

Power Plant Approval 28316-D02-2023

Appendix 1 to Decision 28316-D01-2023	August 14, 2023
Enterprise Solar GP Inc. Vulcan County Community Solar Project Amendments	Proceeding 28316 Application 28316-A001

Enterprise Solar GP Inc., pursuant to Approval 27793-D04-2022,¹ has approval to construct and operate a 15-megawatt (MW) solar power plant, designated as the Vulcan County Community Solar Project, located near the town of Vulcan.

Enterprise Solar, by Application 28316-A001, registered on July 6, 2023, applied to the Alberta Utilities Commission for amendments to the design of the approved, but not yet constructed power plant.

The Commission, pursuant to sections 11 and 19 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, approved the application in Decision 28316-D01-2023,² and granted an approval to Enterprise Solar to alter the design, construct and operate the power plant, subject to the provisions of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act* and the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*, any regulations made under the acts, any orders made under the acts, the Commission rules made pursuant to the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*, and the following terms and conditions:

1. The power plant shall be located in the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 16, Range 25, west of the Fourth Meridian, as further described in the application and Application 25471-A001.
2. The power plant shall consist of 36,450 solar panels mounted on single-axis tracking racks, with a total generating capability of 15 MW, and as further described in the application and Application 25471-A001.
3. The approval is subject to the following conditions which have been described in Decision 25471-D01-2020:³
 - a. Enterprise Solar GP Inc. shall use a standard anti-reflective coating for the project's solar panels.

¹ Power Plant Approval 27793-D04-2022, Proceeding 27793, Application 27793-A002, December 23, 2022.

² Decision 28316-D01-2023: Enterprise Solar GP Inc. – Vulcan County Community Solar Project Amendments, Proceeding 28316, Application 28316-A001, August 14, 2023.

³ Decision 25471-D01-2020: 2181731 Alberta Ltd. – Vulcan County Community Solar Project, Proceeding 25471, Application 25471-A001, June 25, 2020.

- b. Enterprise Solar GP Inc. shall file a report detailing any complaints or concerns it receives or is made aware of regarding solar glare from the project during its first year of operation, as well as Enterprise Solar GP Inc.'s response to the complaint or concerns. Enterprise Solar GP Inc. shall file this report no later than 13 months after the project becomes operational.
 - c. Enterprise Solar GP Inc. shall submit an annual post-construction monitoring survey report to Alberta Environment and Protected Areas⁴ and the AUC no later than January 31 of the year following the mortality monitoring period, and on or before the same date every subsequent year for which Alberta Environment and Protected Areas requires surveys pursuant to subsection 3(3) of Rule 033: *Post-approval Monitoring Requirements for Wind and Solar Power Plants*.
 - d. Once the distribution owner has purchased the meter for the community generating unit, Enterprise Solar GP Inc. must provide the Commission with written confirmation of the actual cost to purchase the meter.
- 4. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, construction of the power plant shall be completed by June 1, 2025.
 - 5. Enterprise Solar shall notify the Commission within 30 days of completing construction of the power plant.
 - 6. Enterprise Solar shall obtain Commission approval prior to making any material changes to the power plant or substantially varying the design and/or specifications of the power plant from what was stated in the application or from what the Commission has approved.
 - 7. This approval is not transferable unless approved by the Commission.

Approval 27793-D04-2022 is rescinded.

The Commission may cancel or suspend this approval, in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 41 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act* or may review this approval, in whole or in part, upon its own motion or upon an application by an interested party, in accordance with Section 10 of the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*.

⁴ On October 24, 2022, the Ministry of Environment and Parks (AEP) was renamed the Ministry of Environment and Protected Areas. Any references to AEP in Rule 033: *Post-approval Monitoring Requirements for Wind and Solar Power Plants* and elsewhere that relate to forward-looking obligations or commitments between the applicant and AEP should be interpreted as meaning Alberta Environment and Protected Areas.

The Commission may, no later than 60 days from the date of this approval and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected approval on its website.

Alberta Utilities Commission

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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission