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Solar Permitting & Inspection: Training on best practices for permitting and inspecting solar arrays

June 4, 2024

Session 3 agenda

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Session Overview and Check-in

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May 2024

June/July 2024

April 2024

June 2024

July/August 2024

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Best practice guidance for planning and zoning of small and large-scale solar arrays

Session 4: Community engagement & municipal operations

Guidance on how to support residents, businesses, and your own operations teams as they consider adopting solar


Access to 1-on-1 technical assistance support

Session 3 overview

- This session is focused on SolSmart's "Permitting and Inspection" (PI) category.
- Communities that have permitting/inspection staff attend today's session (or watch the recording) will earn both *PI-2: Train permitting staff on best practices for permitting solar PV and/or solar and storage systems* & *PI-3: Train inspection staff on best practices for inspecting solar PV and/or solar and storage systems*.
 - For those watching the recording, please complete a [verification memo](#) and send it to zach.greene@wri.org.
- This session will also introduce best practices included within multiple other "PI" criteria.
- Your community will need to develop and publish a "permitting checklist" that details the required permit(s), submittals, and steps of your community's permitting process for residential rooftop solar PV. This is criterion *PI-1* and a prerequisite for Bronze designation.

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APPLICATION
SOLAR PANEL PERMIT

Permit Number

Requirements

Your application **will not be accepted** if any of the below items are missing or incomplete. Incomplete applications will be returned and any paid fees are nonrefundable. To check the status of a permit, email permits@cityofkennedale.com and include the property address and permit type.

- ☐ Solar PV System Application (separate electrical permit not required): cityofkennedale.com/solar
- ☐ Letter from a Texas Licensed Professional Engineer including the following:
 - ☐ Statement that the roof of the structure is adequate to support the proposed panels
 - ☐ Any recommended modifications to the roof along panel support and bracing systems
- ☐ A labeled, itemized list of solar collectors and other system components approved by a national recognized agency, including data specification sheet for PV system and components
- ☐ Scaled, dimensioned, **LABELED** plans – 2 sets if submitting printed copies
 - o Site plan (to scale) showing location of major components on the property
 - o Electrical line diagram of the electrical equipment (including make, model, and size of units) prepared by a Texas Licensed Professional Engineer of the PV array configuration showing: wiring system, overcurrent protection, grounding, inverter, disconnects, required signs, AC connection to building, and size and location of electrical panel
 - o Spec sheets, listings, and manufacturer's installation instructions for each manufactured component, including but not limited to PV modules, inverters, combiner boxes, disconnects, and mounting systems
 - o A roof plan, side elevations of collectors, and mounting details. Also, note needed compliance with local wind loading requirements: 90 MPH (3-second-gust/75 fastest mile)
 - o Additional information required:
 - Weight of the arrays (pounds per square foot- including mounting hardware)
 - Describe and show the roof structural elements, including:
 - Rafter size, span, and spacing
 - Roof sheathing
 - Additional structural calculations and/or engineer's verification of load capacity of the roof structure
 - Roofing type (e.g. composition shingle, shake, light-weight tile, etc.) and pitch
- ☐ Details of PV panel mounting hardware attachment to the roof framing member
- ☐ Contractor registered with Kennedale – Check registration status by emailing permits@cityofkennedale.com
- ☐ Completed, **legible**, signed application form
- ☐ On or executed interconnection agreement





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Peer Check-in

Peer check-in prompts & poll

Please share in the chat:

- Your name
- The community you represent
- Your title
- Any initial questions or thoughts



