

December 23, 2022

Decision 27793-D01-2022

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Attention: Devyn Richardson

Natural Resources Environmental Manager

Enterprise Solar Project and Substation and Vulcan County Community Solar Project Time Extension Proceeding 27793 Applications 27793-A001 and 27793-A002

Time extension

- 1. Enterprise Solar GP Inc., by applications 27793-A001 and 27793-A002, registered with the Alberta Utilities Commission on November 21, 2022, requested approval to extend the completion date of the 65-megawatt (MW) power plant, designated as the Enterprise Solar Project, and the Enterprise 1070S Substation, located in the Vulcan area; and the 15-MW solar power plant, designated as the Vulcan County Community Solar Project, near the town of Vulcan.
- 2. For Application 27793-A001, the proposed work is related to facilities previously approved by the Commission in Approval 26322-D02-2021,¹ and Permit and Licence 26322-D03-2021.² For Application 27793-A002, the proposed work is related to facilities previously approved by the Commission in Approval 27136-D02-2022.³ In both applications, January 31, 2023, was stipulated as the construction completion date for the Enterprise Solar Project and substation and the Vulcan County Community Solar Project.
- 3. For both the Enterprise Solar Project and substation and the Vulcan County Community Solar Project, Enterprise Solar stated that construction has not started and is expected to commence on June 1, 2023. Enterprise Solar stated that it needs more time to finalize development and acquire additional permits for the projects and is requesting approval to extend the completion date of the Enterprise Solar Project and substation and the Vulcan County Community Solar Project to June 1, 2025.
- 4. For the Enterprise Solar Project and substation, Enterprise Solar stated the following:
 - a. The renewable energy referral report remains valid until January 29, 2026, and that the wildlife surveys remain current and will be updated in 2024 as required.

Power Plant Approval 26633-D02-2021, Proceeding 26633, Application 26633-A001, July 13, 2021.

² Power Plant Approval 26633-D03-2021, Proceeding 26633, Application 26633-A002, July 13, 2021.

³ Power Plant Approval 27136-D02-2022, Proceeding 27136, Application 27136-A001, February 17, 2022.

- b. Enterprise Solar did not update the participant involvement program (PIP) since there are no changes to the project that would impact stakeholders beyond the time extension and stated that the PIP will be updated if changes to the project require additional stakeholder engagement.
- c. In response to a Commission information request, Enterprise Solar stated that the Alberta Electric System Operator has been consulted with and did not indicate any concerns with the new construction completion date.
- 5. For the Vulcan County Community Solar Project, Enterprise Solar stated the following:
 - a. The renewable energy referral report remains valid until February 27, 2025, and stated that the wildlife surveys remain current and will be updated in 2023 as required.
 - b. Enterprise Solar did not update the PIP since there are no changes to the project that would impact stakeholders beyond the time extension and stated that the PIP will be updated if changes to the project require additional stakeholder engagement.
 - c. Enterprise Solar confirmed that the distribution facility owner has no concerns with the updated construction completion date.
- 6. Enterprise Solar has provided information respecting the need, nature and the duration of the requested time extensions. Based upon the information provided, Enterprise Solar has demonstrated that the requested time extensions are of a minor nature.
- 7. The Commission approves a time extension to June 1, 2025, for the completion of the Enterprise Solar Project and substation and the Vulcan County Community Solar Project.
- 8. Approval 27793-D02-2022, Permit and Licence 27793-D03-2022, and Approval 27793-D04-2022 are attached.
- 9. The Commission may, no later than 60 days of the date of this decision and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected decision on its website.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Rita Chan
Director – Power Plants, Facilities Division
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachments