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Sonoma County Board of Zoning Adjustments  
2550 Ventura Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

**RE: Permit Application PLP16-0055**

Dear Board Members:

With regards to the Bodega Avenue Solar project being developed by Juniper Energy LLC, Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) provides this letter.

SCP is the default electricity provider in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties, operating as a joint powers authority governed by a Board of Directors comprised of representatives from participating jurisdictions, including the County of Sonoma.

One of the goals of SCP when it was formed in 2013 was to facilitate the development of local renewable energy resources, such as solar photovoltaic generation. To incentivize smaller-scale renewable energy projects, SCP's Board of Directors approved a "feed-in" tariff program called ProFIT. The ProFIT program pays qualified facilities a fixed price for power over 20 years. To qualify under the ProFIT program, a facility must meet the following conditions:

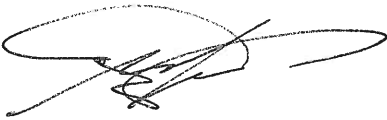
- A new resource,
- Smaller than 1 megawatt,
- Located in SCP service territory (Sonoma & Mendocino),
- California Renewable Portfolio Standard compliant,
- Interconnected to the electricity grid via PG&E's Wholesale Distribution Tariff, and
- Legally permitted by the appropriate land use agency.

This project qualifies for SCP's ProFIT tariff, and will help SCP reduce greenhouse gas emissions by generating enough clean electricity to serve 600 homes. This project will support the local economy and create jobs as the developers are proposing to use local labor to do the construction and installation.

As noted, SCP defers to the local land use authority on decisions about whether a project meets the authority's conditions and requirements. However, as a qualified project under our ProFIT

program, the project is consistent with and would help to further SCP's goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and facilitating the development of local renewable resources.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Geof Syphers', with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

Geof Syphers  
Chief Executive Officer  
Sonoma Clean Power