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STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

Docket No. 09-AFC-09

Application for Certification For the Ridgecrest Solar Energy Project STAFF MOTION TO TERMINATE THE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION

I. INTRODUCTION

The Commission should terminate the Ridgecrest Solar Energy Project because there is no longer an Applicant. The Applicant, Solar Trust of America and its German parent company, Solar Millennium AG, filed for Bankruptcy and have been liquidated. In addition, the Bureau of Land Management terminated any rights to the project site over two years ago.

II. DISCUSSION

Under California Code of Regulations title 20 section 1720.2, any party may, based upon the applicant's failure to pursue an application with due diligence, file a motion to terminate the application proceeding. In this case there is no applicant. Appendix A contains caption pages from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware evidencing the 2012-2013 bankruptcy and liquidation of Solar Trust of America and its German parent company, Solar Millennium AG. Appendix B contains a statement from Solar Millennium AG website regarding its insolvency proceeding in Germany.

In addition to being no Applicant, there is no project site. Appendix C shows a summary of Bureau of Land Management activity related to the Applicant's right of way application for the project site. The documentation concludes with the right of way application being withdrawn on January 21, 2011, a refund being authorized on March 25, 2011 and the Bureau closing the application on March 29, 2011.

The last filing with the Commission from the Applicant occurred on February 16, 2012, in which the Applicant claimed that Solarhybrid AG was a buyer of "Solar Millennium's" interest in Solar Trust of America. (Appendix D) While it appears Solarhybrid AG, another German company, was planning on purchasing some interest from the German

parent Solar Millennium, AG, Solarhybrid AG declared bankruptcy in March 2012 and was liquidated in a German proceeding in June of 2012. (Appendix D)

III. CONCLUSION

Functionally the Ridgecrest Application for Certification was terminated in 2012 when the Applicant, Solar Trust of America filed for bankruptcy and was thereafter liquidated. Given the above discussion and the anticipation that this motion will be unopposed, the Commission should terminate the Ridgecrest Application for Certification 09-AFC-9.

March 21, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

SOLAR TRUST OF AMERICA, LLC, *et al.*, a Delaware limited liability company,

Chapter 11

Case No. 12-11136 (KG)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors.¹

Reference Docket Nos. 679, 686, 687, 727 and 867

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER CONFIRMING THE MODIFIED FIRST AMENDED CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF LIQUIDATION OF SOLAR TRUST OF AMERICA, LLC, AND ITS AFFILIATED DEBTORS

Upon consideration of the Modified First Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation of Solar Trust of America, LLC, and Its Affiliated Debtors (annexed hereto as Exhibit 1, and including all exhibits thereto and as amended, modified, and/or supplemented from time to time, the "Plan") proposed by the debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (each, a "Debtor," and collectively, the "Debtors"); and the Debtors having filed the Disclosure Statement with Respect to the Modified First Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation of Solar Trust of America, LLC, and Its Affiliated Debtors [Docket No. 687] (including all exhibits thereto and as amended, modified, and/or supplemented from time to time, the "Disclosure Statement"); and the Bankruptcy Court, by Order dated October 23, 2012 [Docket No. 679] (the "Disclosure Statement Order"), having approved the Disclosure Statement as containing adequate information after notice and a hearing held on October 23, 2012; and upon the affidavit of service filed reflecting compliance with the notice and solicitation requirements of the

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, and the last four digits of their employer tax identification number, are: Solar Trust of America, LLC (4430), STA Development, LLC (9964), STA Contracting, LLC (8039), Amargosa Valley Solar I, LLC (2615), Amargosa Valley Solar II, LLC (0481), Palo Verde Solar I, LLC (1503), Palo Verde Solar II, LLC (1587), Palen Solar I, LLC (1669), Palen Solar II, LLC (1728), CA Solar 10, LLC (1779), Solar Millennium, Inc. (9886), Ridgecrest Solar Power Project, LLC (2699), Ridgecrest Solar I, LLC (1825), and Ridgecrest Solar II, LLC (0397). The corporate headquarters address for the Debtors is 505 Montgomery Street, 11th Floor, San Francisco, California 94111.



