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October 15, 2009

Mr. Christopher Meyer CEC Project Manager Attn: Docket No. 08-AFC-13 California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512 Mr. Jim Stobaugh BLM Project Manager Attn: Docket No. 08-AFC-13 Bureau of Land Management P.O. Box 12000 Reno, NV 89520



RE: SES Solar One Project Applicant's Responses to CEC and BLM Requests During the September 16th Workshop

Dear Mr. Meyer and Mr. Stobaugh,

Tessera Solar hereby submits responses to comments or requests from CEC and BLM Staff during the September 16th Solar One Workshop pertaining to Air Quality and Land Use. Please find the Applicant's responses attached. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

Felicia L. Bellows Vice President of Development



Memorandum

Date: October 15, 2009

To: Mr. Christopher Meyer, Mr. Jim Stobaugh, CEC and BLM Staff

From: SES Solar Two

Subject: Additional Data Requests Made during the Issues Resolution and Data Request Workshop - Air Quality

In esponse to a request that the Applicant provide additional information on the planned use of geotextiles to stabilize the application of the Soiltac® product, URS, on behalf of the Applicant, is providing the following information:

Please keep in mind that as the engineering designs advance, additional details regarding the application of a geotextile will become available. As this happens, the Applicant will forward additional information to BLM and CEC Staff.

The recommendation was to use a geo mat about 6" deep. To go into further detail, then Soiltac® would be mixed-in to a 6" depth on top of the geo mat. It would be best to use a disc to incorporate the product in to avoid tearing up the geo mat. The disc radius would have to be less than 6", or the gauge wheels need to be adjustable in order for the discs to go to a certain depth in order not to hit the geo mat. The strength gain may not be as even using a disc to mix-in, however, by using a tiller, the geo mat would most likely be more subject to being disturbed or ripped. Strength gains will most likely be more relevant in the upper portions of the mix-in because of the way the disc method mixes soils in a side to side motion.

Additionally, geo fibers may be a better alternative, depending on Agency preference. If so and geo fibers are a better option, then fibers could be incorporated below a 6" depth. The Applicant will continue to work with CEC, BLM and other resource agencies to determine an approporiate method of soil stabilization.

The CEC also requested correspondence, or a record of conversation, with the Mojave District Air Quality Management District and the County of San Bernardino. A table showing the communications performed to date, as well as copies of email correspondence are provided behind this memorandum.

Communication Record for the Determination that No New Projects Needed to be Included in a Cumulative Analysis for the Solar One Project

Date	Contact Person	Approach	Content
March 27, 2009	Samuel (Sam) J. Oktay, PE Air Quality Engineer Mojave Desert AQMD 14306 Park Avenue Victorville, CA 92392 760-245-1661 Office soktay@mdaqmd.ca.gov	phone call	Samuel Oktay confirmed that there are no new sources within 6 miles of the proposed Solar One site. Therefore, the cumulative analysis is not required for this project.
July 2, 2009	Samuel (Sam) J. Oktay, Mojave Desert AQMD	email	"We, the MDAQMD, are not aware of any new sources in that area. The only possible exception might be portable sources that are doing temporary work in the area; however, we are not aware of any portable sources in the area either." (see Attachment 1)
July 14, 2009	Carrie Hyke, AICP, Principal Planner San Bernardino County Land Use Services Dept. Advance Planning Division Environmental & Mining Section Tel. 909-387-4371 chyke@lusd.sbcounty.gov	email and phone call	The San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department started to work on the request to see if there are any new major projects in six mile radius around the Solar One project area. (see Attachment 2)
August 14, 2009	Carrie Hyke, AICP, Principal Planner San Bernardino County Land Use Services Dept.	email	After receiving the extracted data from permit tracking system in San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department, the County checked the six mile radius around the project area and only found one project in the system. (see Attachment 3) The relevant information from the permit is below:

			leased land with an	Rinker materials- twin ture plan to re-permit a proximately 72 acres of expiration date of 2018	
October 6, 2009	Samuel (Sam) J. Oktay, Mojave Desert AQMD	phone	Samuel Oktay discr materials- twin more permit with George in San Bernardino (Department. It was granted was just an permit from 2007 tr permit is CEMEX (Kristen Jones (909) development activit this project site. Cr equipment on the p owner doesn't have for the foreseeable	leased land with an expiration date of 2018Samuel Oktay discussed the "Rinker materials- twin mountain rock venture" permit with George Kenline (909) 387-4105 in San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department. It was confirmed that the permit granted was just an extension of the land-use permit from 2007 to 2018. The owner of this permit is CEMEX and the contact person is Kristen Jones (909) 974-5471. None of the development activity has been conducted on this project site. Currently there is no equipment on the project site. The permit owner doesn't have any development plans for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the project has no current or foreseeable	

