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NOISE STUDY REPORT





KINGSTON SOLAR LP SOL-LUCE KINGSTON SOLAR PV ENERGY PROJECT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, a Division of AMEC Americas Limited (AMEC), was retained by Kingston Solar LP (hereinafter referred to as the "Proponent") to prepare a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, as required under Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09, for its proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project in Kingston, Ontario (the Project). This *Noise Study Report* has been completed as a component of the REA application. The purpose of this study is to assess and document potential environmental noise impact of the proposed solar electricity generating project on neighbouring land uses that are considered as noise sensitive in accordance with the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) noise guidelines. This report presents the results of the noise study required for solar facilities under O. Reg. 359/09.

This Noise Study Report has been prepared in accordance with the MOE's, "Basic Comprehensive Certificates of Approval User Guide", Version 2.1, March 2011 and NPC-233, "Information to be Submitted for Approval of Stationary Sources of Sound", dated October 1995 as required by the MOE. This study has taken into account cumulative noise effect from the neighbouring solar projects within 2 km of the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project and considered vacant lots as surrogate receptors for noise assessment. To determine adjacent solar projects, a search of current and proposed projects was completed within 2 km of the Project's property lines. The search was based on the Proponent's knowledge of other projects proposed; reviewing MOE's Renewable Energy Project listing (http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/en/subject/renewable_energy/projects/index.htm): and reviewing websites of developers known to be active in the City of Kingston, Loyalist Township; and the County of Lennox-Addington. This search identified three potential projects within 2 km of the Project's property lines: SunE Westbrook Solar Farm; Kingston Gardiner Highway 2 South Solar Project; and SkyPower MajesticLight Solar Project. Of these, only the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm and Kingston Gardiner Highway 2 South Solar Project have published Noise Study Reports that could be used in this assessment. There was no information available on the MajesticLight Solar Project and its status is unknown.

Kingston Solar LP is constructing a 100 MW AC solar power development in Eastern Ontario located in the City of Kingston and Loyalist Township. The Project is spread across portions of City of Kingston and Loyalist Township and would occupy approximately 261 hectares of land. The lands on which the solar panels would be located are privately owned and would be leased by Kingston Solar LP for the duration of the Project.

The Project is located in a Class 3 Area, based on the classification defined in Publication NPC-232 by the MOE. The Class 3 Area means a rural area with an acoustical environment that is dominated by natural sounds, having little or no traffic, such as an agricultural area. Eighty (80) representative noise-impacted points of reception, including thirty-one (31) vacant lots, are identified in the vicinity of the proposed project and used in the noise study. Vacant lots considered were those falling within the 35 dBA contour as discussed with the MOE.



Ninety-eight (98) significant noise sources from the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project, thirty-one (31) from the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm and eleven (11) from the Kingston Gardiner Hwy 2 South Solar Energy Project have been identified and considered for this noise study. These sources include one 110 MVA transformer for the substation and ninety-seven (97) Medium Voltage Power Platforms (MVPP) at the Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project; twenty (20) hut inverters, ten (10) hut transformers and one (1) substation transformer at the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm; and ten (10) inverters and one (1) substation transformer at the Kingston Gardiner Hwy 2 South Solar Energy Project. Each MVPP at the Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project houses two (2) SC-500HE-US 500 kW or equivalent inverters inside an enclosure and one 1 MVA transformer located outdoor.

There are no significant sources of vibration at the site and therefore, a vibration assessment is not required for this project. Sound levels from the Project operations were modelled using Cadna/A, a computerized version of the ISO 9613 environmental noise propagation algorithms, produced by Datakustik GmbH. The predicted sound levels from the Project noise sources at the modeled points of reception (POR 1 through POR 80) are not expected to exceed the MOE NPC-232 guideline limits for Class 3 Areas. The sound pressure levels at the points of reception reported as part of this noise study represent the worst-case impact from the project with cumulative noise effect from the neighbouring solar farms within 2 km of the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project.

The project attributable noise at each point of reception is not expected to exceed the applicable guideline limits. Therefore, the Project will be in compliance with MOE NPC-232 guidelines with the layout used in this study. No additional noise mitigation is therefore required.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Kingston Solar LP (hereinafter referred to as the "Proponent") has retained AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, a Division of AMEC Americas Limited (AMEC) to prepare a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, as required under Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09, for its proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project (the Project) in Kingston, Ontario. This *Noise Study Report* is completed as a component of the REA application. This Noise Study Report has been prepared in accordance with the MOE's, "Basic Comprehensive Certificates of Approval User Guide", Version 2.1, March 2011 and NPC-233, "Information to be Submitted for Approval of Stationary Sources of Sound", dated October 1995 as required by Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE).

The objective of this study is to assess and document potential environmental noise impact of the proposed photovoltaic electricity generating project on neighbouring land uses that are considered as noise sensitive in accordance with the MOE noise guidelines. This report presents the results of the noise study required for solar facilities under Ontario Regulation 359/09 to support application for REA.

A glossary of commonly used noise terminologies can be found in **Appendix A**.



