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State of New Jersey **Board of Public Utilities** Attn: Ariane Benrey 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350

Community Solar Energy Pilot Program, Program Year 1 Application (the "Program") Re:

Ladies & Gentlemen:

We are in receipt of the notice from the Board of Public Utilities ("BPU"), dated January 29, 2020, regarding the BPU's intent to make applications to the Program public.

Hartz Solar, LLC ("Hartz") submitted five (5) applications to the BPU for participation in the Program. The docket numbers assigned to each of the applications are as follows:

QO19091137 Q019091141 Q019091142 QO19091144 QO19091139

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Hartz hereby requests to make certain portions of each of the applications confidential. Enclosed herewith, pursuant to N.J.A.C 14:1-12.3, please find copies of each of the applications with redactions, marked as confidential and provided in a confidential envelope.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 201.272.5800. Very truly yours,

Hartz Solar, LLC

By: Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc.

**Executive Vice President & Managing Director** 



## **Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Form**

#### Section A: Application Form Requirements, Instructions, Terms and Conditions

The following Application Form is intended only for entities submitting a community solar project for consideration by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board" or "BPU"). Projects selected by the Board will be approved for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program, pursuant to the Priviledged and Confidential rules at N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.

This Application Form is valid only for the following Program Year and Application Period:

Program Year 1, Application Period 1

Application Period Opens: April 9, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. Application Period Closes: September 9, 2019 at 5:00 P.M.

### I. Minimum Qualification Requirements

The Community Solar Energy Pilot Program is open to projects that meet the following minimum requirements, and the full requirements defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9 (available for reference at the following link: http://njcleanenergy.com/files/file/R 2019%20d 021%20(51%20N J R %20232(a)).pdf).

- 1. The proposed community solar project must be located in the electric service territory of an Electric Distribution Company ("EDC") in the State of New Jersey.
- 2. Existing solar projects may not apply to requalify as a community solar project. An existing solar project, as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2, means a solar project having begun operation and/or been approved by the Board for connection to the distribution system prior to February 19, 2019. Projects having received a subsection (t) conditional certification from the Board prior to February 19, 2019 should refer to section B. XIII. Special Authorizations and Exemptions for additional information.
- 3. The Board will not consider Applications for EDCs to develop, own, or operate community solar
- 4. The Board will not consider Applications for projects sited on preserved farmland, as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2.
- 5. The Board will not consider Applications for projects exceeding the capacity limit for individual community solar projects, set at 5 MW as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.4(g).

#### II. Instructions for Completing the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Form

1. Each solar project applying to participate in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program requires the submission of an individual Application Form. Do not apply for more than one (1) project per Application Form. There is no limit to the number of Application Forms that can be submitted by any one Applicant (see the definition of an "Applicant" in section A. III. Terms and Conditions).



- 2. Complete sections B and C, and Appendix A in full. All questions are required to be answered, unless explicitly marked as optional. All attachments are required, unless explicitly marked as optional. All attachments must be attached to the end of the Application Form, therefore forming a complete application package. Note that attachments marked as optional will be considered if included, but their absence will not penalize an Application.
- 3. Original signatures on all forms and certifications of this Application Form are required. The certifications contained in section C must be notarized.
- 4. Specific exemptions are identified throughout the Application Form which apply only if: 1) the Applicant is a government entity (municipal, county, or state), AND 2) the community solar developer will be selected by the Applicant via a Request for Proposals ("RFP"), Request for Quotations ("RFQ"), or other bidding process. If this is the case, the Applicant must include a letter describing the proposed bidding process, and the Applicant should complete all sections of the Application Form based on the project as it will be designed in the bidding process. The Applicant must further commit to issuing said RFP, RFQ, or other bidding process within 90 days of the proposed project being approved by the Board for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program (see section B. XIII. Special Authorizations and Exemptions).

#### III. Terms and Conditions

#### **General Terms and Conditions**

- 1. The "Applicant" is defined as the entity that submits the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Form (for example, an Applicant may be a project developer, project owner, project operator, property owner, contractor, installer, or agent thereof).
- 2. Prior to completing the Application Form, the Applicant must carefully review the rules at N.J.A.C. 14:8-9, and any other rules, regulations, and codes applicable to the design, construction, and operation of a community solar project in New Jersey. All Applications must be in compliance with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and laws. Furthermore, submission of an Application Form does not obviate the need for compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations at any time during the design, construction, operation, and decommissioning of a community solar project including, but not limited to, regulations by commissions such as the New Jersey Highlands Council and the New
- 3. By submitting an Application, the Applicant acknowledges notice on behalf of all project participants that the information included in the Application is subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. Aggregated information may be used by the Board and/or other state, federal, county, regional or local agencies in reports and evaluations, and the geographic location may be used to update Geographic Information System ("GIS") mapping. Applicants may identify sensitive and trade secret information that they wish to keep confidential by submitting them in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in

Jersey Pinelands Commission.



- N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3. Furthermore, the Applicant understands that the list of approved community solar projects will be published on the Board of Public Utilities website.
- 4. Amendments or supplements to the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Form will be made available via the New Jersey Clean Energy Program ("NJCEP") website at <a href="https://www.njcleanenergy.com">www.njcleanenergy.com</a>. This Application Form may be modified for future Application Periods at any time without prior notification.

## **Evaluation of Applications and Approval of Projects**

- 5. Only Applications that are administratively complete by the close of the Application Period will be considered for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program during that Program Year. An application will be deemed administratively complete if: 1) All questions are completed, except those explicitly marked as optional, 2) All required attachments are included (see Appendix B for a checklist of required attachments), and 3) All required signatures are included. Applicants will be notified if an Application is deemed administratively incomplete. An incomplete Application may be amended and resubmitted during the following Application Period without advantage or disadvantage.
- 6. The Applicant may be required to supplement the information provided in the Application Form upon request from the Board or Board Staff.
- 7. Following the close of the Application Period, each Application will be reviewed and evaluated by a dedicated Evaluation Committee.
- 8. In reviewing each application, Board Staff may consult with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP"), the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, or other state agencies and consultants as are relevant to the Application. Any information marked and submitted as confidential will be treated as such by the receiving agency, and used for the sole purpose of evaluation.
- 9. The criteria for evaluation of Applications are presented in Appendix C (Evaluation Criteria). Projects must score a minimum 30 points total in order to be considered for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program. Projects that score above 30 points will be presented to the Board for approval for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program in order, starting with the highest-scoring project and proceeding to the lowest-scoring project, and until the allocated program capacity for that Program Year is filled.
  - The allocated program capacity for Program Year 1 is 75 MW. At least 40% of program capacity (i.e. at least 30 MW) will be allocated to LMI projects.
- 10. Board Staff may reject Applications that are incomplete at the close of the Application Period, that are not in compliance with the rules and regulations established in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9, or that do not meet a minimum standard for selection, as set forth in this Application Form.



#### Milestones and Follow-Up for Approved Projects

11. Should the proposed community solar project be approved by the Board for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program, such approval will be contingent on the project being constructed and operated as was proposed in its Application.

Furthermore, pursuant to the rules at N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.3(c), approved projects are expected to begin construction within 6 months of their approval by the Board, and are expected to become fully operational within 12 months of their approval by the Board. Extensions may be granted by Board Staff at its discretion, based on its assessment of the specific circumstances of each project approved.

