

July 29, 2025

Ms. Ami Hafkemeyer, Siting Manager Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council PO BOX 43172 Olympia, WA, 98504-3172

Dear Ms. Hafkemeyer,

Avangrid requests another 12-month extension of our Badger Mountain Solar permit application review. We request EFSEC to please continue to pause all project activities and expenditures until further notice from Avangrid.

Avangrid is continuing to evaluate our project portfolio. Projects with advanced grid interconnection like Badger are valuable assets to meet Washington State's ambitious clean energy goals. However, we also need to consider other factors such as site control. Some leases within the project area have expired and Avangrid is actively negotiating with these landowners. These negotiations take significant time.

Federal regulatory uncertainty, recent tax changes and volatile trade and tariff policy pertaining to renewable energy are affecting supply chain and equipment costs which is in turn impacting our ability to negotiate power purchase agreements. Until the market stabilizes Avangrid is taking a cautious approach in advancing development on Badger Mountain Solar. Avangrid doesn't want to waste the efforts to date of EFSEC by withdrawing our permitting application thus our request for the 1-year extension.

Yours Sincerely,

Michael DeRuyter

Senior Permitting Manager

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