

APPENDIX E – AGENCY APPROVALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

McLain, Joy

From: Richard Gruber <rlgruber@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 10:29 AM
To: llasuen@earthlink.com
Cc: McLain, Joy
Subject: Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC

Hello Luis,

As a follow-up to our meeting a couple of week back, I am writing to document our prior meeting to: 1) discuss the solar project and 2) solicit any input or advice you might be willing to offer. My notes suggested that there were no material concerns and that MHHD would be generally supportive of the project. Please let me know if your notes or recollections differ.

We are finalizing our Conditional Use Permit application to Elmore County P&Z and expect to submit that application 9/18/2015. As you might recall Beth Bresnahan of P&Z suggested I meet with you, and I expect she will be reaching out to solicit your input, thank you in advance for your support and please do not hesitate to reach out to me if any questions arise.

Since we met, we have also had consultations with the MH Fire Marshall, the Sheriff's Office and the USAF with good input, and like our meeting, we received good input and are using such in preparation of our CUP application.

Thank you for responding to this email so we might have confirmation of your receipt.

We appreciate your time and look forward to working together on this project.

Best regards,

Richard

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McLain, Joy

Subject: FW: Meeting - Mountain Home Fire Marshall and Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC

Begin forwarded message:

From: Richard Gruber <rlgruber@gmail.com>
Subject: Meeting - Mountain Home Fire Marshall and Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC
Date: September 16, 2015 at 9:23:06 AM MDT
To: breed@mountain-home.us

Fire Marshall Reed,

Thank you for the time yesterday to meet to discuss the Mountain Home Solar 1 project. I summarize the key take-aways I had from our meeting:

- We will provide for a 20' perimeter road, compacted and clear of vegetation, between the security fence and the solar equipment.
- Once the existing sage and other high combustable material is removed as part of the project construction, with the project site then itself will serve as a potential fir break, the project will during operation will seek to manage vegetation in a responsible fashion knowing the regional wild fire risk.
- The project will, in providing safe access for its construction materials and heave equipment will in essence provide the adequate roadbed and turn arounds required by the FD. To confirm such, the project received from you the FD's turn around requirements so the project can confirm it will be in compliance.

These were the major take-away's as I recall, but please do not hesitate to reach out if other item come to mind or respond if I have missed something of importance.

We look forward to working in cooperation with the Fire Department.

Finally, thank you for a confirming email and any modifications to that which I provided above.

Best regards,

Richard

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Subject: FW: Initial Consultation - Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC and the USAF, Mountain Home AFB

Begin forwarded message:

From: Richard Gruber <rlgruber@gmail.com>
Subject: Initial Consultation - Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC and the USAF, Mountain Home AFB
Date: September 16, 2015 at 10:22:40 AM MDT
To: samueal.shearman@us.af.mil, "SCHMIDT, BYRON L GS-11 USAF ACC 366 OSS/OSOA"
<Byron.Schmidt@us.af.mil>

Gentlemen,

Thank you for the time yesterday to discuss the Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC project and interests of the USAF in that regard. My major take-aways were as follows:

- Land - we need to note and respect the rail spur just south of the project site and the fact that the USAF/DOD won that easement. We will do so of course without encroachment.
- Air - provide a link or the study results for our Glint and Glare assessment. I think we ran this against the regional airport which is in closer proximity (nominally 1 mile), but if you would like us to also run it against MHAFB (nominally 10 miles) we certainly can. Take-away seemed to be there is no concern raised by the MHAFB that would suggest opposing the project moving forward.
- Suggested we place a courtesy call to the National Guard regarding its radar systems. Thought not to be an issue by good to check.

If I have missed some other material point or misinterpreted something thank you for any additional thoughts or corrections.

Too, a return email is appreciated confirming that fact that we did have a call. We would like to include such in our Elmore County CUP to evidence we have initiated consultation with the USAF.

Please feel free to reach out as questions arise. We look forward to working on coordination with the USAF and MHAFB.

Best regards,
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McLain, Joy

From: McLain, Joy
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:44 AM
To: McLain, Joy
Subject: FW: Meeting - Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC and the Sheriff's Office for Elmore County

Begin forwarded message:

From: Bobby Wade <rwade@elmorecounty.org>
Subject: Re: Meeting - Mountain Home Solar 1 LLC and the Sheriff's Office for Elmore County
Date: September 16, 2015 at 10:48:17 AM MDT
To: Richard Gruber <rlgruber@gmail.com>

Thank you for your time yesterday. We enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of your process.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 16, 2015, at 9:07 AM, Richard Gruber <rlgruber@gmail.com> wrote:

Chief Deputy Barclay and Lt. Wade,

Thank you for the time yesterday to meet to discuss the Mountain Home Solar 1 project. I appreciate your input and feedback which I summarize below:

- During the construction period, we may want to reconsider the large vehicle route that would require a left turn from NM Bypass Rd onto Airbase Rd during peak commute times given there is no stop light at that intersection - or consider limiting that type of traffic to non-high volume windows. Also look at other routes that may be preferred by the County.
- Consider off hours security during the construction phase to assure all materials are protected from theft and vandalism.
- Instruct staff at the job site and after plant is in operation that their first call in the event of any incident is to 911 so local response can be as fast as possible.

These were the major take-away's as I recall, but please do not hesitate to reach out if other item come to mind.

We look forward to working in cooperation with the Sheriff's Office.

Finally, thank you for a confirming email and any modifications to that which I provided above.

Best regards,
Richard

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