



January 22, 2021

To: Parties Entitled To Notice (Attached Service List)

From: Jessie Klinck, SunCommon Commercial Project Coordinator

Re: 45-Day Notice to Persons and Entities Entitled to Notice Pursuant to Public Utility Commission 5.106 and 30 V.S.A. § 8010, for the rbTechnologies, LLC 44.2kW Net-Metered Ground Mounted Solar Facility to be located at 1970 Route 14 South, East Montpelier, VT

To whom it may concern,

I. Introduction & Background

We at SunCommon are pleased to provide you with this 45-day Notice for rbTechnologies, LLC (the “Applicant”) in advance of filing an application for a Certificate of Public Good (“CPG”) with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“PUC”) for a 44.2kW net-metered ground-mounted solar facility (the “Project”) located at 1970 Route 14 South, East Montpelier, VT (the “Site”). The Parcel ID for the Site is 09-034.010. This notice is provided in accordance with Commission Rule 5.106(C). The Applicant plans to file the complete Net-Metering Application in March or April 2021, allowing necessary time to discuss the details of the Project with neighbors, town and state officials, and other interested parties.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 5.106(C), the following letter includes information to understand the overall Project and its benefits and impacts, including the location of the facility, a site plan, and a description of the proposed Project and equipment to be used. Recipients of this Notice may file inquires or comments about the Project at the Address identified below, in addition to the opportunity to file comments with the Commission once the Application is filed as described below.

II. Commission Rule 5.106 Notice

The state permitting process for net-metering solar projects of this size requires the Applicant to provide notice to certain parties 45 days in advance of a formal filing with the PUC. These parties include:

- Municipal legislative bodies and regional planning commissions in the community where the Project will be located
- Landowners of property adjoining the Project Site
- Host landowner
- Department of Public Service
- Agency of Natural Resources
- Natural Resources Board, if the proposed Project is located on a parcel subject to an Act 250 Land Use Permit
- Division of Historic Preservation
- Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets
- The Commission
- The serving electric utility (Green Mountain Power Corporation)



Please send all inquiries or comments during this 45-Day Notice period to SunCommon:

SunCommon
Attn: Jessie Klinck
442 US Route 2
Waterbury, VT 05676
802-882-8894

Recipients will also have the opportunity to file comments with the PUC once the full application is filed. The public will have 30 days to file comments with the PUC once the application is determined to be administratively complete. For additional information regarding the PUC's processes, including your right to participate in the proceeding, please refer to the "Citizen's Guide to the Public Utility Commission." This guide may be found on the PUC's website at <https://puc.vermont.gov/document/citizen-guide-public-utilitycommission>. The PUC's website also includes guidance on public participation, which may be found at <https://puc.vermont.gov/document/public-participation-and-intervention-proceedings-publicutility-Commission>. The parties listed above will receive a copy of the Applicant's application when it is filed with the PUC. The application will contain all information required by PUC Rule 5.106.

III. Project Description

As proposed, the Project will include (1) 44.2 kW ground mounted solar facility to be located at a commercial property in East Montpelier. The solar facility will interconnect with GMP's electric distribution system.

The Project will be set back approximately 42.2 feet from Route 14 South, the closest municipal road in East Montpelier. It will be set back approximately 28.5 feet from Carleton Road. It will be located at least 150.5 feet from the closest abutting property lines. The Applicant will not need to remove any trees or vegetation to accommodate the project.

