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Oregon Public Utilities Commission
Attn: Filing Center
3930 Fairview Industrial Drive SE
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Salem, OR 97308

Re: Request for waiver of twelve-month installation deadline for Oregon Solar Photovoltaic Pilot Program (OAR 860-084-120) project numbers 90001315, 90001313 and 90001306

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to OAR 860-084-0000(3), Malheur County Fair Board is requesting a waiver of the 12 month deadline to allow for a six-month extension for three systems (two – 10 and one 6 (3 meters) awarded capacity into the program on April 18, 2013. The current deadline is April 18, 2014.

The Malheur County Fair Board was approved to participate in the Idaho Power's Oregon Solar Incentive Program. This began as a student project as there were 2 students working on this program from Treasure Valley Community College Solar Class. They researched and designed all three projects. They felt very strongly they could get a grant to fund the projects. Unfortunately, after working on this for months they could not obtain a grant. The Fair Board does not qualify for any grants or tax credits due to being a county fairgrounds. We then began working with a solar company in Boise, Idaho who felt they could find an investor and continue with the project – after several months of working on this, getting near our deadline, they decided to not proceed.

We are now working with Paul Conrad from Site Energy out of Hailey, Idaho. He has an investor and is ready to begin work on the projects but with the April 18, 2014 deadline he does not have enough time to complete the projects. Site Energy was the contractor with the City of Ontario for their solar program and comes highly recommended.

A 6 month extension will insure the projects will not lose its expected source of financing through the incentive pilot program.

Thank you for your consideration of the extension request. Please feel free to contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

/s/

Janeen Kressly
Manager