In order to monitor compliance, approved projects will be required to submit updates to the Board:

- a. Prior to the beginning of construction, the Applicant must provide evidence that commitments in the following categories have been met: project location, community and environmental justice engagement, other benefits.
- b. Prior to applying for permission to operate ("PTO"), the Applicant must provide evidence that commitments in the following categories have been met: siting (other than location), all permits received.
- c. Prior to applying to the EDC for allocation of bill credits, the Applicant must provide evidence that commitments in the following categories have been met: product offering, subscriber type, geographic limit within EDC service territory.

If the approved project fails to be completed as proposed in the Application, and the Applicant fails to remediate the failure or provide an equivalent modification within a reasonable timeframe, the project may be penalized <u>up to and including a withdrawal of the permission to operate in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program</u>.

## Special Considerations for Project Siting

- 12. Unless the proposed community solar facility is located on a rooftop, parking lot, or parking structure, the Applicant must meet with the NJDEP's Office of Permit Coordination and Environmental Review ("PCER") to determine what permits may be required and to identify other potential issues. More information is available at: http://www.nj.gov/dep/pcer. The Applicant must have completed the NJDEP Permit Readiness Checklist and submitted said Checklist to NJDEP PCER prior to submitting the Application to the Board (see section B. VIII. Permits). The Permit Readiness Checklist is available the following link: https://www.nj.gov/dep/pcer/introcklist.htm.
- 13. Special attention should be paid when siting a project on a landfill, a brownfield, or an area of historic fill. For reference, NJDEP's *Guidance for Installation of Solar Renewable Energy Systems on Landfills in New Jersey* can be found at the following link: https://www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/swp/solarguidance.pdf.
- 14. The Applicant should review the environmental compliance history at the proposed site and the various operations that were conducted there. Satisfaction of all outstanding NJDEP regulatory



compliance obligations, if applicable, will be required prior to applying for permission to operate. The Applicant should identify any outstanding compliance and enforcement issues associated with the property on which the proposed project is to be sited and resolve them accordingly before submitting the Post Construction NJDEP Compliance Form, if applicable.

15. If the proposed project is sited on Green Acres preserved open space, as defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2, or on land owned by NJDEP, the Applicant must receive special approval for the project from NJDEP <u>prior to submitting the Application to the Board</u>, and attach proof of approval to their application package (see section B. VII. Community Solar Facility Siting).

## Submitting an Application

Applications must adhere to all of the following instructions for submission. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on the date of the close of the Application Period in order to be considered.

Mail or hand-deliver the original complete Application package plus three copies of the complete Application package to:

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350

Attn: Office of Clean Energy

Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Package

<u>In addition</u>, submit an electronic version of the complete Application package to <u>both</u> of the following email addresses: <u>communitysolar@njcleanenergy.com</u> and <u>board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov</u>.

### Questions and Further Information

Please address all questions pertaining to the Application Form to <a href="mailto:communitysolar@njcleanenergy.com">communitysolar@njcleanenergy.com</a>.

Additional guidance and Frequently Asked Questions will be available on the NJCEP website at: http://nicleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/programs/community-solar.



## **Section B: Community Solar Energy Project Description**

Instructions: Section B must be completed in its entirety. Any attachments should be placed at the end of the Application package.

I. Applicant Co	ontact Information		
Applicant Con	npany/Entity Name	Hartz Solar, L.L.C.	
First Name: L	awrence	Last N	ame: Garb
Daytime Phon	e: (201)348-1200	Email:	Lawrence.Garb@hartzmountain.com
		Plaza Drive, Box 1515	
		County: Hudson	
Applicant is:	☑ Community So	olar Project Owner	☑ Community Solar Developer/Facility Installer
	☑ Property/Site	Owner	☐ Subscriber Organization
	☐ Agent (if agen	t, what role is represe	ented)
II. Community	Solar Project Owne	er	
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			wn): Hartz Solar, L.L.C.
First Name: L	awrence e: (201)348-1200	Last N	ame: Garb
Daytime Phon	e: (201)348-1200	Email:	Lawrence.Garb@hartzmountain.com
	ss: 400 Plaza Drive		
Municipality:	Secaucus	County: Hudson	Zip Code: <u>07094</u>
III. Community	y Solar Developer		
This section	"Community Solar	Developer" is optic	onal if: 1) the Applicant is a government entity
			olar developer will be selected by the Applicant via
		· ·	this section is required.
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Developer Cor	mpany Name <i>(optio</i>	nal. complete if appli	cable): Hartz Solar, L.L.C.
		Last N	
	e: (201)348-1200		Lawrence.Garb@hartzmountain.com
	ss: 400 Plaza Drive		
Municipality:		County: Hudson	Zip Code: 07094
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The proposed	community solar p	roject will be primaril	y built by:
☐ the Develo	· ·	•	orocurement and construction ("EPC") company
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If the proposed community solar project will be primarily built by a contracted EPC company, complete the following (optional, complete if known):

If the EPC company information is left blank and the proposed project is approved by the Board for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program, the Applicant must inform the Board of the information below once the EPC company becomes known.

EPC Company Name (optional, comp	olete if applicable): Solar Energy	Systems, LLC
First Name: David	Last Name: Buckner	
Daytime Phone: (917) 848-0215		laresystems.com
Mailing Address: 1205 Manhattan A		
Municipality: Brooklyn		Zip Code: 11222
IV. Property/Site Owner Information		
Property Owner Company/Entity Na	me: 1114 Newark Limited Partnership	
	Last Name: Garb	_
Daytime Phone: (201)348-1200		b@hartzmountain.com
Applicant Mailing Address: 400 Plaz	za Drive, Box 1515	
Municipality: Secaucus		Zip Code: 07094
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V. Community Solar Subscriber Orga	nization (optional, complete if kn	own)
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If this section, "Community Solar S	Subscriber Organization," is left	blank and the proposed project is
approved by the Board for particip		
must inform the Board of the inform		
Subscriber Organization Company/E	ntity Name (optional, complete if	applicable): Clean Choice Energy Community LLC
	Last Name: Spinosi	
Daytime Phone: 614-929-5145		eanchoiceenergy.com
Mailing Address: 1055 Thomas Jeffer	son St NW #650	
Municipality: Washington	County: State (DC)	Zip Code: 20007
VI. Proposed Community Solar Facili	ty Characteristics	
Community Solar Facility Size (as der		
1.5625 MW AC	1.9776 MW DC	
	ALL A 601 December Avenue	
Community Solar Facility Location (A		71.0.1.07105
	_ County: Essex	Zip Code: <u>07105</u>
Name of Property (optional, complete	te if applicable): OUT Doremus A	Verlue
Property Block and Lot Number(s): E	SIOCK, SUOU, LUI. LUI I QUAIIIIEI C	2A & O3A



Comm	unity Solar Site Coordinates: W 74.131879 Longitude N 40.715741 Latitude
	creage of Property Block and Lots: 37.930 acres
Total A	creage of Community Solar Facility: 3.765 acres
located docum	a delineated map of the portion of the property on which the community solar facility will be I. In the electronic submission, two copies of the delineated map should be provided: 1) as aPDF ent, and 2) as a design plan in drawing file format (.dwg) or as a shapefile (.shp), in order to the integration with Geographic Information System (GIS) software.
FDC ele	ectric service territory in which the proposed community solar facility is located: (select one)
	☐ Atlantic City Electric ☐ Jersey Central Power & Light
	✓ Public Service Electric & Gas
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project (month Project	ted date of project completion* (The Applicant should provide a good faith estimate of the date of completion; however, this data is being collected for informational purposes only.): November 1 (2020 (year)) (year) (completion is defined pursuant to the definition at N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.3 as being fully operational, and including having subscribers receive bill credits for their subscription to the project.
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The pro	oposed community solar facility is an existing project*
	If "Yes," the Application will not be considered by the Board. See section B. XIII. for special provisions for projects having received a subsection (t) conditional certification from the Board prior to February 19, 2019.
	*Existing project is defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2 as a solar project having begun operation and/or
	been approved by the Board for connection to the distribution system prior to February 19,
	2019.
VII. Co	mmunity Solar Facility Siting
1.	The proposed community solar project has site control*
	If "Yes," attach proof of site control.
	If "No," the Application will be deemed incomplete.
	*Site control is defined as property ownership or option to purchase, signed lease or option to
	lease, or signed contract for use as a community solar site or option to contract for use as a community solar site.
2.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on preserved farmland*□ Yes ☑ No
	If "Yes," the Application will not be considered by the Board.