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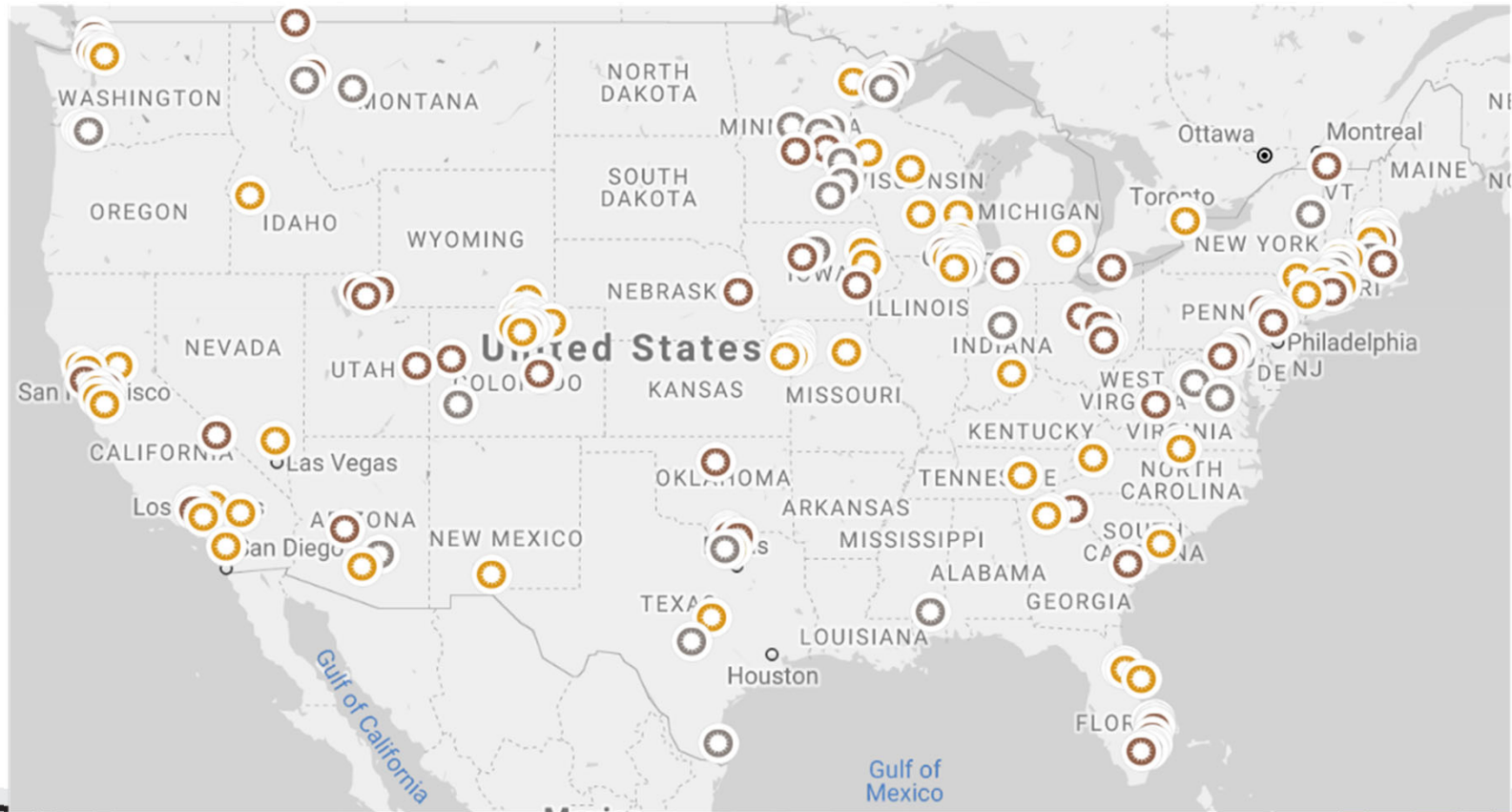
Solar Permitting & Inspection Best Practices



SolSmart Permitting and Inspection

Improving Permit Review and
Inspection for Small Solar Systems

SOLSMART COMMUNITY MAP



SIMPLIFIED PV PERMIT GUIDELINES

- The information in these guidelines are intended to provide a format whereby local jurisdictions and contractors can permit simple PV system installations where only a basic review is necessary.
- It is likely that most residential and some small commercial PV systems will comply with these simple criteria that address the requirements for PV systems in the building, electrical, and fire codes.

PV+ESS Permitting Guidelines

SEPTEMBER 2021

NATIONAL SIMPLIFIED RESIDENTIAL PV AND ENERGY STORAGE PERMIT GUIDELINES



Guideline Contents

- Defines the size, electrical, structural, and fire safety requirements for solar installations to qualify for simplified permitting.
- Enable applicants to “fill in the blanks” to explain the structural details of a rooftop solar PV system.
- Enable applicants to “fill in the blanks” to explain the electrical configuration of a solar PV system.

CURRENT LAWS, REGS & CODES

- NEC Article 690, 705, 706, and chapters 1-4
- IRC R324, R328
- IBC 1505
- IFC 1205, 1207
- ASCE 7-10, 7-16, 7-20

Purposes of Simplified Permitting

- A simplified, expedited permit process for small solar PV systems simplifies and consolidates the structural, electrical and fire review of the PV system
- It can eliminate the need for detailed engineering studies and often avoids unnecessary delays
- It is not the intent of an expedited process to circumvent the engineering process
- It is to recognize the similarities among these smaller systems and establish guidelines to determine when a PV project is within the boundaries of typical, well-engineered systems that are clearly compliant with electrical and building codes.