2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LAYOUT

Kingston Solar LP is constructing a 100 MW solar power development in Eastern Ontario located in the City of Kingston and Loyalist Township. The Project is spread across portions of City of Kingston and Loyalist Township as shown in Figure 1 and would occupy approximately 261 hectares of land. The lands on which the solar panels would be located are privately owned and would be leased by Kingston Solar LP for the duration of the Project.

The proposed facility will convert solar energy into electricity to be fed into the Hydro One distribution grid. The electrical output of the Project will be collected and connected to an electrical substation capable of transforming the power from distribution voltage to a transmission voltage of 230 kV. The Project is designated as a Class 3 solar farm as defined by Section 4 of O.Reg. 359/09.

The new electric generating facility that will utilize photovoltaic (PV) panels installed on fixed racking structures, mounted on the ground. The PV panels generate DC electricity, which is converted to 200 Low Voltage AC electricity by the inverters at the Medium Voltage Power Platforms (MVPP). The 200 Low Voltage AC power is then transformed to 34.5 kV by a step-up transformer located at the MVPP. The 34.5-kV power is brought to a single central substation transformer to be stepped up to 230 kV for transmission to the nearby Hydro One transmission line.

Figure 1 shows the project location and project boundaries along with neighbouring solar projects within 2 km. The proposed schedule for the Project is to commence construction in 2013 with completion in 2014. The electrical substation will be located at south end of Property# 4. O&M building will be located on west of the substation on Property# 4.

The Project is spread over nineteen (19) private properties (e.g., P1 through P4, P6A, P7, P9, P10, P11A, P12, P14A, P14B, P14C, and P19 through P24) in the City of Kingston and Loyalist Township. The Project is bounded to the south by Westbrook Road and Highway 401, to the east by County Road 38 and farm lands, to the north by farm lands and to the west by farm lands and County Road 19. The zoning maps for the project site and surrounding areas are included in **Appendix B**. The project drawings and layouts are included in **Appendix C**.

The Project is composed of one (1) 110 MVA transformer for the substation and ninety-seven (97) MVPP, each of them houses two (2) SC-500HE-US 500 kW or equivalent inverters inside the enclosure and one 1 MVA transformer outdoor. The solar panels produce electricity during daytime only. After sunset, the facility will not receive solar radiation to generate any electricity. Under these conditions, the inverters will not produce noise, the transformers energized, but not in operation (no fans).



3.0 NOISE SOURCE SUMMARY

Two types of noise sources associated with the Project were identified: transformers and inverters. The inverters are located inside MVPP enclosure. There are ninety-seven (97) MVPPs proposed for this project, each houses two (2) SC-500HE-US 500 kW or equivalent inverters inside an enclosure and one (1) 1 MVA step-up transformer outdoor. A 110 MVA transformer is proposed for the substation. The layout of the site is provided in **Appendix C** and manufacturer's sound data for the MVPP is provided in **Appendix D**. Noise sources for the Project are shown in Figures 2 through 7 and are presented in Table 1.

3.1 Substation

The Project's electrical substation will be located south end of the PV panels on Property# 4 site. See layout in **Appendix C** for details. At this point, it is anticipated that the step-up power transformer located in the substation will have a maximum rating of 110 MVA. The proposed transformer cutsheet along with sound data is provided in **Appendix D**. For the purpose of evaluating the potential noise impacts of the transformer, the sound pressure levels in octave band were estimated to match the manufacturer's overall sound pressure level and converted to sound power level based on the transformer size. Conversion of sound pressure level to sound power level is included in **Appendix E**.

Power transformers are considered as tonal noise sources by the MOE. A 5-dB penalty is added to the sound power spectrum, as recommended by Publication MOE NPC-104, "Sound Level Adjustments" for tonality.

3.2 Medium Voltage Power Platforms (MVPP)

Ninety-seven (97) 1 MW rated SMA Medium Power Platforms are proposed for this project (see Appendix D for cutsheets). Sixty-six (66) of them are mitigated units. Each MVPP houses two (2) SC-500HE-US 500 kW or equivalent inverters inside an enclosure and one (1) 1 MVA step-up transformer outdoor. The unmitigated configuration consists of the MVPP enclosure assembly (both walls and roof), housing two 500 kW inverters, made of sandwich panels separating two 18 gauge steel sheets by 3-inch deep cavity filled with fibreglass insulation. Sound data provided for the unmitigated configuration includes two 500 kW inverters. The total sound power levels provided by the manufacturer include sound emanating from two inverters through the walls, roof, louvered doors and exhaust openings. However, they do not include noise contribution from the step-up transformer located outdoor. In the absence of manufacturer sound data for the step-up transformer associated with the MVPP, sound power levels were estimated from the Canadian Standard Association (CSA C227.4) based on the transformer capacity. The octave band spectrum were estimated to match the overall CSA sound pressure levels and converted to sound power levels based on the transformer size. The sound data for the enclosed inverters as provided by the manufacturer is added with the estimated sound data for one 1 MVA step-up transformer and used in the noise study.



