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Jacqueline Targett, Senior Development Officer Planning and Development Services Rocky View County 262075 Rocky View Point Rocky View County, AB T4A 0X2

Dear Jacqueline:

## WAIVER OF RE-APPLICATION INTERVAL OF SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REFUSAL

Application PRDP202114577 was brought to Council on May 31, 2022 with a previously approved Land Use Amendment and included a motion by Rocky County administration for the development permit approval of a solar farm located near Indus, Alberta.

The request to waive the re-application interval includes the following rationale:

- The applicant has since reached out to other municipalities within the province (Newell County, Vulcan County, Town of Strathmore) as well as looked into a prior Alberta Utilities Commission Solar Farm development approval for Brooks to inquire whether decommissioning securities were included for similarly-sized solar farm developments within the province. There were no securities included for any solar farm developments for reclamation at the time of approval. (Appendix 1)
- The applicant has included a Decommissioning Plan as part of the reclamation process as outlined during the Land Use Amendment stage. (Appendix 2)
- The applicant has indicated that the term of the development permit consists of 20 to 30 years as this is the typical lifecycle for solar panels.
- Setback areas included within the site plan can also be used to expand on the farming, as there are areas within the plan that cannot have solar panels which could include small farming operations, and or expansion to the community garden areas. (Appendix 3)

The above points address questions posed during the Council meeting and thus, the applicant is requesting a re-application of PRDP202114577.

Yours truly,

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Elvin Karpovich

Director

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