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Public Utility Commission of Oregon 550 Capitol St NE, Suite 215 PO Box 2148 Salem, OR 97308-2148

Re: Request for waiver of 12-month installation deadline for solar photovoltaic system Pacific Power Solar Incentive Program (Tracking #s 5713373 & 5713381)

UM 1538

## To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to OAR 860-084-0000(3), Solwatt, LLC is requesting the Commission's waiver of the 12-month deadline to allow for a six-month extension for two medium-scale systems awarded capacity into the program through the bid system on October 12, 2012. The current deadline is October 12, 2013.

A waiver is necessary due to a shortened construction period caused by prolonged utility interconnection application review (in excess of four calendar months). Solwatt submitted the completed interconnection application with interconnection application fee to the utility on 10/31/12; review was completed by the utility on 3/19/13.

As a consequence, the project is now presented with an extremely aggressive construction deadline that allows for little-to-no delays in permitting, materials shortage, procurement delays, or other common construction contingencies.

The project has been contracted with a solar installer and solar modules have been purchased. As of this writing, drawings for utility approval and permit are being finalized for submittal with construction planned to commence in August of this year. While this project is actively moving forward, any unforeseen events or delays mentioned in the previous paragraph may push finalization of this project beyond the current October 12, 2013 deadline.

An additional six-month grace period will insure that the project will not lose its expected source of financing through the incentive pilot program due to delays outside the project's control, i.e. prolonged interconnection review.

Thank you for your consideration of this extension request. Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information at 541 376 8107

Sincerely,

Kent and Laura Madison Owners