\*Preserved farmland is defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2 as land from which a permanent development easement was conveyed and a deed of easement was recorded with the county clerk's office pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:1C-11 et seq.; land subject to a farmland preservation program agreement recorded with the county clerk's office pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:1C-24; land from which development potential has been transferred pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-113 et seq. or N.J.S.A. 40:55D-137 et seq.; or land conveyed or dedicated by agricultural restriction pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-39.1.

3.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on Green Acres preserved open space* or on land owned by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)
	If "Yes," the Applicant must attach special authorization from NJDEP for the site to host a community solar facility. The Board will not consider Applications for projects located, in part or in whole, on Green Acres preserved open space or on land owned by NJDEP, unless the Applicant has received special authorization from NJDEP and includes proof of such special authorization in the Application package.
	*Green Acres preserved open space is defined in N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2 as land classified as either "funded parkland" or "unfunded parkland" under N.J.A.C. 7:36, or land purchased by the State with "Green Acres funding" (as defined at N.J.A.C. 7:36).
4.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on land located in the New Jersey Highlands Planning Area or Preservation Area ☐ Yes☑ No
5.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on land located in the New Jersey Pinelands
6.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on land that has been actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use and that is/has been valued, assessed, and taxed pursuant to the "Farmland Assessment Act of 1964," P.L. 1964, c.48 (C. 54:4-23.1 et seq.) at any time within the ten year period prior to the date of submission of the Application Yes No
7.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on a landfill Yes ☑ No
	If "Yes," provide the name of the landfill, as identified in NJDEP's database of New Jersey landfills, available at <a href="www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/lrm/landfill.htm">www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/lrm/landfill.htm</a> :
8.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on a brownfield□Yes☑No
	If "Yes," has a final remediation document been issued for the property? ☐ Yes ☐ No



If "Yes," attach a copy of the Response Action Outcome ("RAO") issued by the LSRP or the No Further Action ("NFA") letter issued by NJDEP.

9.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on an area of historic fill
	If "Yes," have the remedial investigation requirements pursuant to the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation, N.J.A.C. 7:26E-4.7 been implemented?
10.	The proposed community solar facility is located on a parking lot
11.	The proposed community solar facility is located on a parking deck
12.	The proposed community solar facility is located on a rooftop ✓ Yes ☐ No
13.	The proposed community solar facility is located on a canopy over an impervious surface (e.g. walkway) ☐ Yes ☑ No
14.	The proposed community solar facility is located on the property of an affordable housing building or complex ☐ Yes ☑ No
15.	The proposed community solar facility is located on a water reservoir or other water body ("floating solar")
16.	The proposed community solar facility is located on an area designated in need of redevelopment
17.	The proposed community solar facility is located on land or a building that is preserved by a municipal, county, state, or federal entity
18.	The proposed community solar facility is located, in part or in whole, on forested lands



	trees	
	If "Yes," estimated number of trees required to be cut for construction:	<del> </del>
19.	The proposed community solar facility is located on land or a building owned or a government entity, including, but not limited to, a municipal, county, state, or	federal entity
20.	Are there any use restrictions at the site?	
	Will the use restriction be required to be modified?	□Yes☑ No
21.	The proposed community solar facility has been specifically designed or planned enhance the site (e.g. landscaping, land enhancements, pollination suppor management, soil conservation, etc.)	t, stormwater □ Yes ☑ No
VIII. Pe	ermits	
1.	The Applicant has completed NJDEP Permit Readiness Checklist, and submitted	
	If "Yes," attach a copy of the completed Permit Readiness Checklist as it was subm PCER.	



If "No," the Application will be deemed incomplete. Exception: Applications for community solar projects located on a rooftop, parking lot, or parking structure are exempt from this requirement.

- 3. Please list all permits, approvals, or other authorizations that will be needed for the construction and operation of the proposed community solar facility pursuant to local, state and federal laws and regulations. Include permits that have already been received, have been applied for, and that will need to be applied for. The Applicant may extend this table by attaching additional pages if necessary. These include:
  - a. Permits, approvals, or other authorizations from NJDEP (i.e. Land Use, Air Quality, New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System "NJPDES", etc.) for the property.
  - Permits, approvals, or other authorizations from NJDEP (i.e. Land Use, Air Quality, NJPDES, etc.) directly related to the installation and operation of a solar facility on this property.
  - c. Permits, approvals, or other authorizations other than those from NJDEP for the development, construction, or operation of the community solar facility (including local zoning and other local and state permits)

An Application that does not list all permits, approvals, or other authorizations that will be needed for the construction and operation of the proposed community solar facility will be deemed incomplete.

If a permit has been received, attach a copy of the permit.

Permit Name & Description	Permitting Agency/Entity	Date Permit Applied for (if applicable) / Date Permit Received (if applicable)
Zoning Certification	Newark Department of Economic and Housing Developmen	N/A
Construction Permit	NJ Dept. of Community Affairs/ Newark Dept of Economic	N/A
Construction Permit – Building Subsection	NJ Dept. of Community Affairs/ Newark Dept of Economic	N/A
Construction Permit – Electrical Subsection	NJ Dept. of Community Affairs/ Newark Dept of Economic	N/A
Certificate of Approval	Newark Department of Economic and Housing Developmen	N/A
Interconnection Approval	PSE&G	N/A
Permission To Operate	PSE&G	N/A
SRP Acceptance Letter	NJBPU - NJ Clean Energy Program	N/A
SRP Final Approval	NJBPU - NJ Clean Energy Program	N/A



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	4.	The Applicant has consulted to based on the capacity hosting there is sufficient capacity as solar facility	ng map as published at vailable at the proposed of the capacity hosting	the date of submission of location to build the prop	the Application, cosed community  Yes  No
IX.	Com	nmunity Solar Subscriptions an	d Subscribers		
	1.	Estimated or Anticipated Nun	nber of Subscribers <i>(pled</i>	ase provide a good faith es	timate or range):
	2.	Estimated or Anticipated Bre	eakdown of Subscribers	(please provide a good ;	faith estimate or
		range of the kWh of project a	llocated to each categor	y):	
		Residential: 100%	Commercial:		
		Industrial:	Other:	(define "other":	)
	3.	The proposed community solar *An LMI project is defined project in the minimum 51 percent of project in the project in the project in the project in the property of the project in the proposed community solar project in the pr	ursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:8	-9 as a community solar p	
	4.	The proposed community s	• •		
	5.	The proposed community so housing provider:			
	6.	An affordable housing provid community solar project  If "Yes," estimated or anticip provider's subscription (provi	ated percentage of the de an estimate or range	project capacity for the af	Yes No fordable housing
		If "Yes," what specific, subst community solar subscription		•	



Comment: The Applicant is in discussions with two affordable housing providers (AFP) regarding cooperation in subscriber origination with the tenants in the affordable housing providers' locations. One provider is a for-profit AFP and their identity cannot be disclosed at the present time. The second provider is a not-for-profit AFP and its name is Ironbound Community Corporation

Additionally, the affordable housing provider must attach a signed affidavit that the specific, substantial, identifiable, and quantifiable long-term benefits from the community solar subscription will be passed through to their residents/tenants.

