

January 9, 2019

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

Dear Town of Farmington Planning and Zoning Boards,

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

We thought it would be a good idea for this cover letter to serve as a running log of our application materials, as the amount of materials requested and required for our review has grown or have been updated. Please use this as a guide to refer to and find the most updated materials in our application. We will update this cover letter as the review continues.

To date, DRS has provided:

<u>Application Material</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Date Updated</u>
1. Site Plan Review Application	7/17/2018	
2. Special Use Permit Application	7/17/2018	
3. Project Memorandum with Draft Decommissioning Plan	7/17/2018	
4. Full Environmental Assessment Form, with agency correspondence	8/20/2018	8/29/2018
5. Landowner authorization form	7/17/2018	
6. Agricultural Data Statement	7/17/2018	
7. North Country Ecological Services Wetland Report	7/17/2018	
8. Preliminary Subdivision and Site Plans – Permitting Draft	8/20/2018	11/29/2018
9. Area Variance Application	8/20/2018	
10. Variance Comparison Maps – with and without variance	11/26/2018	
11. Landscape Plan	11/28/2018	1/9/2019
12. Visual Renderings	11/28/2018	1/9/2019
13. November 7, 2018 Public Hearing Comment Responses With Appendices: a. Town of Farmington – 3-Phase Utility Line Map	11/28/2018	

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Continued: b. SEIA – Solar Industry Research Data c. NREL – Solar Irradiance Database d. Comparable Solar Array pictures e. Property Value Study f. Final Wetland Report g. NERC – CP-014-2 – Physical Security Requirements h. Jinko Solar Panel Specifications i. Jinko TCLP Solar Panel Test j. Area Aquifer Map k. Decommissioning Package – also included in Project Memorandum dated July 2018 l. Transformer and Inverter Specifications m. Yellow Mills Road 1-2-3, Interconnection Agreements with Rochester Gas and Electric		
14. NY Agriculture and Markets Notice of Intent	12/4/2018	Expected 1/16/19
15. Ontario County Soils and Water Conservation District – Prime Soils Worksheet	1/9/2019	
16. Pasture Fence Alignment with Preliminary Landscape Plan	1/9/2019	
17. Landowner Letter of approval	1/9/2019	
18. December 5, 2018 Public Hearing Comment Responses	Pending	
19. Alternative Definition letter – Boylan Code LP	1/9/2019	

The application materials provided by DRS for the January 16, 2019 meeting are as follows, and are provided with this cover letter:

1. NY Agriculture and Markets Notice of Intent Update:

The NY AGM held a meeting with NYSERDA on 12/18/2018 to discuss how to administer and create a process for the Notice of Intent required for Solar Systems receiving funding from NYSERDA. This requirement is new as of August 2018, and this meeting was one of the first of the two State agencies to discuss the matter. NYSERDA reported the meeting was productive and a process should be in place during the month of January 2019.

2. Ontario County Soils and Water Conservation District – Prime Soils Worksheet:

DRS completed the OCSWCD Soils Worksheet, and provided a summary that supports the Area Variance Layout Option as the best layout on the parcel with the least impacts on the active farming uses and soils.

3. Pasture Fence Alignment with Landscape Plan:

DRS met with the Smith’s again to more closely review the construction phase plan, and create a draft plan for how and where the cattle can graze on the land during and after construction. Schultz Engineering drafted this plan, which preserves 4 connected, separately fenced grazing areas that will be realigned, and retained throughout construction and operations. DRS believes the Yellow Mills Road solar systems are the first such system proposed in New York State that will co-exist with an active cattle farm. This is an exciting precedent to set for renewable energy and agriculture.

4. Landowner letter of approval provided by the Smith’s

5. Updated Visual Renderings:

Saratoga Associates updated the visual renderings submitted on 11/28/2018, and created 2 new visual renderings from additional vantage points of the property.

6. Alternative Definition Letter – prepared by Donald A. Young, Esq. of Boylan Code LLP:

In response to public comments made throughout our review, DRS asked Boylan Code to further analyze the 2017 Solar Law definition of “feasible alternative”, and to provide guidance on how this solar law provision can be clearly determined.

We look forward to the January 16th public hearing, and the continued review of our application. Please let us know if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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