Dated: Wilmington, Delaware March <u>7</u>, 2013

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Chief United States Bankruptoy Judge

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MODIFIED FIRST AMENDED CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF LIQUIDATION OF SOLAR TRUST OF AMERICA, LLC, AND ITS AFFILIATED DEBTORS

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware March 7, 2013

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Counsel for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession

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Dated: Wilmington, Delaware

Respectfully submitted,

SOLAR TRUST OF AMERICA, LLC, et al.

Ý Simmie Cummins

Executive Vice President, Chief Restructuring Officer and Chief Financial Officer

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11	
SOLAR TRUST OF AMERICA, LLC, et al., a Delaware limited liability company, Debtors. ¹	Case No. 12-11136 (KG) (Jointly Administered) Docket Ref. No. 852	
In re:	Chapter 15	
SOLAR MILLENNIUM AG,	Case No. 12-11722 (KG)	
Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	Docket Ref. No. 41	
OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, on behalf of the estate of the Debtors, Plaintiff, v.	Adv. Proc. No. 12-50979 (KG)	
SOLAR MILLENNIUM AG, VOLKER BÖHM AS INSOLVENCY ADMINISTRATOR OF SOLAR MILLENNIUM AG, SOLAR MILLENNIUM CAPITAL GMBH, and SMU USA 2 GMBH,		
Defendants.	Docket Ref. No. 3	
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ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION BY AND AMONG THE U.S. DEBTORS, THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, AND VOLKER BÖHM, AS FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE OF SOLAR MILLENNIUM AG, <u>REGARDING GLOBAL SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS</u>

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ORDERED that this Order and the Settlement Agreement it approves shall be appended as an exhibit to and referenced in the Confirmation Order; and it is further

ORDERED that, notwithstanding any stays under Bankruptcy Rules 6004 and 6006 that may otherwise be applicable, this Order shall be effective upon its entry and the Parties are authorized to immediately take any and all actions necessary to carry out, effectuate or otherwise enforce the terms, conditions and provisions of the Settlement Agreement; and it is further

ORDERED that the Court shall retain jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the interpretation or implementation of the Settlement Agreement and this Order.

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware March <u>1</u>, 2013

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Chief United States Bunkruptcy Judge

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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Chapter 11

Case No. 12-11136 (KG)

Debtors.¹

(Jointly Administered)

NOTICE OF: (I) ENTRY OF ORDER CONFIRMING CHAPTER 11 PLAN; (II) OCCURRENCE OF EFFECTIVE DATE; AND (III) RELATED DEADLINES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

1. On March 7, 2013, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>") entered an order (the "<u>Confirmation Order</u>") confirming the *Modified First Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation of Solar Trust of America, LLC, and Its Affiliated Debtors*, dated as of March 7, 2013 (as confirmed, the "<u>Plan</u>").² To receive a copy of the Confirmation Order and/or the Plan, you may (a) contact the Debtors' Claims and Voting Agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC, by calling (310) 823-9000, or (b) visit the Bankruptcy Court's website, <u>www.deb.uscourts.gov</u>. A PACER login and password are required to access documents on the Bankruptcy Court's website and these can be obtained through the PACER Service Center at <u>www.pacer.psc.uscourts.gov</u>. In addition, copies of these documents are on file with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Wilmington, Delaware, 19801 and are available for inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding federal holidays, at the office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court.

2. On March 28, 2013, the "Effective Date" occurred with respect to the Plan.

3. Pursuant to Article 2.02 of the Plan and paragraph 22 of the Confirmation Order, all requests for payment of Administrative Expense Claims that accrued on or after April 2, 2013 (or April 10, 2013 with respect to Debtors Ridgecrest Solar Power Project, LLC, Ridgecrest Solar I, LLC and Ridgecrest Solar II, LLC) must be submitted to the Claims and Voting Agent and served on the Reorganized Debtors and their counsel, the Liquidation Trustee, and counsel to the Liquidation Trust so as to be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) on April 29, 2013 (the "Administrative

² Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Plan and/or the Confirmation Order.