SIMPLIFIED PV PERMIT GUIDELINES

- Step 1: Gather required information for permit:
 - 1. Permit application required by the local jurisdiction. Permit applications normally include information about the project scope, project location, and the installer.
 - 2. Site plan showing location of major components on the property. This drawing need not be exactly to scale, but it should represent relative location of components at site (see supplied example site plan). PV arrays in compliance with IRC fire setback requirements need no separate fire service review (with Fire Service MOU).

SIMPLIFIED PV PERMIT GUIDELINES

- Gather required information for permit (cont.):
- 3. Electrical worksheets showing PV array configuration, wiring system, overcurrent protection, inverter, disconnects, required signs, and ac connection to building (see supplied standard electrical diagram).
- 4. Specification sheets and installation manuals (if available) for all major PV system components such as, PV modules, dc-to-dc converters, inverters, and mounting systems.

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Step 1: Gather Required Information for Permit

1.	Permit application required by the local jurisdiction: Permit applications normally include information about the project scope, project location, and the installer.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Site plan showing location of major components on the property: This drawing need not be exactly to scale, but it should represent relative location of components at site (see supplied example site plan). PV arrays in compliance with IRC fire setback requirements. Energy storage in acceptable locations.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Electrical worksheets showing PV array configuration, wiring system, overcurrent protection, ESS components, inverters, disconnects, required signs, and AC connection to building (see supplied standard electrical diagram).	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Specification sheets and installation manuals (if available) for all major PV system components such as: PV modules, DC-to-DC converters, ESS components, inverters, and mounting systems.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Step 2: PV System Electrical Code Installation Requirements

1.	Major electrical components including PV modules, DC-to-DC converters, and inverters, are identified for use in PV systems.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Array mounting system UL2703 certified for bonding and grounding. Alternatively, the array mounting system may incorporate UL2703 grounding devices to bond separate exposed metal parts together or to the equipment grounding conductor.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	The PV array consists of no more than 2 series strings per inverter input and no more than 4 series strings in total per inverter.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Field-installed PV array wiring meets the following requirements (all boxes must be checked): <input type="checkbox"/> a. All exposed PV source circuit wiring is no smaller than 12 AWG PV Wire or MFG Cable. <input type="checkbox"/> b. All PV source circuit wiring in raceway is no smaller than 12 AWG THWN-2, XHHW-2, or RHW-2.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Equipment is rated for the maximum DC voltage applied to the equipment (put N/A in all blanks that do not apply to the specific installation): <input type="checkbox"/> a. ASHRAE Extreme Annual Mean Minimum Design Dry Bulb Temperature (one source is https://energyresearch.ucf.edu/solar-certification/solar-reference-map/)= _____; Table 690.7 (NEC) value _____ <input type="checkbox"/> b. Max module Voc (adjusted at minimum temperature): Rated Voc _____ V x Table 690.7 value _____ = _____ V <input type="checkbox"/> c. DC-to-DC converter(s) or microinverter rated maximum input voltage: _____ V (must be greater than Max module Voc in (b.)) <input type="checkbox"/> d. Maximum number of DC-to-DC converters allowed in series (up to 600Vdc): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> e. Maximum voltage of DC-to-DC converter circuit with maximum number in (c.): _____ V <input type="checkbox"/> f. Inverter(s) rated maximum input voltage: _____ V (must be greater than g. below) <input type="checkbox"/> g. Inverter input max V: Max module Voc (b.) _____ V x max # in series _____ = _____ V	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	PV system circuits on buildings meet requirements for controlled conductors in 690.12.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	The PV system disconnecting means meets the requirements of 690.13.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Step 3: ESS Electrical Code Installation Requirements

1.	ESS is listed to UL9540 by a recognized testing laboratory (UL, Intertek, CSA, etc.).	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	ESS is installed according to manufacturer's installation instructions for the UL9540 listing.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	The *standard electrical diagrams can be used to accurately represent the ESS.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Step 4: ESS Residential Code Installation Requirements

