



Program Administrator's Project Recommendation

February 23, 2024

Community Solar Program - Docket No. UM 1930

On January 11, 2022, in Order No. 22-007, the Commission permitted the delegation of Commission authority to the Community Solar Program Administrator (PA) to grant noncontroversial project pre-certifications, waivers, extensions, and amendments. Under the permitted delegation of authority, Staff will post the PA's project recommendation to UM 1930 with a comment period of two weeks. If no comments in opposition are received prior to the end of the comment period, the recommendation will go into effect. If comments in opposition are received prior to the end of the comment period, the recommendation will not go into effect and the matter will be referred to the Commission for a decision at the next available public meeting.

Staff posts the PA's recommendation to grant a six-month Certification deadline extension for the following project:

PGE-2020-10 (Sheridan Solar)

The PA has reviewed the project Certification deadline extension request and has recommended granting the extension. That extension request is included below. Staff finds the PA's recommendation to be noncontroversial and that granting the extension may be delegated to the PA. Stakeholders in opposition of the PA's recommendation should post comments to UM 1930 by March 8, 2024.

To Submit Public Comment:

Stakeholders can submit written comments on the PA's recommendation by email to puc.filingcenter@puc.oregon.gov. Please email puc.hearings@puc.oregon.gov to be added to the UM 1930 docket service list and receive notifications in the UM 1930 docket.

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Project Amendment Review and Recommendation

The Oregon Community Solar Program Administrator (PA) has reviewed the amendment request of the project described below and recommends that the Certification deadline be extended by six months.

Project Information

Project ID: PGE-2020-10

Project Name: Sheridan Solar

Project Manager: Sheridan Solar, LLC

Subscription Manager: Arcadia Community Solar, LLC

Utility Service Area: PGE

Project Site Address: 45.10238333N, 123.41000000W

Project Size (kW-AC): 3,000

Carveout-eligible: No

Current Program Status and Date Achieved: Pre-certified 05/25/2022

Project Description

Sheridan Solar is a 3,000 kW-AC project located in Sheridan, Oregon, in Yamhill County. The Project Manager entity is controlled by Cedar Solar Holdings, LLC. Outreach and customer management are conducted by Arcadia Community Solar, LLC.

Review Summary

Date Review Completed: 02/13/2024

Nature of the Amendment Request: Extend Certification Deadline

PA Recommendation: Approve

Review Notes

Current Certification Deadline: November 25, 2023

Recommended Certification Deadline: May 25, 2024

The Project Manager has achieved all Certification requirements except for the 10% low-income enrollment requirement. The project has obtained 5% of the 10% required enrollment. The Project Manager and the Low-income Facilitator for the Program are working to obtain the final 5% of Subscribers. The Project Manager initially requested Certification with a low-income waiver prior to their Certification deadline but has withdrawn their certification request and waiver and is requesting an extension instead, based on the PA's recommendation. The PA did not want to set the precedent that projects could be Certified without meeting the Low-income requirement. The six-month extension will allow for the additional time needed to complete participant enrollment. The project is in good standing and the PA recommends granting this amendment and extending the Certification deadline by six months.

Attachments Included

The extension request received from the Project Manager is attached.

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February 13, 2024

VIA EMAIL (administrator@oregoncsp.org)

Program Administrator
Oregon Community Solar Program

RE: Certification Deadline Extension Requests

Dear Program Administrator,

SolRiver Capital, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, on behalf of the Sheridan Solar Project (“**Sheridan**” or the “**Project**”) and Sheridan Solar, LLC (the “**Project Manager**”), hereby kindly submits this letter to (1) request a six (6) month extension to the Project's Certification Deadline, and (2) provide notice that our Certification and Waiver submission discussed below has been withdrawn.

Progress to Date. Sheridan is fully built, interconnected, and is currently delivering energy to the grid. The Project Manager has enrolled 86% of the subscribers required for the Project. The only thing holding up Certification of the Project as a whole is satisfying the requirement that 10% of the Project be subscribed to Low-Income (“LI”) Subscribers. Currently, the Project Manager has obtained 5% of the 10% required. The Project Manager and Community Energy Project (“CEP”) are actively working to obtain the final 5% of LI Subscribers, which is expected to be completed in the coming months.



Sheridan Solar as of December 11, 2023

Certification Deadline Extension Request. We request that that Certification Deadline be extended to May 1, 2024. The requested extension is reasonable because (i) the Project is operating, currently delivering decarbonized energy to the grid, (ii) the Project Manager has enrolled 86% of project subscription capacity to date, with 5% project capacity enrolled by LI subscribers, (iii) the Project Manager has prepared and supplied all necessary Certification materials with the exception of 5% capacity of LI subscribers remaining, and (iv) continues to work with Arcadia (the “Subscriber Manager”) and CEP to timely submit the remaining LI subscribers for enrollment.

Reason for Delay. The LI subscriber enrollment process has taken longer to complete than anticipated. The Project Manager, Subscriber Manager, and CEP are continuing to work to reach the required LI subscribed capacity.

Realistic Timeline to Achieve Commercial Operations. We expect that Sheridan will reach commercial operations by May 1, 2024. According to CEP, enrollment of the remaining LI subscribers can be accomplished within 90 days of December 15, 2023.

Waiver Withdrawal. The Project Manager submitted a Certification Deadline extension request to the Oregon Community Solar Program Administrator on November 21, 2023 prior to the Certification Deadline of November 25, 2023. The Project Manager then submitted Sheridan for Certification with a General Waiver request on November 27, 2023. The Project Manager withdrew this Certification and waiver request on February 1, 2024.

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that the Public Utility Commission grant the extension of Certification Deadline described herein.

Brandon Conard



As Manager, on behalf of

Sheridan Solar, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company