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Expense Claims Bar Date"), which date is thirty (30) days after this Notice is filed and served.³ Such requests for payment must include, at a minimum, (i) the name of the Debtor(s) that are purported to be liable for the Administrative Expense Claim; (ii) the name of the holder of the Administrative Expense Claim; (iii) the amount of the Administrative Expense Claim; (iv) the basis of the Administrative Expense Claim; and (v) all supporting documentation for the Administrative Expense Claim. Holders of Administrative Expense Claims that do not properly submit such requests by the Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date shall be forever barred from asserting such Administrative Expense Claims against the Debtors, the Reorganized Debtors, the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trustee, the Estates, or any of their property. To the extent a party-in-interest wishes to file a late filed Administrative Expense Claim. such party in interest shall either obtain written consent from the Liquidation Trustee to file such Administrative Expense Claim late or obtain an order of the Bankruptcy Court permitting the Administrative Expense Claim to be late-filed. FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE SUCH REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIM TIMELY AND PROPERLY SHALL **RESULT IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE CLAIM BEING FOREVER BARRED AND** DISCHARGED. In accordance with Article 8.01 of the Plan, all objections to Administrative Expense Claims, other than Fee Claims, shall be filed and served on or before the later of (i) July 26, 2013 and (ii) such later date as may be fixed by the Bankruptcy Court, which later date may be fixed before or after July 26, 2013 without notice or hearing.

4. Pursuant to Article 2.03(a) of the Plan and paragraph 23 of the Confirmation Order, any Professional asserting an Administrative Expense Claim under sections 328, 330(a), 331 or 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code for compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred in the Chapter 11 Cases on or prior to the Effective Date (including reasonable expenses of the members of the Creditors' Committee incurred as members of the Creditors' Committee in discharge of their duties as such, a "Fee <u>Claim</u>") must file an application for final allowance of such Fee Claim with the Bankruptcy Court and serve such application on (i) the Debtors and their counsel, (ii) the Reorganized Debtor(s) and their counsel, (iii) the Liquidation Trustee and counsel for the Liquidation Trust, (iv) the U.S. Trustee, and (v) counsel to the Creditors' Committee no later than <u>April 29, 2013</u>. FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE SUCH FINAL FEE APPLICATIONS TIMELY AND PROPERLY SHALL RESULT IN THE UNDERLYING FEE CLAIMS BEING FOREVER BARRED AND DISCHARGED. In accordance with Article 2.03(a) of the Plan and paragraph 23 of the Confirmation Order, all objections to Fee Claims, if any, must be filed and served no later than twenty-one (21) days after the filing of the Fee Claim or such other date as may be established by the Bankruptcy Court.

5. Pursuant to Article 2.03(c) of the Plan, any application for the allowance and payment of success and transaction fees must be filed with the Bankruptcy Court and served on (i) the Debtors and their counsel, (ii) the Reorganized Debtor(s) and their counsel, (iii) the Liquidation Trustee and its counsel, (iv) the U.S. Trustee, and (v) counsel to the Creditors' Committee no later than <u>April 29, 2013</u>. FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE A SUCCESS OR TRANSACTION FEE APPLICATION TIMELY AND PROPERLY SHALL RESULT IN THE UNDERLYING CLAIM BEING FOREVER BARRED AND DISCHARGED. In accordance with Article 2.03(c) of the Plan, all

³ Pursuant to the Plan and Confirmation Order, however, if you are a holder of: (a) a Fee Claim; (b) an Administrative Expense Claim that has been Allowed on or before the Effective Date; (c) the Administrative Agent's claim, if any, with respect to the Lender's Contingent Sale Proceeds Payment; and (d) a claim for U.S. Trustee Fees, you are excepted from the requirement of submitting a request for payment of such Administrative Expense Claim with respect to such Administrative Expense Claim. Additionally, the Internal Revenue Service is not required to file a request for payment of an Administrative Expense Claim of the type described in section 503(b)(1)(D) of the Bankruptcy Code.