1.	The individual ESS units are no larger than 20 kWh. Units installed meet one of the size and location limitations shown in items (2) and (3) below.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	The individual ESS units are installed are separated by 36" or are installed in accordance with approved large-scale fire testing results (UL 9540a or equivalent approved tests).	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Each ESS meets one of the size and location limitations shown below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> a. 80 kWh in attached garages separated from the dwelling unit living space in accordance with Section R302.6. <input type="checkbox"/> b. 80 kWh on exterior walls a minimum 3 feet (914 mm) from doors and windows directly entering the dwelling unit (garage doors and windows do not enter the dwelling unit). <input type="checkbox"/> c. 40 kWh within utility closets, basements, and storage or utility spaces with finished or noncombustible walls and ceilings. Walls and ceilings of unfinished wood-framed construction shall be provided with minimum 5/8 in. Type X gypsum. <input type="checkbox"/> d. 80 kWh in detached garages and detached accessory structures. <input type="checkbox"/> e. 80 kWh outdoors on the ground a minimum 3 feet (914 mm) from doors and windows directly entering the dwelling unit. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Where an ESS is installed in a garage, units are installed along side walls and units installed on end walls above 48" do not need vehicle protection. Where units are installed on end walls below 48", approved vehicle protection is installed (e.g., parking curb, barrier, bollard).	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Where required, smoke or heat alarms are installed.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Step 5: PV and ESS Electrical Code Interconnection Requirements

1.	The inverter installation meets the requirements of Article 705 (choose one below): <ul style="list-style-type: none">▢ Supply-side connection complying with 705.12(A)[2017 NEC]; 705.11[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side connection complying with 705.12(B)[2017 NEC]; 705.12[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side Power Control System connection complying with 705.13[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side distribution equipment listed to combine sources and supply loads	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	The *standard electrical diagrams can be used to accurately represent the PV or ESS or both. Diagrams can be found in the electrical commentary document.	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Fill out the standard electrical diagram completely. If the electrical system is more complex than the standard electrical diagram can effectively communicate, the project does not meet the requirements*

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Step 6 (Simplified): Structural PV Array Mounting Requirements

For jurisdictions that require detailed structural PV array mounting information, skip to Step 6 (Detailed)

1.	The weight of the PV system 4 lbs/sq ft. or less.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	The attachment points of the mounting system are staggered (no check requires low snow and wind load location).	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	The maximum spacing in inches between adjacent attachment points of the mounting system 48" or less (no check means that the spacing is no larger than 72" and requires no snow and low wind load location).	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	The array is on a single roof face (if no check, how many roof surfaces at different slopes and/or orientations will be used for installation? _____ (fill in)).	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	The PV array is flush mounted (parallel to roof).	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	If "5" not checked, is the maximum distance off the roof no greater than 10" (if no check, this process cannot be used).	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	The solar module and mounting system rated by the manufacturer to withstand the upward force of the local wind speed and evenly distribute load into the supporting structure at the proposed maximum spacing, and confirmed in UL 1703 or 61730, and 2703 listings (validated through the UL 1703 or 61730 module rating for mechanical load rating, and UL 2703 mounting system mechanical load rating).	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	The individual roof structure appears to be structurally sound, without signs of alterations or significant structural deterioration or sagging.	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.	What is the roof covering material? _____ (fill in blank)	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.	What is the slope of the roof surface? _____ (fill in blank)	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Step 6 (Detailed): Structural PV Array Mounting Requirements

This version of Step 6 is for jurisdictions requiring detailed structural PV array mounting information.

Both Framing-Attached and Sheathing-Attached Provisions

A. General Site and Array Requirements *(all square boxes must be checked; where slanted check box sub-options occur, one sub-option must be checked):*

1.	Wind Exposure and Design Wind Speed (as defined by ASCE 7, select one below): <input type="checkbox"/> a. Framing-Attached System: Exposure B or C, and design wind speed does not exceed 180mph. <input type="checkbox"/> b. Sheathing-Attached System: see section G.7 for wind exposure and wind speed limits.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	The structure is not in Wind Exposure D (within 200 yards of a water body wider than a mile).	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	The structure is not on a hill with a grade steeper than 5%, where topographic effects can significantly increase wind loads.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Ground snow loads do not exceed 60 psf.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Distributed weight of the PV array is less than 4 lbs/sq ft (less than 5 lbs/sq ft for thermal systems).	<input type="checkbox"/>

