NOTICE OF DRAFT REA DOCUMENTS RELEASE

By Southgate Solar LP

FIRST NOTICE OF SECOND PUBLIC MEETING

To be held by Southgate Solar LP regarding a Proposal to Engage in a Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: Southgate Solar ProjectProject Location: Within the Township of Southgate in the County of Grey.Dated at: The Township of Southgate this 19th day of January 2015.

Southgate Solar LP is planning to engage in a renewable energy project, in respect of which, the issuance of a renewable energy approval (REA) is required. The proposed Southgate Solar Project would be located on multiple privately-owned parcels in the Township of Southgate, in the County of Grey.

The proposal to engage in the Project and the Project itself are subject to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act* (Act) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with Sections 15 and 16 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which the Project is to be engaged in, is considered to be a Class 3 Solar Facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 50 MW. The Project Location and all components will be located within the project boundary area as shown in the map. The Draft Project Description Report

provides an overview of the proposed Project including location, components, activities and potential negative environmental effects.

Meeting Information and Location:

A public meeting was held on July 17 2014, in order to provide information to and consult with community members, stakeholder groups, First Nations and Métis communities and government agencies. Southgate Solar LP is hosting a second public meeting subsequent to releasing the draft REA documents for public review, as required by the Regulation. Copies of the draft documents will be made available at the meeting for viewing.

| DATE: | Friday, | March | 20 | 2015 |
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- TIME: Between 6pm and 8pm
- PLACE: Egremont Optimist Club, 392137 Grey Road 109, Main Street Holstein, Ontario

Documents for Public Inspection:

Draft copies of the REA documents have been prepared. They are available for public inspection as of January 19, 2015 at the following locations:

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The proposed site for the project is located on lands within the Township of Southgate in the County of Grey.

- Township of Southgate Main Office, 185667 Grey County Road 9, Dundalk
- Grey County Main Office, 595 9th Avenue E., Owen Sound
- Southgate Library, 80 Proton Street West, Dundalk
- Holstein General Store, 392046 Grey Road 109, Holstein
- Proponent's website at <u>http://www.samsungrenewableenergy.ca/southgate</u>.

Draft reports making up the REA package include:

- Project Description Report
- Construction Plan Report
- Design and Operations Report
- Decommissioning Plan Report
- Noise Study Report

Project Contact and Information:

To learn more about the project proposal and upcoming public meeting, or to communicate questions, comments and/or concerns, please contact:

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- Natural Heritage Assessment
- Water Assessment Report and Water Body Report
- Archaeological Assessment (Stage 1 and 2)
- Heritage Assessment Report