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Ministère des Richesses naturelles et des Forêts



October 31, 2014

Daniel Choi Windsor Solar LP 2050 Derry Road West 2nd Floor Mississauga ON L5N 0B9 Canada

RE: NHA Confirmation for Windsor Solar Project

Dear Daniel Choi:

In accordance with the Ministry of the Environment's (MOE's) Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) Regulation (O.Reg.359/09), the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has reviewed the Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study - Windsor Solar Project - Final Submission – October 29, 2014 for the Windsor Solar Project in Windsor Ontario submitted by Daniel Choi on October 29, 2014.

In accordance with Section 28(2) and 38(2)(b) of the REA regulation, MNR provides the following confirmations following review of the natural heritage assessment:

- 1. The MNR confirms that the determination of the existence of natural features and the boundaries of natural features was made using applicable evaluation criteria or procedures established or accepted by MNR.
- The MNR confirms that the site investigation and records review were conducted using applicable evaluation criteria or procedures established or accepted by MNR, if no natural features were identified.
- The MNR confirms that the evaluation of the significance or provincial significance
 of the natural features was conducted using applicable evaluation criteria or
 procedures established or accepted by MNR.
- 4. The MNR confirms that the project location is not in a provincial park or conservation reserve.
- 5. The MNR confirms that the environmental impact study report has been prepared in accordance with procedures established by the MNR.

In accordance with Section 28(3)(c) and 38(2)(c), MNR also offers the following comments in respect of the project.

This confirmation letter is valid for the project as proposed in the natural heritage assessment and environmental impact study, including those sections describing the Environmental Effects Monitoring Plan and Construction Plan Report. Should any changes be made to the proposed project that would alter the NHA, MNR may need to undertake additional review of the NHA.

Where specific commitments have been made by the applicant in the NHA/EIS with respect to project design, construction, rehabilitation, operation, mitigation, or monitoring, MNR expects that these commitments will be considered in MOE's Renewable Energy Approval decision and, if approved, be implemented by the applicant.

In accordance with S.12 (1) of the Renewable Energy Approvals Regulation, this letter must be included as part of your application submitted to the MOE for a Renewable Energy Approval.

Please be aware that your project may be subject to additional legislative approvals as outlined in the Ministry of Natural Resources' *Approvals and Permitting Requirements Document*. These approvals are required prior to the construction of your renewable energy facility.

If you wish to discuss any part of this confirmation or additional comments provided, please contact Ruth Lindenburger at 705-755-1363 or ruth.lindenburger@ontario.ca

Sincerely,

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Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

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