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See attached correspondence related to the application for site certificate submitted by Wallula Gap Solar, LLC.

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April 9, 2024

Chair Kathleen Drew
Energy Facility Siting Evaluation Council
PO Box 43172
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Application for Site Certificate submitted by Wallula Gap Solar, LLC

Dear Chair Kathleen Drew and Council Members,

Clark Public Utility District (“Clark PUD”) provides this letter in connection with the Application for Site Certificate submitted by Wallula Gap Solar, LLC (an affiliate of OneEnergy Development, LLC) for a solar energy project (the “Project”) proposed on T6N R27W Section 33 and T5N R27W Section 4 in Benton County, WA.

OneEnergy and Clark PUD have been in discussions regarding the Project since early 2023 and have entered active negotiations for the sale and delivery of energy from the Project to Clark PUD. Clark PUD supports this project as a means to help meet Clark PUD’s commitments to its approximately 225,000 customers. Clark PUD’s energy mix is primarily made up of hydro and natural gas resources with the remainder purchased from market resources and the Combine Hills wind project. With changing power markets in the near future and wholesale market price volatility, this Project offers long-term, fixed priced power for our customers. In addition to supporting Clark PUD’s planning goals, this Project helps Washington meet its CETA goals of becoming 100 percent carbon-free by 2045.

Clark PUD is working together with OneEnergy to help ensure Washington communities have the power required to meet loads, while also adapting to the future needs of our state.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Andersen', written over a white background.

Steve Andersen
Director of Energy Resources
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