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7.	This project uses an anchor subscriber (optional)
	If "Yes," name of the anchor subscriber (optional):  Estimated or anticipated percentage or range of the project capacity for the anchor subscriber's subscription:
8.	Is there any expectation that the account holder of a master meter will subscribe to the community solar project on behalf of its tenants?
	Additionally, the account holder of the master meter must attach a signed affidavit that the
	specific, identifiable, sufficient, and quantifiable benefits from the community solar subscription
	will be passed through to the tenants.
	If "No," please be aware that, if, at any time during the operating life of the community solar project the account holder of a master meter wishes to subscribe to the community solar project on behalf of its tenants, it must submit to the Board a signed affidavit that the specific, identifiable, sufficient, and quantifiable benefits from the community solar subscription will be passed through to its tenants.
9.	The geographic restriction for distance between project site and subscribers is: (select one)
	$\square$ No geographic restriction: whole EDC service territory
	☐ Same county OR same county and adjacent counties
	Same municipality OR same municipality and adjacent municipalities
	Note: The geographic restriction selected here will apply for the lifetime of the project, barring
	special dispensation from the Board, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.5(a).



form(s) found in Appendix A. See Appendix A for exemptions.)
The subscription proposed offers guaranteed or fixed savings to subscribers ✓ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," the guaranteed or fixed savings are offered as:
☐ A percentage saving on the customer's annual electric utility bill
✓ A percentage saving on the customer's community solar bill credit
☐ Other:
If "Yes," the proposed savings represent:
☐ 0% - 5% of the customer's annual electric utility bill or bill credit
$\square$ 5% - 10% of the customer's annual electric utility bill or bill credit
✓ 10% - 20% of the customer's annual electric utility bill or bill credit
$\square$ over 20% of the customer's annual electric utility bill or bill credit
The subscription proposed offers subscribers ownership or a pathway to ownership of a share of
the community solar facility ☐ Yes ☑ No
If "Yes," include proof of a pathway to ownership of a share of the community solar facility
offered to the subscribers in Appendix A.
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11. The list of approved community solar projects will be published on the Board's website. Additionally, subscriber organizations have the option of indicating, on this list, that the project is currently seeking subscribers.
If this project is approved, the Board should indicate on its website that the project is currently
seeking subscribers
If "Yes," the contact information indicated on the Board's website should read:
Company/Entity Name: Clean Choice Energy Community. L.L.C. Contact Name: Jennifer Spinosi  Daytime Phone: 614-929-5145  Email: regulatory@cleanchoiceenergy.com
Daytime Phone: 614-929-5145 Email: regulatory@cleanchoiceenergy.com
Note: it is the responsibility of the project's subscriber organization to notify the Board if/when the project is no longer seeking subscribers, and request that the Board remove the above information on its website.
X. Community Engagement
<ol> <li>The proposed community solar project is being developed by or in collaboration* with the municipality in which the project is located</li></ol>



## See attached:

- Support Letter from City of Newark

<ol> <li>The proposed community solar project is being developed in collaboration* with one or more local community organization(s)</li></ol>
See Attached - Support Letter from Newark All Stars - Support Letter from Solar 1 and Ironbound Community Corporation
3. The proposed community solar project was developed, at least in part, through a community consultative process*
XI. Project Cost
<ol> <li>Provide the following cost estimates and attach substantiating evidence in the form of charts and/or spreadsheet models:</li> </ol>
Applicants are expected to provide a good faith estimate of costs associated with the proposed
community solar project, as they are known at the time the Application is filed with the Board. This information will not be used in the evaluation of the proposed community solar project.
Net Installed Cost (in \$)
Net Installed Cost (in \$/Watt)
Initial Customer Acquisition Cost (in \$/Watt)



Annual Operating Expenses (in c/kWh)	
LCOE (in c/kWh)	

2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.7(q), "community solar projects shall be eligible to apply, via a onetime election prior to the delivery of any energy from the facility, for SRECs or Class I RECs, as applicable, or to any subsequent compensations as determined by the Board pursuant to the Clean Energy Act."

For indicative purposes only, please indicate all local, state and federal tax incentives which will be applied to if the proposed community solar project is approved for participation in the Community Solar **Energy Pilot Program:** 

Tax Incentives:

- Federal Business Investment Tax Credit
- Federal and State depreciation

Non-Tax Incentives: -Legacy SRECs Pineline SRECs or Successor SRECs as defined	h hv the N.IRPII 🛨
XII. Other Benefits	
The proposed community solar facility is paired with another distribute     a. Micro-grid project      b. Storage      c. Other (identify):	☐ Yes ☑ No
The proposed community solar facility provides grid benefits (e.  If "Yes" to any, please explain how and provide supporting documents.	☐ Yes ☑ No
4. The proposed community solar project will create temporary or perma  If "Yes," estimated number of temporary jobs created in New Jersey:  If "Yes," estimated number of permanent jobs created in New Jersey:	
The proposed community solar project will provide job training opport trainees	



If "Yes," identify the entity or entities through which job training is or will be organized (e.g. New Jersey GAINS program, partnership with local school):

Solar 1 and Ironbound Community Corporation

XIII. Spe	ecial Authorizations and Exemptions
1.	Is the proposed community solar project co-located with another community solar facility (as defined at N.J.A.C. 14:8-9.2)?
2.	Does this project seek an exemption from the 10-subscriber minimum?
3.	Specific sections throughout the Application Form are identified as optional only if: 1) the Applicant is a government entity (municipal, county, or state), and 2) the community solar developer will be selected by the Applicant via a RFP, RFQ, or other bidding process. Has the Applicant left those specific sections blank?
4.	Has the proposed community solar project received, in part or in whole, a subsection (t) conditional certification from the Board prior to February 19, 2019?



conditional certification if the proposed project is approved by the Board for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program.





Sectio	n C: Certifications
Instruc notariz	tions: Original signatures on all certifications are required. All certifications in this section must b red.
Applica	ant Certification
The un	dersigned warrants, certifies, and represents that:
1)	I, Lawrence Garb (name) am the Executive Vice President (title) of the Applicant Hartz Solar, L.L.C (name) and have been authorized to file this Applicant Certification on behalf of my organization; and
2)	The information provided in this Application package has been personally examined, is true accurate, complete, and correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, based on personal knowledge or on inquiry of individuals with such knowledge; and
3)	The community solar facility proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated as described in the Application and in accordance with all Board rules and applicable laws; and
	The system proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated in accordance with all Board policies and procedures for the SREC Registration Program or subsequent revision to the SREC Registration Program, if applicable; and
	My organization understands that certain information in this Application is subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47-1A-1 et seq., and that sensitive and trade secret information that they wish to keep confidential should be submitted in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3.; and
6)	My organization acknowledges that submission of false information may be grounds for denial of this Application, and if any of the foregoing statements are willfully false, they are subject to punishment to the full extent of the law, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.
Signatur	e:
	me: Larwrence Garb recutive Vice President Company: Hartz Solar, L.L.C
igned a	nd sworn to before me on this 27th day of August 2019
ignatur	CAROL FEE

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NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires Dec. 29, 2020

**New Jersey Board of Public Utilities** 

Name

**Program Year 1, Application Period 1** 



## **Project Developer Certification**

This Certification "Project Developer / Installer" is optional if: 1) the Applicant is a government entity (municipal, county, or state), AND 2) the community solar developer will be selected by the Applicant via a Request for Proposals (RFP), Request for Quotations (RFQ), or other bidding process. In all other cases, this Certification is required.