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objections to applications for success and transaction fees, if any, must be filed and served no later than twenty-one (21) days after the filing of the underlying application.

6. Pursuant to Article 9.03 of the Plan and paragraph 20 of the Confirmation Order, and in accordance with the Bar Date Order, any holder of a Claim arising from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to Article 9.01 of the Plan ("Rejection Damages Claims"), must file a Proof of Claim with respect to the Rejection Damages Claim with Kurtzman Carson Consultants, Attn: Solar Trust of America, LLC Claims Processing Center, 2335 Alaska Avenue, El Segundo, California 90245 and serve a copy of such Proof of Claim on the Debtors no later than <u>April 29, 2013</u> or such Rejection Damages Claim shall be forever barred and shall not be entitled to a distribution or be enforceable against the Debtors, the Reorganized Debtors, the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trustee, the Estates, or any of their property. FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE SUCH REJECTION DAMAGES CLAIM TIMELY AND PROPERLY SHALL RESULT IN SUCH CLAIM BEING FOREVER BARRED AND DISCHARGED.

7. Pursuant to Article 13.16 of the Plan and paragraph 45 of the Confirmation Order, any party (other than (i) the Liquidation Trustee, (ii) counsel to the Liquidation Trustee, (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, and (iv) the members of the Liquidation Trust Advisory Board) that desires to remain on the 2002 List in the Chapter 11 Cases shall, no later than <u>April</u> 29, 2013, file a renewed request for receipt of notices and serve copies of such request by mail upon the Claims and Voting Agent, the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trustee, the Debtors, and the Reorganized Debtors.

Dated: March 28, 2013 Wilmington, Delaware YOUNG CONAWAY STARGATT & TAYLOR, LLP

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APPENDIX B

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2012-02-28

Insolvency proceedings initiated for Solar Millennium AG

Erlangen, 28 February 2012 - The Amtsgericht [Local Court of] Fürth initiated the insolvency proceedings for Solar Millennium AG on Tuesday. The court appointed Volker Böhm, lawyer from Nuremberg, as insolvency administrator. He had already been appointed interim insolvency administrator last December. Upon the initiation of insolvency proceedings, Mr. Böhm assumes power of administration and disposal from the former Company organs.

The search for investors for the Company will continue. The insolvency administrator still sees takeover opportunities for the Flagsol GmbH subsidiary in Cologne and some of the Spanish power plant projects, particularly Arenales. Apparently investors are also interested in taking over Solar Millennium AG as a whole, although the prospects of success are highly uncertain in this respect. Therefore, the Company's remaining staff of about 40 received a notice of termination on Tuesday.

The Amtsgericht appointed a creditors' committee of inspection. The first creditors' meeting is scheduled to take place on 15 May 2012.

About Solar Millennium AG:

Solar Millennium AG (ISIN DE0007218406), Erlangen, is a company that operates globally in the renewable energy sector, with its main focus on solar power plants. Together with its subsidiaries and associates, the Company specializes in solar-thermal power plants, particularly parabolic trough plants.

The Company covers all important business sectors along the value chain for solar power plants: from project development and financing to technology and the turnkey construction and operation of power plants. Solar Millennium realized Europe's first parabolic trough power plants in Spain as well as the first modern parabolic trough solar field in Egypt.

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Summary of press releases

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Enclosed for filing with the California Energy Commission is the original of STA ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO COMMITTEE QUESTIONS TO SUPPORT MOTION FOR JURSIDICTIONAL WAIVER, for the Ridgecrest Solar Power Project (09-AFC-9).

