

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Petition of SMS Solar Array, LLC for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 248 and 8010, for a 150 kW group net-metered solar electric power system in the St. Albans, Vermont

Case No. 21-____-NMP

**PETITION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD
PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. §§ 248 AND 8010**

SMS Solar Array, LLC (“SMS” or “Petitioner”) hereby requests that the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) issue Petitioner a certificate of public good (“CPG”), pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 248 and 8010 and Commission Rule 5.100, authorizing the construction and operation of a 150 kW group net-metered solar facility to be located at 428 S. Main Street, St. Albans, Vermont (the “Project”). In support of this Petition, SMS represents as follows:

I. Petitioner

SMS Solar Array, LLC
7506 Ethan Allen Highway
St. Albans, VT 05478
Contact: Will Veve
Vermont Business ID#: 0387488

II. Host Landowner

Gregg and Patricia Laber
7506 Ethan Allen Highway
St. Albans, VT 05478

III. Adjoining Landowners

Enclosed with this Petition, please find the Adjoining-Landowner List compiled in accordance with Rule 5.107(C)(3).

IV. Advance-Notice Certification

Enclosed with this Petition, please find Petitioner’s certification that the advance-notice requirements of Rule 5.107(B) were satisfied.

V. Project Description, Site Plan, and Elevation Drawings

An overall Project description is provided in the Prefiled Testimony of William Veve. A site plan and elevation drawings accompany Ian Jewkes's Prefiled Testimony as Exhibit PET-IAJ-2.

VI. Act 250 Land Use Permit

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

VII. Town and Regional Plans

Relevant sections of the town and regional plans are provided with the Prefiled Testimony of Will Veve as Exhibits PET-WFV-3 and PET-WFV-4, respectively.

VIII. Wetland Delineation

Fitzgerald Environmental Associates, LLC delineated wetlands on the Project site, as discussed in the Prefiled Testimony of Joe Bartlett.

IX. Response to Advance-Notice Comments

The Prefiled Testimony of William Veve addresses comments received during the Advance-Notice period.

X. Rate Adjusters

Petitioner elects to transfer the Project's renewable energy credits ("REC") to the interconnecting utility. As a result, the Project receives a REC Adjuster of \$0.00/kWh.

The Project is a Category II Net-Metering System based on its capacity (150 kW) and proposed location on a designated preferred site. Category II systems receive a Siting Adjuster of \$0.00/kWh.

XI. Prefiled Testimony and Exhibits

The following prefiled testimony and exhibits are enclosed with this Petition:

William F. Veve – Mr. Veve describes the Project, aspects of construction and operation, and compliance with certain criteria under Section 248.

Ian A. Jewkes – Mr. Jewkes describes Project site work and design elements and addresses potential impacts concerning waste disposal, soil erosion, sound, and agricultural soils.

Joe H. Bartlett – Mr. Bartlett’s addresses the Project’s potential impacts on environmental resources.

XII. Affidavits

Pursuant to Rule 5.107(C)(7), included with this Petition are affidavits from each witness sponsoring testimony and/or exhibits in this filing.

XIII. Proposed Findings of Fact and Certificate of Public Good

Proposed Findings of Fact and a Certificate of Public Good are enclosed herewith.

DATED at Burlington, Vermont, this 18th day of August, 2021.

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