The mitigated configuration of the MVPP enclosure includes perforated steel on the inner side of enclosure wall, instead of solid steel sheet. Additionally, each inverter exhaust is attached with an acoustically lined rectangular duct of 2 m in length. The acoustic lining inside the duct is 25 mm thick. Details of the mitigation are provided in the Sound Prediction Report for the MVPP units completed by HGC Engineering (see **Appendix D**), as provided by the manufacturer. The mitigated unit sound power levels provided by the manufacturer include sound emanating from two inverters through the walls, roof, louvered doors and exhaust openings. Estimated sound data, based on CSA Standards, for one 1 MVA step-up transformer is added with the mitigated MVPP sound data for the noise study.

Each MVPP was modelled as single point source (combination of two enclosed inverters and one outdoor step-up transformer). A 5-dBA penalty was added to the frequency spectrum, as stipulated in Publication MOE NPC-104, "Sound Level Adjustments" to allow for tonality.

The "barrier effect" provided by the solar panels surrounding MVPPs has not been modelled, which means that the actual sound pressure levels at any Point of Reception (POR) may be lower than the predicted levels. The solar facility is not expected to operate during night-time and the inverters do not produce noise during night-time. However, the step-up transformers will be energized and make some magnetostrictive noise at a reduced level. None of these assumptions should affect the conclusions of this study as AMEC has modelled the worst-case scenario.

The substation transformer and SMA MVPP technical specifications provided by the manufacturer are included in **Appendix D**. Noise calculations of transformers and MVPPs are included in **Appendix E**. A summary of the sound sources described above, including sound levels, characteristics and potential noise control measures is presented in Table 1.

3.3 Neighbouring Solar Projects (for Cumulative Noise Effect)

This noise study has taken into account cumulative noise effect from the neighbouring solar farms within 2 km of the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project. To determine adjacent solar projects, a search of current and proposed projects was completed within 2 km of the Project's property lines. The search was based on the Proponent's knowledge of other projects proposed: reviewing MOE's Renewable Enerav Project listina (http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/en/subject/renewable energy/projects/index.htm); and reviewing websites of developers known to be active in the City of Kingston, Loyalist Township; and the County of Lennox-Addington. This search identified three potential projects within 2 km of the Project's property lines: SunE Westbrook Solar Farm; Kingston Gardiner Highway 2 South Solar Project; and SkyPower MajesticLight Solar Project. Of these, only the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm and Kingston Gardiner Highway 2 South Solar Project have published Noise Study Reports that could be used in this assessment. There was no information available on the MajesticLight Solar Project and its status is unknown.



Twenty (20) hut inverters, ten (10) hut transformers and one (1) substation transformer at the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm, and ten (10) inverters and one (1) substation transformer at the Kingston Gardiner Hwy 2 South Solar Energy Project are included in the assessment. Sound power levels, location and heights for the noise sources are taken from the noise study report for the respective projects. Noise study reports for the SunE Westbrook Solar Farm and Kingston Gardiner Hwy 2 South Solar Energy Project are provided in **Appendix F**.

A 5-dB penalty is added to the sound power spectrum, as recommended by Publication MOE NPC-104, "Sound Level Adjustments" to allow for tonality.

A summary of the sound sources described above, including sound levels, characteristics and potential noise control measures is presented in Table 1.



Source ID ^[1]	Source Description	Sound Power Level	Source Location	Sound Characteristics [4]	Noise Control Measures ^[5]			
		(dBA/dBAI)	(I or O)	(S,Q,I,B,T,C)	(S,A,B,L,E,O,U)			
Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project								
P1 U1	MVPP P1 U1	94	0	S, T	U			
P1 U2	MVPP P1 U2	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P1 U3	MVPP P1 U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P2 1 U1	MVPP P2/1 U1	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P3_U1	MVPP P3_U1	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P3_U2	MVPP P3_U2	94	0	S, T	Ŭ			
P3 U3	MVPP P3 U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P3_U4	MVPP P3_U4	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P3_U5	MVPP P3_U5	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P3 U6	MVPP P3 U6	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P4 U1	MVPP P4 U1	94	0	S, T	Ú			
P4 U2	MVPP P4 U2	94	0	S, T	U			
P4 U3	MVPP P4 U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P4 U4	MVPP P4 U4	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P4 U5	MVPP P4 U5	94	0	S, T	Ú			
P6A U1	MVPP P6A U1	94	0	S, T	U			
P6A U2	MVPP P6A U2	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P6A U3	MVPP P6A U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P7 9 10 U1	MVPP P7/9/10 U1	94	0	S, T	Ú			
P7_9_10_U2	MVPP P7/9/10_U2	94	0	S, T	U			
P7 9 10 U3	MVPP P7/9/10 U3	94	0	S, T	U			
P7_9_10_U4	MVPP P7/9/10_U4	94	0	S, T	U			
P11A_U1	MVPP P11A_U1	94	0	S, T	U			
P11A_U2	MVPP P11A_U2	94	0	S, T	U			
P11A_U3	MVPP P11A_U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P12_U1	MVPP P12_U1	94	0	S, T	Ŭ			
P12_U2	MVPP P12_U2	94	0	S, T	U			
P12_U3	MVPP P12_U3	94	0	S, T	U			
P12_U4	MVPP P12_U4	94	0	S, T	U			
P12_U5	MVPP P12_U5	94	0	S, T	U			
P12_U6	MVPP P12_U6	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P12_U7	MVPP P12_U7	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P14A U1	MVPP P14A U1	94	0	S, T	Ú			
P14A U2	MVPP P14A U2	94	0	S, T	U			
P14A U3	MVPP P14A U3	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P14A U4	MVPP P14A U4	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P14A U5	MVPP P14A U5	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P14A U6	MVPP P14A U6	85	0	S, T	A,E			
P14A_U7	MVPP P14A U7	94	0	S, T	Ú			
P14A_U8	MVPP P14A_U8	94	0	S, T	U			
P14A_U9	MVPP P14A U9	94	0	S, T	U			
P14A_U10	MVPP P14A U10	94	0	S, T	U			
P14A_U11	MVPP P14A_U11	94	0	S, T	U			

