUMMARY

Table 5 provides a summary of the estimated cost to decommission the Project, using the information detailed in Sections 4.1 and 4.2. Estimates are based on 2024 prices, with no market fluctuations or inflation considered.

Table 5 Net Decommissioning Cost Summary

Item	Cost/Revenue
Decommissioning Expenses	\$7,375,147
Potential Revenue – salvage value of module components and recoverable materials	\$2,657,261
Net Decommissioning Cost	\$4,717,886

New Frontiers Solar Park has indicated they will comply with the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the County Ordinance. New Frontiers Solar Park will update the decommissioning estimate every five years during project life, and the financial security will be increased if the updated estimate yields a different net removal cost. The surety bond or other form of financial security will be one hundred (100) percent of the net decommissioning cost.

FIGURES

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FIGURE 1 PROPOSED PROJECT LAYOUT