Attachment 1

"Sam Oktay" <soktay@mdaqmd.ca.gov> 07/02/2009 02:36 PM

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<Sam_Wang@URSCorp.com>

cc

Subject

RE: SES Solar One

Hi Sam; good to hear from you again also.

We, the MDAQMD, are not aware of any new sources in that area. The only possible exception might be portable sources that are doing temporary work in the area; however, we are not aware of any portable sources in the area either.

Please contact me with any additional questions/concerns, and also have a great 4th.

Thanks, Samuel (Sam) J. Oktay, PE Air Quality Engineer Mojave Desert AQMD 14306 Park Avenue Victorville, CA 92392 760-245-1661 Office 760-245-2022 Fax soktay@mdaqmd.ca.gov

Attachment 2

"Hyke, Carrie - LUS - Advance Planning" <chyke@lusd.sbcounty.gov> 07/14/2009 08:31 AM

To <Seth_l_hopkins@urscorp.com> cc "Creason, Tracy - LUS - Current Planning" <tcreason@lusd.sbcounty.gov>, "Williams, Teresa -LUS - Current Planning" <twilliams@lusd.sbcounty.gov> Subject RE: Search Cumulative Projects

Seth, We are working on your request. Please be advised that it could take 2-3 weeks.

Carrie Hyke, AICP, Principal Planner San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department Advance Planning Division Environmental & Mining Section Tel. 909-387-4371 FAX 909.387.3223 chyke@lusd.sbcounty.gov

Attachment 3

"Hyke, Carrie - LUS - Advance Planning" <chyke@lusd.sbcounty.gov> 08/14/2009 10:50 AM

To <Seth_l_hopkins@urscorp.com> cc

Subject Cumulative projects

Seth,

After receiving the extracted data from our permit tracking system, we checked the six mile radius around the project area and only found one project in our system. The relevant information is below:

APN Community Applicant Accepted SupDist Description 0552-011-10-0000 LUDLOW RINKER MATERIALS- TWIN MOUNTAIN ROCK VENTURE 02/02/2007 1ST MINING/RECLAMATION PLAN TO RE-PERMIT A CINDER QUARRY ON APPROXIMATELY 72 ACRES OF LEASED LAND WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2018

I hope this is helpful. Thank you for your patience.

Carrie Hyke, AICP, Principal Planner San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department Advance Planning Division Environmental & Mining Section Tel. 909-387-4371 FAX 909.387.3223 chyke@lusd.sbcounty.gov



Memorandum

Date: October 15, 2009

- To: Mr. Christopher Meyer, Mr. Jim Stobaugh, CEC and BLM Staff
- From: SES Solar Two

Subject: Additional Data Requests Made during the Issues Resolution and Data Request Workshop - Land Use

In response to a request that the Applicant provide additional information on the planned use private parcels located in the south western portion of the Proposed Solar One Project, URS, on behalf of the Applicant, submits the following response:

Please find a site plan, docketed on August 31st, 2009 in response to CEC and BLM Data Requests, submitted behind this memorandum. As is shown in the figure, development is not proposed for those private parcels. Further, while the private parcels are within the Project boundary, they will not be fenced, nor will access to the parcels be inhibited as a result of Project development.

Please let us know if you require any further information.



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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION For the SES SOLAR ONE PROJECT

Docket No. 08-AFC-13

PROOF OF SERVICE

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>Corinne Lytle</u> declare that on <u>Oct. 15th, 2009</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Applicant's</u> <u>Responses to Requests from the 9/16 Workshop</u> The original document, filed with the Docket Unit, is accompanied by a copy of the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/solarone].

The document has been sent to both the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit, in the following manner:

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Original Signed By

Corinne Lytle