Table 1: Noise Source Summary



	Source	Sound Bower Level	Source	Sound	Noise Control	
Source ID ^[1]	Description		[3]		Measures ^[5]	
	•	(dBA/dBAI)	(dBA/dBAI) (I or O) (S,Q,I,B,T,C		(S,A,B,L,E,O,U)	
P14A_U12	MVPP P14A_U12	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14A_U13	MVPP P14A_U13	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14A_U14	MVPP P14A_U14	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14A_U15	MVPP P14A_U15	94	0	S, T	U	
P14A_U16	MVPP P14A_U16	94	0	S, T	U	
P14A_U17	MVPP P14A_U17	94	0	S, T	U	
P14A_U18	MVPP P14A_U18	94	0	S, T	U	
P14A_U19	MVPP P14A_U19	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14A_U20	MVPP P14A_U20	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14A_U21	MVPP P14A_U21	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U1	MVPP P14B_U1	94	0	S, T	U	
P14B_U2	MVPP P14B_U2	94	0	S, T	U	
P14B_U3	MVPP P14B_U3	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U4	MVPP P14B_U4	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U5	MVPP P14B_U5	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U6	MVPP P14B_U6	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U7	MVPP P14B_U7	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14B_U8	MVPP P14B_U8	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P14C_U1	MVPP P14C_U1	94	0	S, T	U	
P14C_U2	MVPP P14C_U2	94	0	S, T	U	
P14C_U3	MVPP P14C_U3	94	0	S, T	U	
P14C_U4	MVPP P14C_U4	94	0	S, T	U	
P19_20_U1	MVPP P19/20_U1	94	0	S, T	U	
P19_U1	MVPP P19_U1	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P19_U2	MVPP P19_U2	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P19_U3	MVPP P19_U3	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P19_U4	MVPP P19_U4	94	0	S, T	U	
P19_U5	MVPP P19_U5	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P20_U1	MVPP P20_U1	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U1	MVPP P21_U1	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P21_U2	MVPP P21_U2	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U3	MVPP P21_U3	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U4	MVPP P21_U4	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U5	MVPP P21_U5	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U6	MVPP P21_U6	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U7	MVPP P21_U7	94	0	S, T	U	
P21_U8	MVPP P21_U8	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P21_U9	MVPP P21_U9	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P22_U1	MVPP P22_U1	94	0	S, T	U	
P22_U2	MVPP P22_U2	94	0	S, T	U	
P22_U3	MVPP P22_U3	94	0	S, T	U	
P22_U4	MVPP P22_U4	94	0	S, T	U	
P22_U5	MVPP P22_U5	85	0	S, T	A,E	
P22_U6	MVPP P22_U6	85	0	S, T	A,E	

Table 1: Noise Source Summary (continued)



	Source	Sound Bower Level	Source	Sound	Noise Control
Source ID ^[1]	Description		[3]		Measures ^[5]
		(dBA/dBAI)	(I or O)	(S,Q,I,B,T,C)	(S,A,B,L,E,O,U)
P23_U2	MVPP P23_U2	94	0	S, T	U
P23_U3	MVPP P23_U3	94	0	S, T	U
P23_U4	MVPP P23_U4	94	0	S, T	U
P23_U5	MVPP P23_U5	94	0	S, T	U
P23_U6	MVPP P23_U6	85	0	S, T	A,E
P23_U7	MVPP P23_U7	85	0	S, T	A,E
P24_U1	MVPP P24_U1	94	0	S, T	U
P24_U2	MVPP P24_U2	94	0	S, T	U
P24_U3	MVPP P24_U3	94	0	S, T	U
те	Transformer	111	0	sт	В
15	Station	111	0	5, 1	D
SunE Westbro	ok Solar Farm	-			
H1T	Hut 1 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H1I1	Hut 1 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H1I2	Hut 1 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H2T	Hut 2 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H2I1	Hut 2 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H2I2	Hut 2 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H3T	Hut 3 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H3I1	Hut 3 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H3I2	Hut 3 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H4T	Hut 4 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H4I1	Hut 4 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H4I2	Hut 4 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H5T	Hut 5 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H5I1	Hut 5 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H5I2	Hut 5 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H6T	Hut 6 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H6I1	Hut 6 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H6I2	Hut 6 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H7T	Hut 7 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H7I1	Hut 7 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H7I2	Hut 7 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H8T	Hut 8 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H8I1	Hut 8 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H8I2	Hut 8 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H9T	Hut 9 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H9I1	Hut 9 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H9I2	Hut 9 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
H10T	Hut 10 Transformer	78	0	S, T	U
H10I1	Hut 10 Inverter 1	89	0	S, T	E
H10l2	Hut 10 Inverter 2	89	0	S, T	E
ST	Substation Transformer	92	0	S, T	U

