

Dear Mr. Sobhy;

I respectfully request that you and your staff reconsider my request for a waiver.

Respectfully, if I may; it is true that Lake County was awarded the original FIT. I became aware of the award in late April. Several trips to Lakeview and numerous phone calls resulted in an official meeting of the commission in early September. During these special sessions, I was asked to help them resolve the finance issue surrounding other onerous proposals. My proposal was accepted, based on the fact I had made calls to all vendors and all support teams, asking if they could meet the deadline of October 6, 2011. When the responses came back unanimously "Yes", I accepted the contract from the county.

As of this writing, I have personally spent more than \$99,000 on this project. All of the bits and pieces of the system are either on a truck or on the ground. The support posts for the dual-axis trackers are poured in concrete and ready to accept the equipment. The electrical connections have been purchased and scheduled to be placed on Friday, the 30th, tomorrow. The interconnection request has been placed with PacifiCorp.

We are humbly asking for minimal amount of time to actually complete the work we have started.

We are respectfully asking that you consider the work that has been accomplished and not the county's willingness, ability or inability to finance the project. Such a basis for denial is a moot point – we have financed the project and we are 80 percent complete. Please consider that we have PAID for all of the equipment and in a perfect world, working 24 hours a day for the remainder of the time available, we could actually meet the deadline. We are humbly, respectfully requesting enough time to finish the work in real time.

In closing, I was personally heartened by the email reflecting the granting of a waiver for another contractor on the docket, providing a recommendation for a waiver to January 31, 2012 to seek an additional \$6,000 for a down-payment to complete a loan needed to simply fund and start a 10-kilowatt project. I am seeking a waiver to complete a pair of 10-kilowatt projects in Lake County. Mr. Sobhy, please recognize that we are nearly finished with both of these projects and funding is a non-issue. We just need a bit of time to complete the two projects.

Sincerely and respectfully,

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