



Program Administrator's Project Recommendation

October 8, 2024

Community Solar Program - Docket No. UM 1930

On January 11, 2022, in Order No. 22-007, the Commission permitted the delegation of Commission authority to the Community Solar Program Administrator (PA) to grant noncontroversial project pre-certifications, waivers, extensions, and amendments. Under the permitted delegation of authority, Staff will post the PA's project recommendation to UM 1930 with a comment period of two weeks. If no comments in opposition are received prior to the end of the comment period, the recommendation will go into effect. If comments in opposition are received prior to the end of the comment period, the recommendation will not go into effect and the matter will be referred to the Commission for a decision at the next available public meeting.

Staff posts the PA's recommendation to grant a four-month Certification deadline extension for the following project:

PP-2020-88 (Perrydale Solar LLC)

The PA has reviewed the project Certification deadline extension request and has recommended granting the extension. That extension request is included below. Staff is very concerned that PacifiCorp may have unilaterally delayed interconnecting the project by over one year due to equipment lead times and crew availability. Regardless, Staff finds the PA's recommendation to be noncontroversial and that granting the extension may be delegated to the PA. Stakeholders in opposition of the PA's recommendation should post comments to UM 1930 by October 22, 2024.

To Submit Public Comment:

Stakeholders can submit written comments on the PA's recommendation by email to puc.filingcenter@puc.oregon.gov. Please email puc.hearings@puc.oregon.gov to be added to the UM 1930 docket service list and receive notifications in the UM 1930 docket.

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Project Amendment Review and Recommendation

The Oregon Community Solar Program Administrator (PA) has reviewed the amendment request of the project described below and recommends that the Certification deadline be extended by four months.

Project Information

Project ID: PP-2020-88

Project Name: Perrydale Solar

Project Manager: Perrydale Solar LLC

Subscription Manager: Common Energy LLC

Utility Service Area: PAC

Project Site Address: Perrydale Road, Dallas, OR 97338

Project Size (kW-AC): 999.99

Carveout-eligible: No

Current Program Status and Date Achieved: Pre-certified, 04/15/2022

Project Description

Perrydale Solar is a 999.99 kW-AC project located in Dallas, Oregon, in Polk County. The Project Manager entity is controlled by Evergreen Renewables. Outreach and customer management are conducted by Common Energy LLC.

Review Summary

Date Review Completed: 9/27/2024

Nature of the Amendment Request: Extend Certification Deadline

PA Recommendation: Approve

Review Notes

Current Certification Deadline: August 5, 2024

Recommended Certification Deadline: December 18, 2024

The Project Manager (PM) requests a four-month extension to the Certification deadline due to an amendment to the Project's Commercial Operation Date (COD). While the PA is concerned about the additional delay to the COD, it finds the project's need for an extension is due to the project not yet meeting subscription requirements for low-income and residential participants. The PA also understands that the project has intentionally not yet met Certification subscription requirements because of its concern that the COD would be delayed further, and its subscribers would wait too long to begin realizing benefits. According to the PM, the utility issued another amendment to the Interconnection Agreement due to equipment lead times and crew availability, extending the COD date from August 8, 2024, to October 4, 2024. The Project previously requested an extension to the original Certification deadline of October 15, 2023, for the same reason. The Subscription Manager has started participant enrollment and construction of the solar installation is complete.

Attachments Included

The extension request received from the Project Manager is attached.

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Perrydale Solar LLC

September 16, 2024

To: Jess Siegel
Program Administrator
Oregon Community Solar Program

RE: Perrydale Solar, 530 Perrydale Rd, Dallas OR 97338

Subject: Certification Deadline Extension Request

The following is an update to the construction progress on the Perrydale Solar project:

- All Municipal Permits have been obtained for construction.
- The Solar System Installation has been completed and is waiting for PacificCorp utility Interconnection work to be completed.
- Subscriber Participant Enrollment: Common Energy's initial group of subscribers has been submitted to Oregon for sizing and approval. Once the data is received participants will be added to Perrydale Solar. Participant enrollment still needs to be completed.

Perrydale Solar is requesting an extension to the Oregon Community Solar Program Project Certification deadline date due to the following reasons below:

- While enrollment still needs to be completed Perrydale Solar is hesitant to enroll subscribers without more certainty of the COD date upon successful Utility Interconnection.
- Perrydale Solar does not want to offer a poor customer experience by enrolling subscribers only to have them wait on Utility delays for interconnection and COD.

- PacifiCorp Utility had an original CO date of July 21st 2023 with Perrydale Solar and issued an amendment extending the date to August 9th, 2024, due to Equipment lead times and Crew availability. On July 15th, 2024, PacifiCorp Utility again extended the CO date to October 4th, 2024.
- Due to the continued and anticipated delays by PacificCorp Utility, Perrydale Solar expects to have the certification requirements completed by December 5th, 2024.

For the reasons stated above Perrydale Solar kindly requests an extension to the Oregon Community Solar Certification deadline be dated December 18th, 2024.

Sincerely,
Ezra Jones/Member


Perrydale Solar LLC