Table 1: Noise Source Summary (continued)



Source ID ^[1]	Source Description	Sound Source Power Level Location Cha		Sound Characteristics [4]	Noise Control Measures ^[5]					
	Description	(dBA/dBAI)	(I or O)	(S,Q,I,B,T,C)	(S,A,B,L,E,O,U)					
Kingston Gardiner Highway 2 South Solar Project										
Sub	44-kV/10-MVA Substation transformer	91	0	S, T	U					
Inv1	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv2	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv3	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv4	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv5	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv6	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv7	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv8	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv9	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					
Inv10	Sunny Central 1000MV inverter unit	102	0	S, T	E, S					

Table 1:	Noise	Source	Summary	(continued)
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Notes to Table:

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1.

Source ID matches the identifiers used in the inverter layout. Sound Power Level of Source, in dBA, including sound characteristic adjustments per NPC-104.

2. 3. Source Location: O = Outside of building, including the roof, I = Inside of building Sound Characteristic, per NPC-104

4.

S = Steady I = Impulsi

Q = Quasi-Steady Impulsive B = Buzzing

Noise Control Measures to Be Included S = Silencer/Muffler L = LaggiL = Lagging

O = other

 $\begin{array}{l} A = A coustic lining for the exhaust opening \\ B = Barrier on south and west sides of the transformer station \\ \end{array}$ E = acoustic enclosure

U = uncontrolled



4.0 MITIGATION MEASURES SUMMARY

The mitigation for operation of the Project has been modelled and considered to be feasible. The proposed mitigation for this project is: a) acoustic barriers on south and west sides of the substation transformer, and b) forty-two (42) mitigated MVPP units as provided in the Sound Prediction Report for the MVPP units completed by HGC Engineering (see **Appendix D**). A combination of berms and barriers can also be used to mitigate the substation transformer noise impact on the PORs.

The minimum construction requirements for the proposed noise barrier for the substation transformer are presented in Table 2 (see Figure 5). Mitigated MVPPs are identified in Table 2.

Seuree ID	Mitigation Description	Attenuation (dB)							
Source ID		63	125	250	500	1K	2K	4K	8K
MVPP P1_U2	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P1_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P2/1_U1	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P3_U1	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P3_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P3_U4	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P3_U5	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P3_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P4_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P4_U4	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P6A_U2	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P6A_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18

Table 2: Summary of Mitigation Measures



Source ID	Mitigation Description	Attenuation (dB)							
Source ID	Willigation Description	63	125	250	500	1K	2K	4K	8K
	exhausts								
MVPP P11A_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P12_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P12_U7	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U4	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U5	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U12	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U13	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U14	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U19	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U20	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14A_U21	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14B_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14B_U4	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14B_U5	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18

Table 2: Summary of Mitigation Measures (continued)



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Seuree ID	Mitigation Description	Attenuation (dB)							
Source ID		63	125	250	500	1K	2K	4K	8K
MVPP P14B_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14B_U7	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P14B_U8	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P19_U1	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P19_U2	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P19_U3	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P19_U5	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P21_U1	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P21_U8	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P21_U9	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P22_U5	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P22_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P23_U6	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18
MVPP P23_U7	MVPP Acoustic Enclosure and 2 m long lined duct for inverter exhausts	5	8	13	18	18	18	18	18

Table 2: Summary of Mitigation Measures (continued)

Note: The proposed mitigation listed above is for inverters only (i.e., inverters are inside the enclosure and transformers are located outdoor.



Noise Barrier Dimensions for the Substation

Mitigation ID	Location	Face Density (Kg/m2)	Approximate Length (m)	Approximate Height (m)	Maximum Distance From Source (m)
Barrier_1	South of substation	20	88	6	45
Barrier_2	West of substation	20	61	6	29

Note:

Barrier-source distance is from the centre of the source



5.0 POINT OF RECEPTION (POR) SUMMARY

A total of eighty (80) representative impacted points of reception are identified in the area and are considered in this noise study. They include forty-nine (49) existing houses and thirty-one (31) vacant lots.

5.1 Existing Houses

Forty-nine (49) existing houses surrounding the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project are identified and considered in this assessment. They are presented in Table 3 and shown in Figures 8 through 12. The receptor location considered for all houses are at 1.5 m above the grade and 30 m away from the house as they are the worse impact location.