The undersigned warrants, certifies, and represents that:

1)	I, Lawrence Garb	(name) am	the	<b>Executive Vice President</b>	(title) of the
	Project Developer Hartz Solar, L.	.L.C		name) and have been author	
	Applicant Certification on behalf of	of my organiz			

- 2) The information provided in this Application package has been personally examined, is true, accurate, complete, and correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, based on personal knowledge or on inquiry of individuals with such knowledge; and
- 3) The community solar facility proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated as described in the Application and in accordance with all Board rules and applicable laws; and
- 4) The system proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated in accordance with all Board policies and procedures for the SREC Registration Program or subsequent revision to the SREC Registration Program, if applicable; and
- 5) My organization understands that certain information in this Application is subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47-1A-1 et seq., and that sensitive and trade secret information that they wish to keep confidential should be submitted in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3.; and
- 6) My organization acknowledges that submission of false information may be grounds for denial of this Application, and if any of the foregoing statements are willfully false, they are subject to punishment to the full extent of the law, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

Signature:	Date: 8/2,7/12
Print Name: Lawrence Garb	
Title: Executive Vice President	Company: Hartz Solar, L.L.C
Caul Fre	on this 27th day of August 2019
Signature	CAROL FEE
CAROL FEE	NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
Name	My Commission Expires Dec. 29, 2020

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**New Jersey Board of Public Utilities** 

Program Year 1, Application Period 1



## **Project Owner Certification**

The undersigned warrants, certifies, and represents tha	The	undersigned	warrants.	certifies.	and	represents	that
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1)	I, Lawrence Garb	(name)	am	the	Execu	utive	Vice	Presi	dent	(title	) of	the
	Project Owner Hartz Solar, L.L.	<u> </u>		_ (na	me) a	nd h	nave	been	authorize	ed to	file	this
	Applicant Certification on behalf of	of my orga	aniz	ation	: and							

- 2) The information provided in this Application package has been personally examined, is true, accurate, complete, and correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, based on personal knowledge or on inquiry of individuals with such knowledge; and
- 3) The community solar facility proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated as described in the Application and in accordance with all Board rules and applicable laws; and
- 4) The system proposed in the Application will be constructed, installed, and operated in accordance with all Board policies and procedures for the SREC Registration Program or subsequent revision to the SREC Registration Program, if applicable; and
- 5) My organization understands that certain information in this Application is subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47-1A-1 et seq., and that sensitive and trade secret information that they wish to keep confidential should be submitted in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3.; and
- 6) My organization acknowledges that submission of false information may be grounds for denial of this Application, and if any of the foregoing statements are willfully false, they are subject to punishment to the full extent of the law, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

Print Name: Lawrence Garb	
Title: Executive Vice President	Company: Hartz Solar, L.L.C
Signed and sworn to before me on this	27th day of August , 2019
Signed and sworn to before me on this .	29th day of <u>August</u> 2019
Signed and sworn to before me on this signature  CAROL FEE	27th day of <u>August</u> , 2019

CAROL FEE
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires Dec. 29, 2020



## **Property Owner Certification**

The undersigned warrants, certifles, and represents that:

- 1) I, Lawrence Garb (name) am the Executive Vice President (title) of the Property 1114 Newark Limited Partnership (name) and have been authorized to file this Applicant Certification on behalf of my organization; and
- 2) The information provided in this Application package pertaining to siting and location of the proposed community solar project has been personally examined, is true, accurate, complete, and correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, based on personal knowledge or on inquiry of individuals with such knowledge; and
- 3) My organization or I understand that certain information in this Application is subject to disclosure under the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47-1A-1 et seq., and that sensitive and trade secret information that they wish to keep confidential should be submitted in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3.; and
- 4) My organization acknowledges that submission of false information may be grounds for denial of this Application, and if any of the foregoing statements are willfully false, they are subject to punishment to the full extent of the law, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

Signature:	Date: 8/27/19
Print Name: Lawrence Garb	
Title: Executive Vice President	Company: 1114 Newark Limited Partnership
Signed and sworn to before me on this 27th  Carol Fee	day of August 2011
Signature <u>CAROL</u> FEE	
Name	

CAROL FEE
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires Dec. 29, 2020



## Subscriber Organization Certification (optional, complete if known)

The u	ndersigned warrants, certii	fles, and represent	ts that:	
1)				
1)			am the Chief Operating Officer  Community, LLC (name) and have been	(title) of the
	this Applicant Certification			authorized to file
2)			, organization; and tion package has been personally e	
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3)	The community solar fa	icility proposed in	the Application will be constructed in accordance with all Board rules.	
4)	My organization understa		information in this Application is sub	
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Signatu	re: / km /	nu	Date: 9/3/2019	
Print Na	me: Chris Perrault			
Title: C	hief Operating Officer	Con	npany: CleanChoice Energy Community	, LLC
Signed a	and sworn to before me on	this September day	of <u>3</u> 20 <u>1</u> 9	
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## **Appendix A: Product Offering Questionnaire**

Complete the following Product Offering Questionnaire. If there are multiple different product offerings for the proposed community solar project, please complete and attach one Product Offering Questionnaire per product offering.

Applicants are expected to provide a good faith description of the product offerings developed for the proposed community solar project, as they are known at the time the Application is filed with the Board. If the proposed project is approved by the Board, the Applicant must notify the Board and receive approval from the Board for any modification or addition to a Product Offering Questionnaire.

	tion: This "Product Offering Questionnaire" is optional if: 1) the Applicant is a government entity
•	cipal, county, or state), AND 2) the community solar developer will be selected by the Applicant via
a Requ	uest for Proposals (RFP), Request for Quotations (RFQ), or other bidding process.
This Q	uestionnaire is Product Offering number $\frac{1}{1}$ of $\frac{1}{1}$ (total number of product offerings).
1.	Community Solar Subscription Type (examples: kilowatt hours per year, kilowatt size,
	percentage of community solar facility's nameplate capacity, percentage of subscriber's
	historical usage, percentage of subscriber's actual usage):
	Percent of subscriber's historical usage
2.	Community Solar Subscription Price: (check all that apply)
	☐ Fixed price per month
	✓ Variable price per month, variation based on: value of credit
	☐ The subscription price has an escalator of % every (interval)
3.	Contract term (length): 120 months, or 10 years OR month-to-month
4.	Fees
	✓ Sign-up fee: None
	✓ Early Termination or Cancellation fees: <sup>2000 if terminated with less than 90 days notice</sup>
	✓ Other fee(s) and frequency: None
5.	Does the subscription guarantee or offer fixed savings or specific, quantifiable economic
	benefits to the subscriber? ✓ Yes No

If "Yes," the savings are guaranteed or fixed:



☐ As a percentage of monthly utility bill
☐ As a fixed guaranteed savings compared to average historic bill
✓ As a fixed percentage of bill credits
☐ Other:

6. Special conditions or considerations:

Flexible Terms:

Non LMI = Must give at least 90 days notice of termination/cancellation or else termination fee is applied

LMI: No termination fee





## Appendix B: Required Attachments Checklist

Note that this list is for indicative purposes only. Additional attachments may be required, and are identified throughout this Application Form.