A preliminary site plan, which shows existing conditions and the proposed Project's footprint, is shown in Exhibit 1 . The system will generally be comprised of the following:

- 1 ground-mounted solar facility consisting of 2 arrays totaling approximately 132 solar panels comprised of dark anti-reflective glass, installed upon galvanized steel racking systems
- 4 string inverters mounted to the steel racking system
- Electrical metering and solar service disconnect mounted to a new AC Equipment Board located on the northeast backside of the array.
- New conduit and electrical wiring to be mounted on the back of the array and then run through newly trenched conduit runs to the point of interconnection



IV. Preliminary Impact Assessment

i. Aesthetics

The Project Site is located on the property north of the office building and parking area, as seen in Exhibit 1. The Project Site is located in the Residential and Commercial District of East Montpelier and is surrounded by dense mixed species forestland, which thoroughly screens the Project Site from abutting properties to the east and south. No trees will be removed to accommodate the Project, nor will it adversely impact the aesthetic, scenic and natural beauty of the area.

ii. Environmental Impacts

Upon initial review of the Project Site on ANR's Natural Resources Atlas there appears to be no Rare and Irreplaceable Natural Areas (or significant natural communities), Necessary Wildlife Habitat, or Endangered Species located within immediate proximity to the Project Site. Further, there appears to be no wetlands, vernal pools, or wetland buffers near the Project Site. The preliminary site plans have been shared with ANR's Wetland Division for further review.

iii. Historical & Archeological Impacts

The Project Site will be shared with the Division of Historic Preservation ("DHP") to review proximity to any archeologically sensitive sites. Initial reviews of the National and State Registers of Historic Places indicate there are no historically significant buildings or monuments in proximity to the Project.

iv. Act 250 Land Use Permit

The Project Site is not subject to Act 250 Land Use Permit.

V. Conclusion

The Applicant and SunCommon look forward to submitting the full application to the Commission for consideration of a Certificate of Public Good.

Sincerely,

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rbTechnologies, LLC Solar Project- 45 Day Advance Notice Service List

Judith C. Whitney, Clerk
Vermont Public Utilities Commission
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

June E. Tierney, Commissioner
Vermont Department of Public Service
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2601

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources
1 National Life Drive
Davis Building, 2nd Floor
Montpelier, VT 05620-3901

Natural Resources Board
1 National Life Drive
Dewey Building
Montpelier, VT 05620-3201

Division of Historic Preservation
1 National Life Drive
Davis Building, 6th Floor
Montpelier, VT 05620-3901

Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets
116 State St
Montpelier, VT 05620-2901

Green Mountain Power Corp
163 Acorn Lane
Colchester, VT 05446

Town of East Montpelier
8 East Montpelier Rd
East Montpelier, VT 05148

East Montpelier Town Clerk
40 Kelton Rd
P.O. Box 157
East Montpelier, VT 05651

Central VT Regional Planning Commission 29
Main Street
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Montpelier, VT 05602

WHEELER DEVELOPMENT LLC 2075 VT
RTE 14 S
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BARRE, VT 05641

BENNETT FAMILY TRUST LIFE C/O R
BENNET AND S KIRK 80 CARLETON BLVD
EAST MONTPELIER, VT 05651



(132) LONGI 435W MODULES
 57.42 kWp/44.2 kW
 (3) SE 11400H & (1) SE 10000H

APA READY RACK GROUND MOUNT
 35° TILT
 AZIMUTH 197°
 DC CONDUIT RUN (BURIED) APPROX. 25' BETWEEN ARRAYS.

AC EQUIPMENT BOARD MOUNTED ON NORTH EAST
 BACKSIDE OF ARRAY WITH (4) SOLAR EDGE INVERTERS, (1) AC
 COMBINER PANEL, (1) AC DISCONNECT SWITCH
 AC CONDUIT RUN (BURIED) APPROX. 410' TO EXISTING SERVICE EQUIPMENT

EXISTING SERVICE EQUIPMENT
 ON WEST SIDE OF BUILDING
 GMP ACCOUNT: 19455100008
 SINGLE PHASE, 240V

SERVICE MAY BE UPGRADED AT FUTURE DATE



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 RUBIN BENNETT
 1970 VT RT 14 S
 EAST MONTPELIER, VT
 WASHINGTON COUNTY
 09-034.010
 3.44 ACRES COMM BLDG

PROJECT LOG			
DB	V#	DATE	NOTES
OKP	1	1/20/21	PRELIM

SITE PLAN
 SCALE: 1/64" = 1'-0"

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