5.2 Vacant Lots

Thirty-one (31) vacant lots surrounding the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project are identified and considered in this assessment. They are presented in Table 3 and shown in Figures 8 through 12. The receptor location considered for all vacant lots are at 1.5 m above the grade as they are the worse impact location. As agreed in discussion with the MOE, vacant lots considered in this assessment are only those which experience 35 dBA or higher noise levels from the Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project (see **Appendix G**).

Zoning maps for the site are included in **Appendix B**. UTM coordinates for all modelled receptors are provided in Table 3.

	Doint of Decention Decerimtion	UTM Coordinate			
PORID	Point of Reception Description	Easting	Northing		
POR01	House 01	364166	4905882		
POR02	House 02	364246	4906051		
POR03	House 03	364328	4906180		
POR04	House 04	364435	4906341		
POR05	House 05	364535	4906443		
POR06	House 06	365333	4905535		
POR07	House 07	365290	4905358		
POR08	House 08	365438	4906947		
POR09	House 09	365824	4906970		
POR10	House 10	366076	4906749		
POR11	House 11	366177	4906667		
POR12	House 12	366036	4906191		
POR13	House 13	366475	4906165		
POR14	House 14	366841	4906227		
POR15	House 15	366749	4907702		
POR16	House 16	366878	4907989		
POR17	House 17	366607	4908072		

Table 3:	Points	of Reception	Summary
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POR ID ^[1]	Doint of Decention Decerimtion	UTM Coordinate			
	Point of Reception Description	Easting	Northing		
POR18	House 18	366624	4908373		
POR19	House 19	366652	4908460		
POR20	House 20	366655	4908543		
POR21	House 21	366582	4908917		
POR22	House 22	366648	4909043		
POR25	House 25	367336	4907996		
POR26	House 26	367424	4907955		
POR27	House 27	367640	4907903		
POR28	House 28	367636	4907974		
POR29	House 29	367669	4908129		
POR30	House 30	367948	4908749		
POR31	House 31	368275	4908124		
POR32	House 32	368313	4908138		
POR33	House 33	368762	4908115		
POR34	House 34	368477	4908346		
POR35	House 35	368826	4908612		
POR36	House 36	369362	4908338		
POR37	House 37	369758	4908368		
POR38	House 38	369924	4908274		
POR39	House 39	370056	4908282		
POR40	House 40	370552	4908625		
POR41	House 41	370697	4908843		
POR42	House 42	370666	4909184		
POR43	House 43	370488	4909382		
POR44	House 44	370378	4909505		
POR45	House 45	370413	4909228		
POR46	House 46	370365	4909176		
POR47	House 47	370771	4907280		
POR48	House 48	370350	4906948		
POR49	House 49	370307	4906548		
POR50	Vacant Lot Receptor 01	365719	4905791		
POR51	Vacant Lot Receptor 02	366287	4906347		
POR52	Vacant Lot Receptor 03	366249	4906424		
POR53	Vacant Lot Receptor 04	366794	4907844		
POR54	Vacant Lot Receptor 05	366765	4908063		
POR55	Vacant Lot Receptor 06	366663	4908145		
POR56	Vacant Lot Receptor 07	367428	4908096		
POR57	Vacant Lot Receptor 08	366635	4908622		
POR58	Vacant Lot Receptor 09	367016	4910060		
POR59	Vacant Lot Receptor 10	367266	4910349		
POR60	Vacant Lot Receptor 11	367411	4910357		
POR61	Vacant Lot Receptor 12	368878	4908170		
POR62	Vacant Lot Receptor 13	369605	4908239		
POR63	Vacant Lot Receptor 14	370422	4909603		
POR64	Vacant Lot Receptor 15	370395	4909646		

Table 3: Points of Reception Summary (continued)



	Deint of Recention Description	UTM C	oordinate
PORID	Point of Reception Description	Easting	Northing
POR65	Vacant Lot Receptor 16	368537	4906762
POR66	Vacant Lot Receptor 17	368747	4906779
POR67	Vacant Lot Receptor 18	368966	4906833
POR68	Vacant Lot Receptor 19	370294	4906668
POR69	Vacant Lot Receptor 20	370400	4906775
POR70	Vacant Lot Receptor 21	370645	4906988
POR71	Vacant Lot Receptor 22	366624	4908749
POR72	Vacant Lot Receptor 23	366705	4908451
POR73	Vacant Lot Receptor 24	366917	4907854
POR74	Vacant Lot Receptor 25	368426	4908150
POR75	Vacant Lot Receptor 26	369797	4908147
POR76	Vacant Lot Receptor 27	367133	4906729
POR77	Vacant Lot Receptor 28	367483	4906764
POR78	Vacant Lot Receptor 29	367503	4906637
POR79	Vacant Lot Receptor 30	367326	4906616
POR80	Vacant Lot Receptor 31	367154	4906611

Table 3: Points of Reception Summary (continued)



6.0 APPLICABLE GUIDELINES

The noise sources associated with the Project are classified as "stationary sources", under the MOE definitions. As referenced in the MOE's, "Basic Comprehensive Certificates of Approval User Guide" the applicable environmental noise guidelines are found in the MOE Publication NPC-205, "Sound Level Limits for Stationary Sources in Class 1 & 2 Areas (Urban)"and NPC-232, "Sound Level Limits for Stationary Sources in Class 3 Areas (Rural)".

The Project is located in a Class 3 Area, based on the classification defined in Publication NPC-232 by the MOE. A Class 3 area is defined as one which is dominated by natural sounds, around the clock, where there is infrequent human activity and no clearly audible stationary sources other than those being assessed. This is typical of a rural, agricultural area; rural, recreational (cottage, resort) area; wilderness area; or a community with minimal population.

The applicable MOE guideline states that one-hour sound exposures (L_{eq} (1hr)) from stationary noise sources in Class 3 (rural) areas shall not exceed that of the background, where the background is considered to be:

- the higher of 45 dBA or background noise, during daytime hours (0700 1900h); and,
- the higher of 40 dBA, or background noise, during the early evening (1900 2300h) and nighttime (2300 0700h).

The Project will be operating during the daytime hours, 7:00 to 19:00 during most of the year. However, in the summer months, the sun may set past 21:00, although the inverters will be well below 100% loading conditions. This means that during the summer the Project will be operating at the time the applicable performance limit changes from 45 dBA to 40 dBA. During night-time hours the transformers are energized and therefore, the modelled sound pressure levels were compared to the lower limit of 40 dBA.



7.0 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Offsite sound exposures due to the Project operations were modelled using Cadna/A, a computerized version of the ISO 9613 environmental noise propagation algorithms, produced by Datakustik GmbH. The modelling took into account the following factors:

- Source sound power level;
- Distance attenuation;
- Source-receptor geometry including heights and elevations;
- Surrounding topography;
- Ground and air (atmospheric) attenuation; and,
- Meteorological effects on noise propagation.

The elevation contours for the project site were taken from the Ontario Base Maps (OBM). The assessment of predictable worst-case facility impacts was completed through modelling as the facility is yet to be built. The combined Leq (1 hour) dBA values for the worst-case scenario were predicted at points of reception POR 1 through POR 71 from the individual significant sources as summarized in Appendix H. Noise contours have also been generated for the worst-case operation, and are shown in Figures 13 through 18. Key parameters included in the model are shown in Appendix I.

The noise study summary is provided in Table 4. Predicted sound levels at each point of reception are not expected to exceed the night-time criteria. Therefore, the Project is expected to be in compliance with MOE NPC-232 guidelines as presently configured.



Point of Reception ID	Point of Reception Description	Time Period	Total Sound Level at PoR [2]	Verified by Acoustic Audit ^[3]	Performance Limit ^[4]	Performance Limit Source [4]	Compliance with Performance Limit
			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR01	House 01	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR02	House 02	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR03	House 03	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR04	House 04	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR05	House 05	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR06	House 06	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR07	House 07	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
ID POR01 POR02 POR03 POR04 POR05 POR06 POR07 POR08 POR09 POR10 POR11		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR08	House 08	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR09	House 09	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR10	House 10	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
	House 11	Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
FUNIT		Evening	39	No	40		Yes

Table 4: Noise Study Summary



Point of Reception ID	Point of Reception Description	Time Period	Total Sound Level at PoR [2]	Verified by Acoustic Audit ^[3]	Performance Limit ^[4]	Performance Limit Source [4]	Compliance with Performance Limit
			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR12	House 12	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
POR12 POR13 POR14 POR15 POR16 POR17 POR18		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	30	No	45		Yes
POR13	House 13	Evening	30	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	30	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	29	No	45		Yes
POR14	House 14	Evening	29	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	29	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	34	No	45		Yes
POR15	House 15	Evening	34	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	34	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR16	House 16	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	34	No	45		Yes
POR17	House 17	Evening	34	No	40	D	Yes
Reception IDPoint of Reception IDPOR12POR12POR13POR14POR15POR16POR17POR18POR19POR20POR21POR22		Night-time	34	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR18	House 18	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR19	House 19	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR20	House 20	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	32	No	45		Yes
POR21	House 21	Evening	32	No	40	D	Yes
POR12 POR12 POR13 POR14 POR15 POR16 POR17 POR18 POR18 POR19 POR20 POR21 POR21 POR22		Night-time	32	No	40		Yes
POR22	House 22	Daytime	33	No	45	D	Yes



Point of Reception ID	Point of Reception Description	Time Period	Total Sound Level at PoR ^[2]	Verified by Acoustic Audit ^[3]	Performance Limit ^[4]	Performance Limit Source	Compliance with Performance Limit
			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Evening	33	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	33	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR23	House 23	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR24	House 24	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR25	House 25	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR26	House 26	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
POR26		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR27	House 27	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
POR26 POR27		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR28	House 28	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45	-	Yes
POR29	House 29	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45	-	Yes
POR30	House 30	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR31	House 31	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
POR32	House 32	Davtime	40	No	45	D	Yes



