

December 16, 2025

**Re: Novus Buck Solar LLC's Proposed 4.99 MW Solar Project in Newport Town
45-Day Notice of Petition to be filed with the Vermont Public Utility Commission**

We are writing to follow up on the advance notice you may have recently received about the proposed solar project to be located at the former gravel pit off Buck Road. Vermont Electric Cooperative (VEC) would like to clarify our role in the project and make ourselves available should you have any questions or concerns.

Under Vermont law, electric utilities are required to procure increasing amounts of renewable energy to meet the state's Renewable Energy Standards. To meet these requirements, VEC enters into Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with local renewable energy developers. VEC currently has PPAs with operating projects in Grand Isle, Hinesburg, Alburgh, and Jericho. Most recently, VEC entered into an agreement with Novus Buck Solar, LLC to purchase the renewable energy that would be produced by the proposed Newport Town project—should it receive all necessary state and local permits. Novus, as the project developer, is responsible for securing those permits and for constructing and operating the facility in full compliance with them. VEC's goal in these partnerships is to secure cost-effective, locally generated renewable energy at appropriately sited locations.

The state's permitting process provides an important opportunity for public participation and input. If you would like to learn more, project details are available on the Vermont Public Utility Commission's electronic case management system at www.epuc.vermont.gov. Please search by Case #25-3051-AN and select "All Other Documents" to view a summary and site map.

We encourage neighbors and community members to review the materials and share any questions or feedback early in the process. You are welcome to reach out to VEC if we can provide additional information. You may also contact the project developer directly: Alex Bravakis. Novus 242 Solar, LLC. alex@novusenergydev.com. (347) 891-0296.

Sincerely,



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