

August 18, 2023

NOTICE OF COMMERCIAL/UTILITY SCALE SOLAR ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM CSECS) CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE LAWRENCEDOUGLAS COUNTY PLANNING OFFICE

Re: Kansas Sky Energy Center (Free State Solar Project, LLC)

Dear Property Owner:

Pursuant to Section 12-306-49.06 of the Zoning and Land Use Regulations for the Unincorporated Territory of Douglas County, Kansas, this letter constitutes notice to nearby property owners that Free State Solar Project, LLC, d/b/a Kansas Sky Energy Center ("Applicant") intends to submit a conditional use permit application (the "Application") to the Lawrence-Douglas County Planning Office on August 21, 2023.

The Application requests approval of a Commercial/Utility Scale Solar Energy Conversion System (CSECS) project (the "Project") with a nameplate capacity of 159 MWac. The Project, if approved, will provide enough clean renewable energy to power over 30,000 Kansas homes. The Project is located approximately one (1) mile north of the City of Lawrence, Kansas and within Douglas County. The Project Area totals approximately 1,105 acres, with a Site Area of installed solar facility of approximately 604 acres. The Project proposes to interconnect to the transmission grid located at the Midland Junction 115 kV substation (2024 E. 1400 Road). Pending regulatory approvals, the Project is proposed to be built, owned and operated by Evergy, through its regulated utility subsidiaries. Subject to Project approval, construction is presently scheduled to commence no earlier than Winter 2024.

Please visit <u>www.kansasskyenergycenter.com</u> for additional information about the Project. You may also contact Applicant's designated representative, Brianna Baca, as noted below.

This letter is being sent to the owners of nearby property for the purpose of informing the property owners and other interested parties about the proposed Commercial Solar Energy Conversion System (CSECS) project described further in this letter. This letter does not grant the recipient and/or the property owner any additional legal rights to challenge the proposed development, instead, it is being provided solely to advise property owner(s) of the pending development. For further information, contact the Applicant's designated representative or the Lawrence-Douglas County Planning Office at 785-832-7700.

Sincerely,

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