Point of Reception ID	Point of Reception Description	Time Period	Total Sound Level at PoR	Verified by Acoustic Audit ^[3]	Performance Limit ^[4]	Performance Limit Source [4]	Compliance with Performance Limit
			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Evening	40	No	40	-	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR33	House 33	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR34	House 34	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
Point of Reception IDPoPOR33IPOR33IPOR34IPOR35IPOR36IPOR37IPOR38IPOR39IPOR41IPOR42I		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR35	House 35	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR36	House 36	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR37	House 37	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR38	House 38	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR39	House 39	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
POR40	House 40	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR41	House 41	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR42	House 42	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes



Point of Reception ID	Point of Reception Description	Time Period	Total Sound Level at PoR [2]	Verified by Acoustic Audit ^[3]	Performance Limit ^[4]	Performance Limit Source [4]	Compliance with Performance Limit
			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR43	House 43	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR44	House 44	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR45	House 45	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR46	House 46	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	31	No	45		Yes
POR47	House 47	Evening	31	No	40	D	Yes
POR47 Hous		Night-time	31	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45		Yes
POR48	House 48	Evening	40	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
POR49	House 49	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR50	Vacant Lot Receptor 01	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR51	Vacant Lot Receptor 02	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	37	No	45		Yes
POR52	Vacant Lot Receptor 03	Evening	37	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	37	No	40		Yes
POR53	Vacant Lot Recentor 04	Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
10133		Evening	35	No	40		Yes



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			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR54	Vacant Lot Receptor 05	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
POR55	Vacant Lot Receptor 06	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	38	No	45		Yes
POR56	Vacant Lot Receptor 07	Evening	38	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
POR57	POR57 Vacant Lot Receptor 08	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	26	No	45		Yes
POR58	Vacant Lot Receptor 09	Evening	26	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	26	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	24	No	45		Yes
POR59	Vacant Lot Receptor 10	Evening	24	No	40	D	Yes
POR56 Va POR57 Va POR58 Va POR59 Va POR60 Va		Night-time	24	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	24	No	45		Yes
POR60	Vacant Lot Receptor 11	Evening	24	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	24	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR61	Vacant Lot Receptor 12	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR62	Vacant Lot Receptor 13	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45	_	Yes
POR63	Vacant Lot Receptor 14	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40	-	Yes
POR64	Vacant Lot Receptor 15	Daytime	35	No	45	D	Yes



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			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Evening	35	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR65	Vacant Lot Receptor 16	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR66	Vacant Lot Receptor 17	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR67	Vacant Lot Receptor 18	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR68	POR68 Vacant Lot Receptor 19	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR69	Vacant Lot Receptor 20	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	33	No	45		Yes
POR70	Vacant Lot Receptor 21	Evening	33	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	33	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	35	No	45		Yes
POR71	Vacant Lot Receptor 22	Evening	35	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	39	No	45		Yes
POR72	Vacant Lot Receptor 23	Evening	39	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	39	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	36	No	45		Yes
POR73	Vacant Lot Receptor 24	Evening	36	No	40	D	Yes
		Night-time	36	No	40		Yes
		Daytime	40	No	45	D	Yes
PUR/4	vacant Lot Receptor 25	Evening	40	No	40		Yes



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			(dBA)	(Yes/No)	(dBA/dBAI)	(C / M/ D)	(Yes/No)
		Night-time	40	No	40		Yes
POR75	Vacant Lot Receptor 26	Daytime	38	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	38	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	38	No	40		Yes
POR76	Vacant Lot Receptor 27	Daytime	33	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	33	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	33	No	40		Yes
POR77	Vacant Lot Receptor 28	Daytime	35	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	35	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	35	No	40		Yes
POR78	Vacant Lot Receptor 29	Daytime	34	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	34	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	34	No	40		Yes
POR79	Vacant Lot Receptor 30	Daytime	34	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	34	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	34	No	40		Yes
POR80	Vacant Lot Receptor 31	Daytime	33	No	45	D	Yes
		Evening	33	No	40		Yes
		Night-time	33	No	40		Yes

Table 4: Noise Study Summary (continued)

Notes :

1 Daytime occurs from 0700-1900h. Evening occurs from 1900h to 2300h. Night-time occurs from 2300-0700h

2 Worst-case cumulative sound level from all applicable sources operating.

3 Has an acoustic audit (as defined in Publication NPC-233) been conducted with source in place and operating?

4 Applicable worst-case NPC-205 / NPC-232 sound level limit.

5 Performance limit (aka guideline limit) based on following:

C = Calculated based on road traffic volumes in compliance with NPC-206 requirements.

M = Measured based on monitoring for a minimum 48 hour period, in accordance with NPC-233 requirements.

D = Default guideline minima per NCP-205 / NPC-232, as applicable (e.g., 50 dBA daytime for NPC-205)



8.0 CONCLUSIONS

A Noise Study Report has been completed for the proposed Sol-Luce Kingston Solar PV Energy Project in Kingston, Ontario to support a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) application, as required under Ontario Regulation 359/09. As presently configured, the proposed project is expected to be in compliance with MOE NPC-232 guidelines and therefore no additional noise mitigation is required.

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