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Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

In the Matter of:

RIDGECREST SOLAR POWER PROJECT

DOCKET NO: 09-AFC-9

STA ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO COMMITTEE QUESTIONS TO SUPPORT MOTION FOR JURSIDICTIONAL WAIVER

On February 3, 2012, Solar Trust of America Development (STA) received through its Counsel of Record a request from the Hearing Officer assigned to this matter. Specifically the Hearing Officer requested STA to file a response to be docketed and served on all parties to answer the following inquiry:

A recent press release from Solar Trust of America (STA) announced that Solar Millennium AG, a majority equity shareholder of STA, initiated insolvency proceedings in Germany. Recent media reports further indicate that a sale of Solar Millennium's interest in STA may have been consummated.

For the benefit of the Commissioners and persons who have participated in the Ridgecrest Solar Power Project proceedings, including the proceedings that led to the Hearing Adviser's [Proposed] Commission Decision Affirming that Warren-Alquist Act Section 25502.3 Applies to Photovoltaic Electrical Generating Facilities, please confirm whether STA intends to proceed with a project and if so, how the insolvency proceedings and media reports of a sale may affect the timeline by which STA would do so.

Notwithstanding our contention that the question presented is wholly irrelevant to the matter currently pending before the Commission, the simple answer is that solarhybrid

AG, the buyer of Solar Millennium's interest in STA, intends to develop the Ridgecrest Solar Power Project (RSPP). Specifically, solarhybrid AG intends to develop a PV project that is smaller in footprint than the concentrated solar power configuration described in the RSPP AFC. The PV project will be located within BLM land (no County land) located on the south side of Brown Road thereby avoiding the desert tortoise habitat located north of Brown Road and avoiding the Mohave Ground Squirrel habitat corridor identified within the main wash area located on both sides of Brown Road. With respect to timing, neither STA nor solarhybrid AG can commit to date for filing of a PV Project for RSPP as development has been suspended until the Commission rules on the motion.

BACKGROUND

STA originally approached CEC Staff for guidance on the applicability of Section 25502.3 of the Warren Alquist Act to projects that would employ PV technology. Staff instructed STA Counsel to file a motion specifically in a proceeding involving a project that was seeking to employ PV technology. STA then filed the pending motion in this proceeding. That original motion was filed on June 17, 2011. The Committee ordered briefs which were filed by the parties on July 6, 2011. Oral argument took place before the Committee on July 25, 2011. On July 28, 2011, the Committee requested the Commission take the matter from the Committee as the decision would be precedential and would affect stakeholders beyond those involved in the Ridgecrest Proceeding. The Commission agreed and withdrew the motion from the Committee on August 24, 2011. On September 16, 2011 the parties filed Supplemental Briefs answering specific questions posed by the Commission. On December 5, 2011 after consideration of all documents in the matter, the assigned Hearing Officer published a Proposed Decision.

STA is entitled to a decision on its motion. The hearing on the Proposed Decision has been continued twice with the latest continuance being indefinite with no specified date. The Commission has had the issue under advisement for over 5 months. STA respectfully requests that the Commission rule on this matter and specifically requests the Commission adopt the Proposed Decision as its own.

Respectfully Submitted,

February 16, 2012

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Solarhybrid insolvency proceedings open

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The insolvency process has begun for Germany's Solarhybrid AG.



The Arnsberg district court announced on June 1 that insolvency proceedings have opened for Solarhybrid, reports German news agency, dpa. The district court has appointed Dortmund lawyer, Axel Kampmann, liquidator.

Solarhybrid develops large-scale photovollaic projects. solarhybrid ag

The company was forced to <u>file for insolvency</u> after the announcement in Germany of the <u>planned solar subsidy</u>

<u>cuts in late February</u>, which proposed the removal of tariffs for plants over 10 megawatts in size.

Currently, the website of the large-scale photovoltaic project company is unavailable.

Translated by Becky Beetz.

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