Required Attachments for all Applications	Page	Attached?
Delineated map of the portion of the property on which the community solar facility will be located.	p.7	☑Yes ☐ No
For electronic submission only: copy of the delineated map of the portion of the property on which the community solar facility will be located as a PDF and in drawing file format (.dwg) or as a shapefile (.shp).	p.7	✓Yes □ No
Proof of site control.	p.8	☑Yes ☐ No
Copy of the completed Permit Readiness Checklist as it was submitted to NJDEP PCER, if applicable.	p.11	□Yes ☑ No
Proof of a meeting with NJDEP PCER, if applicable.	p.12	☐Yes 🗹 No
A screenshot of the capacity hosting map at the proposed location, showing the available capacity.	p.12	✓Yes ☐ No
Substantiating evidence of project cost in the form of charts and/or spreadsheet models.	p.16	☑Yes ☐ No
Certifications in Section C.	p.19-23	☑Yes ☐ No
Product Offering Questionnaire(s).	p.24	☑Yes □ No

Required Attachments for Exemptions	Page	Attached?
The Applicant is a government entity (municipal, county, or state), and the	p.6,	□Yes ☑ No
community solar developer will be selected by the Applicant via a Request for	p.19	
Proposals (RFP), Request for Quotations (RFQ), or other bidding process:	1 Ogt	2111
⇒ Attach a letter from the Applicant describing the bidding process		
The proposed community solar project is located, in part or in whole, on	p.8	□Yes ☑ No
Green Acres preserved open space or on land owned by NJDEP.		
Attach special authorization from NJDEP for the site to host a		
community solar facility.		
The proposed community solar project has received, in part or in whole, a	p. 19	□Yes ☑ No
subsection (t) conditional certification from the Board prior to February 19,		
2019.		
Attach a signed affidavit that the Applicant will immediately withdraw		
the applicable subsection (t) conditional certification if the proposed		
project is approved by the Board for participation in the Community		
Solar Energy Pilot Program.		



## **Appendix C: Evaluation Criteria**

The Evaluation Criteria chart below lists the various categories that the Board will consider in evaluating project Applications. Projects must score <u>a minimum 30 points total</u> in order to be considered for participation in the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program. Projects that score above 30 points will be awarded program capacity in order, starting with the highest-scoring project and proceeding to the lowest-scoring project.

Evaluation Criteria	Max. Points
Low- and Moderate-Income and Environmental Justice Inclusion	30
Higher preference: LMI project	
Siting Higher preference: landfills, brownfields, areas of historic fill, rooftops, parking lots, parking decks	20
Medium preference: canopies over impervious surfaces (e.g. walkway), areas designated in need of redevelopment	
No Points: preserved lands, wetlands, forested areas, farmland	
Bonus points for: landscaping, land enhancement, pollination support, stormwater management, soil conservation	Max. possible bonus points:
Product Offering	15
Higher preference: guaranteed savings >10%, flexible terms*  Medium preference: guaranteed savings >5%  No Points: no guaranteed savings, no flexible terms*	ergu
*Flexible terms may include: no cancellation fee, short-term contract	
Community and Environmental Justice Engagement  Higher preference: partnership with municipality, partnership with local community organization(s), partnership with affordable housing provider Medium preference: letter of support from municipality, project owner is a government and/or public and/or quasi-public entity, project owner is an affordable housing developer	10
Subscribers Higher preference: more than 51% project capacity is allocated to residential subscribers	10
Other Benefits  Higher preference: Provides local jobs/job training, demonstrates cobenefits (e.g. paired with storage, micro-grid project, energy audit, EE measures)	10
Geographic Limit within EDC service territory  Higher preference: municipality/adjacent municipality  Medium preference: county/adjacent county  No Points: any geographic location within the EDC service territory.	5

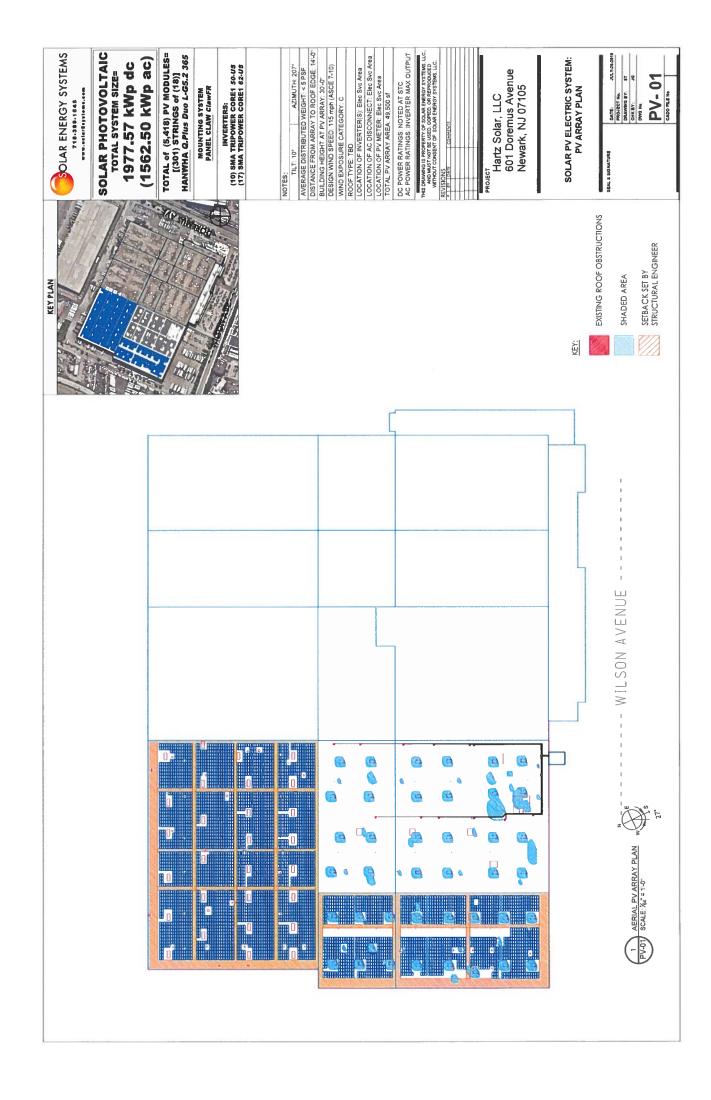
# **Required Attachments**

- 1. Delineated Site Map
- 2. Proof of site control
  - a. Deed
  - b. Site-control letter
  - c. Screenshot from NJ Dept. of Taxation Property Lookup
- 3. Screenshot of capacity hosting map at proposed location
- 4. Table of Project Costs

## **Additional Attachments**

- 5. Support Letter from Township
- 6. Support Letter from Newark All Stars
- 7. Support Letter from Solar 1
- 8. Support Letter from Ironbound Community Corporation

# 1. Delineated Site Map



# 2. Proof of Site Control

- a. Deed
- b. Site-control letter
- c. Screenshot from NJ Dept. of Taxation Property Lookup

## This Beed, made the 27 Th day of December

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Between CBS URBAN RENEWAL CORPORATION (successor by merger and change of name to Hollis Urban Renewal Corporation), a New Jersey corporation,

residing of with offices at 51 West 52nd Street

City New Yorkend State of of New York in the County of New York herein designated as the Grantors, And 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a New Jersey limited partnership,

with offices c/o Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc., 400 Plaza Drive, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 in the

Hudson and State of New Jersey Secaucus

in the County of herein designated as the Grantees;

Editnesseth, that the Grantors, for and in consideration of TWENTY-FIVE MILLION AND 00/100 (\$25,000,000.00) DOLLARS

lawful money of the United States of America, to the Grantors in hand well and truly paid by the Grantess, at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the Grantors being therewith fully satisfied, do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and

All that tract or parcel of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Newark in the and State of New Jersey, more particularly described as follows: County of Essex

PREMISES KNOWN and designated as Disposal Parcel No. 107-1A, as shown on Metes and Bounds survey prepared by Richlan & Luppo, P.R. and Surveyors, dated August 5, 1969, entitled "Industrial River Project N.J. R-121", and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the Westerly line of Doremus Avenue with the proposed Northerly line of Wilson Avenue, said point of BEGINNING being also 14.05 feet Northeasterly from the intersection of the said Westerly line of Doremus Avenue and the Existing Northerly line of Wilson Avenue as shown on Disposal Parcel No. 107-1A on Industrial River Project W.J.

- (1) Along the proposed Northerly line of Wilson Avenue North 70 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds West 1,385.07 feet to a point in feet Northeasterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the existing Northerly line of Wilson Avenue and the Hasterly line of Avenue "P"; thence
- (2) Along the Basterly line of Avenue "P" North 24 degrees 01 minutes 23 seconds East 1.253.89 feet; thence
- (3) South 65 degrees 58 minutes 37 seconds Bast 1,380.36 feet to the Westerly line of Doremus Avenue; thence
- (4) Along said line South 24 degrees 01 minutes 23 seconds West. 1,140.00 feet to the point and place of BEGINNING.

Prepared by:

MCCARTHY, JR

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## 1114 Newark Limited Partnership 400 Plaza Drive, P.O. Box 1515, Secaucus, New Jersey 07096-1515

August 1, 2019

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor
Post Office Box 350
Trenton, New Jersey
08625-0350
Attn: Office of Clean Energy
Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Package

Re: <u>Site Control Certification</u> for Solar Project at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

1114 Newark Limited Partnership (f/k/a 1114 Newark Urban Renewal Limited Partnership ("Owner") is the owner of the above-referenced property ("Property"). Owner has provided Hartz Solar, LLC ("Solar") with the exclusive right to develop and install an approximately 1977.57 kilowaft (de) photovoltaic solar project at the Property (the "Project").

1114 NEWARK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By:

Name: LAWRENCE GARD

Title: EVP

Title: EVP

Property Detail Page 1 of 1

New Search 517-605 DOREMUS AVE Owner: 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD Square Ft: 0 Block: 5060 Prop Loc: 0714 NEWARK Street: 400 PLAZA DR Year Built: 0000 District: Lot: City State: SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 Style: Qual: Class: 4A **Additional Information** EPL Code: 0 0 0 Prior Block: 5060 Acct Num: Addl Lots: Prior Lot: Mtg Acct: Land Desc: 489409 SF Statute: 000000 Further: 000000 Prior Qual: CA3A Bank Code: 0 Bldg Desc: Initial: Updated: 10/18/14 Tax Codes: Class4Cd: 0 Desc: 539270.31 / 0.00 Map Page: 124 Acreage: 11.2353 Taxes: Sale Information Price: Sale Date: 00/00/00 Book: Page: 0 NU#: 0 NU# Ratio Grantee Sr1a Book Page Date TAX-LIST-HISTORY Land/Imp/Tot Exemption Assessed Property Owner Information Year 0 14602500 2019 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 3982200 4A 400 PLAZA DR 10620300 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 14602500 2018 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 3982200 0 14602500 10620300 400 PLAZA DR SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 14602500 0 14602500 3982200 2017 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 4A 400 PLAZA DR 10620300 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 14602500 2016 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 3982200 0 14602500 **4A** 400 PLAZA DR 10620300 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 14602500

<sup>\*</sup>Click Here for More History

Property Detail Page 1 of 1

New Search Block: 517-605 DOREMUS AVE Owner: 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD Square Ft: 0 5060 Prop Loc: Year Built: 0000 400 PLAZA DR 0714 NEWARK Street: Lot: District: City State: SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 C2A Style: Qual: Class: 4A Additional Information EPL Code: 000 Prior Block: 5060 Addl Lots: Acct Num: Land Desc: 216585 SF Statute: Prior Lot: Mtg Acct: Bank Code: 0 000000 Further: 000000 Prior Qual: CA2A Initial: Blda Desc: Updated: 10/18/14 Tax Codes: Class4Cd: 0 Desc: 185591.72 / 0.00 4.9721 Taxes: Map Page: 124 Acreage: Zone: Sale Information 0 NU#: 0 Price: Sale Date: 00/00/00 Book: Page: Date Book Price NU# Ratio Grantee TAX-LIST-HISTORY Land/Imp/Tot Exemption Assessed Property Owner Information Year 1991100 0 5025500 2019 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 400 PLAZA DR 3034400 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 5025500 2018 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 1991100 0 5025500 4A 400 PLAZA DR 3034400 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 5025500 2017 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 1991100 0 5025500 4A 3034400 400 PLAZA DR SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 5025500 2016 1114 NEWARK URBAN RENEWAL LTD 1991100 0 5025500 4A 400 PLAZA DR 3034400 SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 5025500

\*Click Here for More History

3. Screenshot of capacity hosting map at proposed location

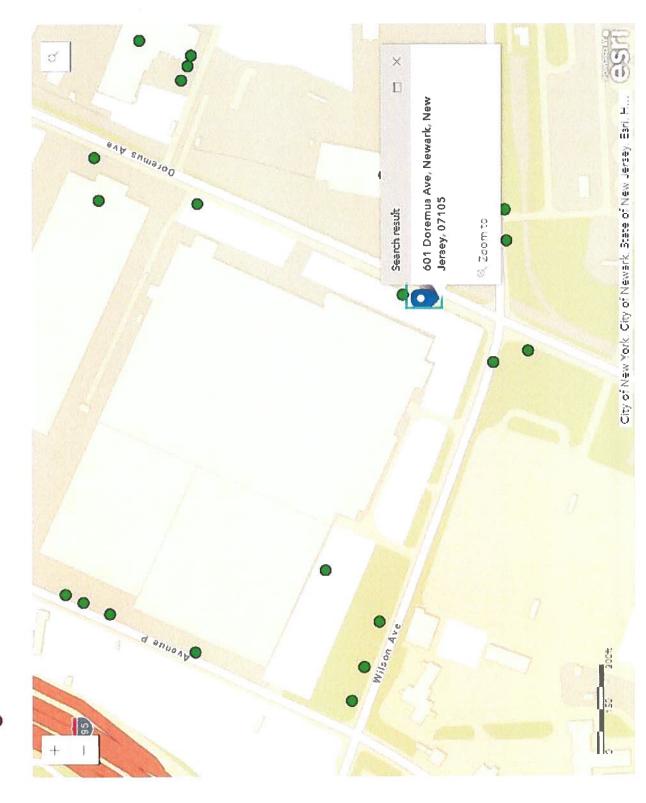
SolarPowerSuitability





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# 4. Table of Project Costs

601 Doremus Avenue	1,977,570.00 watts			
Net Installed Cost	\$		1	
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\$\$/watt	Ş			

Item	Total Cost (\$)		\$/Watt
Modules	\$		
Inverters	\$		
Mounting System	\$		
BOS / Monitoring	\$		
Insallation Labor	\$		
Design/Permitting/Close out	\$		

# **5. Support Letter from Township**



# AUGUSTO AMADOR COUNCILMAN EAST WARD

September 3, 2019

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor
Post Office Box 350
Trenton, New Jersey
08625-0350
Attn: Office of Clean Energy

Attn: Office of Clean Energy
Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Package

CITY HALL ROOM 304 920 BROAD STREET NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07102 OFFICE: (973) 733-3665 FAX: (973) 733-5822

Re: Community Solar Project at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

Dear Members of the Board and Staff,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Community Solar Project that Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. ("Hartz") has proposed at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

Hartz presented the project concept to us on September 3, 2019. Hartz explained that since New Jersey began its nation-leading solar energy program more than 15 years ago, some residents have been prevented from enjoying the benefits of solar energy due to a range of limitations such as:

- Residents that live in multi-family buildings have insufficient roof space to erect solar panels to power all dwellings within the building.
- Renters with short-term leases are unable to justify the cost or commitment to the installation of a solar array.
- Many residents have limited financial resources that preclude them from installing solar.
- Some residents live in homes that are shaded by trees or other obstructions making their homes unsuitable for solar power.

Hartz explained that the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities is conducting a Community Solar Pilot Program whereby these under-served residents can realize the benefits of solar by procuring solar energy that is produced at a site that is geographically different from where they live.

Hartz proposes to use the rooftop of a warehouse at 601 Doremus Avenue to produce solar energy which that will then be distributed to certain residents of Newark through the existing electrical grid. We understand that at least 51% of the solar energy will be distributed to

residents classified as having Low and Moderate Incomes (LMI) and that this energy will be sold at rates 15% lower than those prevailing from PSE&G.

The City of Newark strongly supports this project for a variety of reasons:

- The project will allow residents of Newark's abundant multi-family building stock to realize financial savings from solar power and participate in the fight against climate change.
- The project's focus on LMI residents will enhance climate equity and environmental justice.
- Construction of the project will create local jobs and the operation of the project will reduce air pollution.
- The project is situated on a commercial rooftop in an industrial zone of the city with no alternative use. The project does not disturb green space or land that could otherwise have a higher and better use to the people of Newark.
- The project is consistent with Mayors National Climate Action Agenda (MNCAA) to uphold the objectives of the Paris Accord on Climate Change. The City of Newark signed the MNCAA on June 16, 2017.

I sincerely hope that the Board of Public Utilities approves this project.

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**Augusto Amador** 

**East Ward Councilman** 

6. Support Letter from Newark All Stars



August 5, 2019

All Stars Project Inc. 33 Washington Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor
Post Office Box 350
Trenton, New Jersey
08625-0350
Attn: Office of Clean Energy
Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Package

Re: Community Solar Project at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

Dear Members of the Board and Staff,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Community Solar Project that Hartz Mountain Industries has proposed at 601 Doremus Avenue in Newark.

The All Stars Project is a national initiative that seeks to transform the lives of youth and poor communities in partnership with caring adults. On the ground in Newark since 1999, the All Stars Project of New Jersey has touched the lives of more than 35,000 young people through a variety of programs. In the Development School for Youth (DSY) program young people ages 16 to 21 learn to perform as professionals through partnerships with business leaders who provide paid summer internships at their companies.

Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. ("Hartz") has been a DSY partner since 2011 and has sponsored thirty-five interns since that time. A leader in solar energy development, ownership and operation, Hartz has added a solar component to the DSY curriculum. Interns learn about solar energy in a tutorial setting with the solar installer for this project, Solar Energy Systems, LLC. The interns also obtain "hands-on" experience in solar energy development through site visits to prospective development sites, including the site at 601 Doremus Avenue. The interns also learn about solar energy operations and maintenance through visits to a number of already constructed sites in the Hartz solar portfolio.

Photographs of the intern's solar experience, including feedback from the interns themselves, are attached to this letter.

The interns have enjoyed their solar energy education immensely! They are fascinated by the technology and are excited by the opportunities it beholds for their future: jobs in the clean energy economy and a way to fight climate change.

If this project is approved by the Board, they are also anxious to talk to their families about subscribing to the solar energy produced by the system. Having seen many of the sites and solar systems in their internship, they can readily connect the dots between their internship experience and the lights that are on at home. Meanwhile, their families will surely enjoy the savings on their electricity bills!

Once again, the All Stars Project of New Jersey fully supports the proposed Community Solar project at 601 Doremus Avenue in Newark. We hope that the Board approves this project so that there is another case study in solar energy for future classes of All Star interns at Hartz!

Warmest Regards,

Shadae McDaniel

**Director, Youth Programs** 

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All Stars Project of New Jersey

# **QUOTES FROM THE INTERNS AFTER LEARNING ABOUT SOLAR ENERGY**

## Richards Lawson:

"We learned how solar panels are oriented towards the sun to maximize their efficiency"

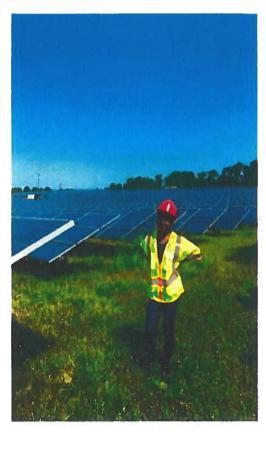
# Janique Gonzales:

"It was so interesting to see how solar panels are able to absorb the sun's rays and convert that to electricity"

## Fidous Mahamah:

"I never realized how expensive solar panels are. It is a big investment to build a solar array"

# PHOTOS OF OUR INTERNS AT WORK LEARNING ABOUT SOLAR ENERGY









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Attn: Office of Clean Energy, Community Solar Energy Pilot Program Application Package

Re: Workforce Partnership for Community Solar Project at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark, NJ 07105

Dear Members of the Board and Staff,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Community Solar Project that Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. and Hartz Solar, L.L.C ("Hartz") has proposed at the host site located at 601 Doremus Avenue, Newark.

Solar One's mission is to expand access to benefits of clean energy to historically underserved communities. Through our Green Workforce Training Program, we provide hard skills training to unemployed adults in order to improve their career opportunities in the energy and building trades.

If this Community Solar Project is approved under the Community Solar Energy Pilot Program, we commit to training at least 20 unemployed Northern New Jersey residents recruited by Newark-based Ironbound Community Corporation. Specifically, the course would include two weeks of classroom and hands-on training in construction safety, electrical basics and solar installation using experienced instructors from Solar One. The training will take place at Ironbound Community Corporation's Adult Education facility in Newark.

Following training, the top students from the course will be hired by Solar Energy Systems, L.L.C, Hartz's selected solar installation partner, to work on the installation of the solar array at the Community Solar host site. This workforce partnership will create high quality employment opportunity for those who need it most, helping ensure that this solar project maximizes economic benefit to low-income residents in the local community.

I am very excited about the training and employment prospects presented by our workforce partnership, and encourage the Board of Public Utilities to approve this project.

Sincerely,

**Noah Ginsburg** 

Director, Here Comes Solar

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# 8. Support Letter from Ironbound Community Corporation



#### **ADMINISTRATION**

317 Elm Street Newark, NJ 07105 973-465-0555

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Ironbound Community Corporation's mission is to engage and empower individuals, families and groups in realizing their aspirations and, together, work to create a just, vibrant and sustainable community.

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Joseph Della Fave

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