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Dear [Name]

Re: Wheatcrest Solar Facility Connection Project

BluEarth Renewables, through its subsidiary BER Wheatcrest Solar LP (BluEarth), is proposing the construction of the Wheatcrest 1039S substation and a 138-kilovolt transmission line (the “Project”) to connect the approved 60-megawatt Wheatcrest Solar Project to the Alberta Interconnected Electric System (AIES).

The Project will be located on privately owned land in 22-015-18W4 and will connect to the existing AltaLink transmission line (763AL) along Township Road 154. Maps of the proposed location and the Project’s components have been provided in this package.

Determining a preferred transmission line location

BluEarth has been working with the landowner to determine a placement of both the substation and transmission line to minimize potential impacts on their current operations. Engineering constraints, environmental surveys, land use, and the location of the connection point have been considered and incorporated into the determination of the Project’s placement.

Facility Application and Environmental Evaluation

As part of the Project, BluEarth has conducted various environmental surveys (desktop and in-field) and the findings have been incorporated into Project development. Surveys for the Project include sharp-tailed grouse, burrowing owls, breeding birds, raptor stick nest, amphibians, wetlands, vegetation, and other wildlife. These surveys assist the team in completing an environmental evaluation to understand any potential impacts and suggest appropriate mitigation measures to minimize potential impacts.

Alberta Utilities Commission– Responsible for regulatory approval

BluEarth will complete and submit a Facilities Application for review and approval by the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) in the spring of 2022. As part of the Facilities Application, the environmental evaluation, environmental protection plans, mitigation measures, route determination process, and feedback received by the public, will be provided for the AUC’s consideration. These documents will be available to the public for comment and BluEarth will notify you by mail when the Project is filed.

Information regarding the AUC review process and how you can participate is included in the brochure provided in this package and can be found at www.auc.ab.ca.

Market Participant Choice

The Alberta Electric System Operator has deemed this Project as eligible under its Market Participant Choice option meaning the Project will be permitted and constructed by BluEarth. Once commissioned,

BluEarth will transfer the Project to AltaLink who will assume the role of Transmission Facility Owner and operator of the transmission line. AltaLink will be undertaking their own engagement process with those near the Project’s interconnection.

Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) – Responsible for Project Need

The AESO is an independent, not-for-profit organization responsible for the safe, reliable, and economic planning and operation of the provincial transmission grid. For more information about why this Project is needed, please refer to the AESO's Need Overview included with this package or visit www.aeso.ca. If you have any questions or concerns about the need for this Project or the proposed transmission development to meet the need you may contact the AESO directly. You can make your questions or concerns known to a transmission facility owner representative who will collect your personal information for the purpose of addressing your questions and/or concerns to the AESO. This process may include disclosure of your personal information to the AESO. The AESO can be contacted by email at stakeholder.relations@aeso.ca, phone 1-888-866-2959 or more information can be found on the AESO website at www.aeso.ca

Project timelines

The following timelines are anticipated for the Project and are subject to change pending regulatory approvals.

Activity	2021	2022				2023
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Project introduction						
Public and agency feedback						
Regulatory filing						
Regulatory approval						
Construction						
In-service						

Questions or comments?

Feedback from the community is important to us as we move towards finalizing the Project and its location. We wish to understand potential impacts early in the process to develop potential mitigation measures to lessen impact to people and the environment.

Please contact our team member Trevor at tjoyal@maskwaenv.com or (403) 598-4156 if you have any questions or visit the project website at <https://bluearthrenewables.com/projects/wheatcrest-solar-project/>.

Regards,
BER Wheatcrest Solar LP

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Enclosures: Project maps, Alberta Utilities Commission Brochure “Participating in the AUC’s independent review process”, and the AESO’s Need Overview titled “*Need for the Wheatcrest Solar Project Connection in the Enchant area*”