B. Roof Information *(all must apply):*

1.	Array is mounted on a permitted, one- or two-family roof structure or similar structure. <i>For a roof without a building permit, show compliance with International Residential Code (IRC) span tables.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Roof is framed with wood rafters or trusses at no greater than 48" on center. Roof framing members run upslope/downslope (not horizontal purlins).	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Roof structure appears to be structurally sound, without signs of alterations or significant structural deterioration or sagging.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Sheathing is at least 7/16" or thicker plywood, or 7/16" or thicker oriented strand board (OSB).	<input type="checkbox"/>

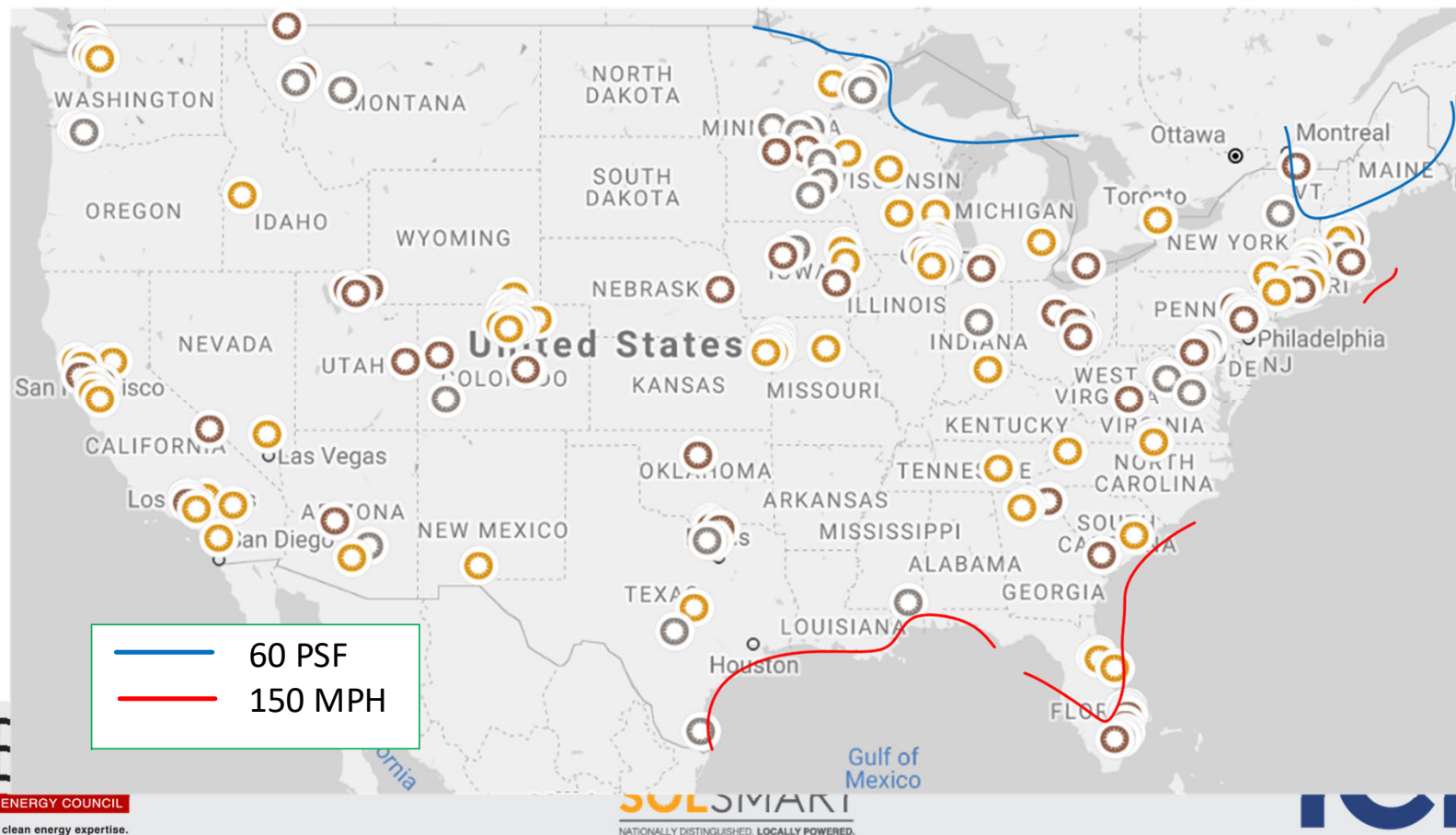
The “Box” to Qualify Simple Permits

- PV system uses standard diagrams
- One- and two-family rooftop installations or structure of same construction.
- String inverter, dc converter, or microinverter
- Complies with eligibility checklist

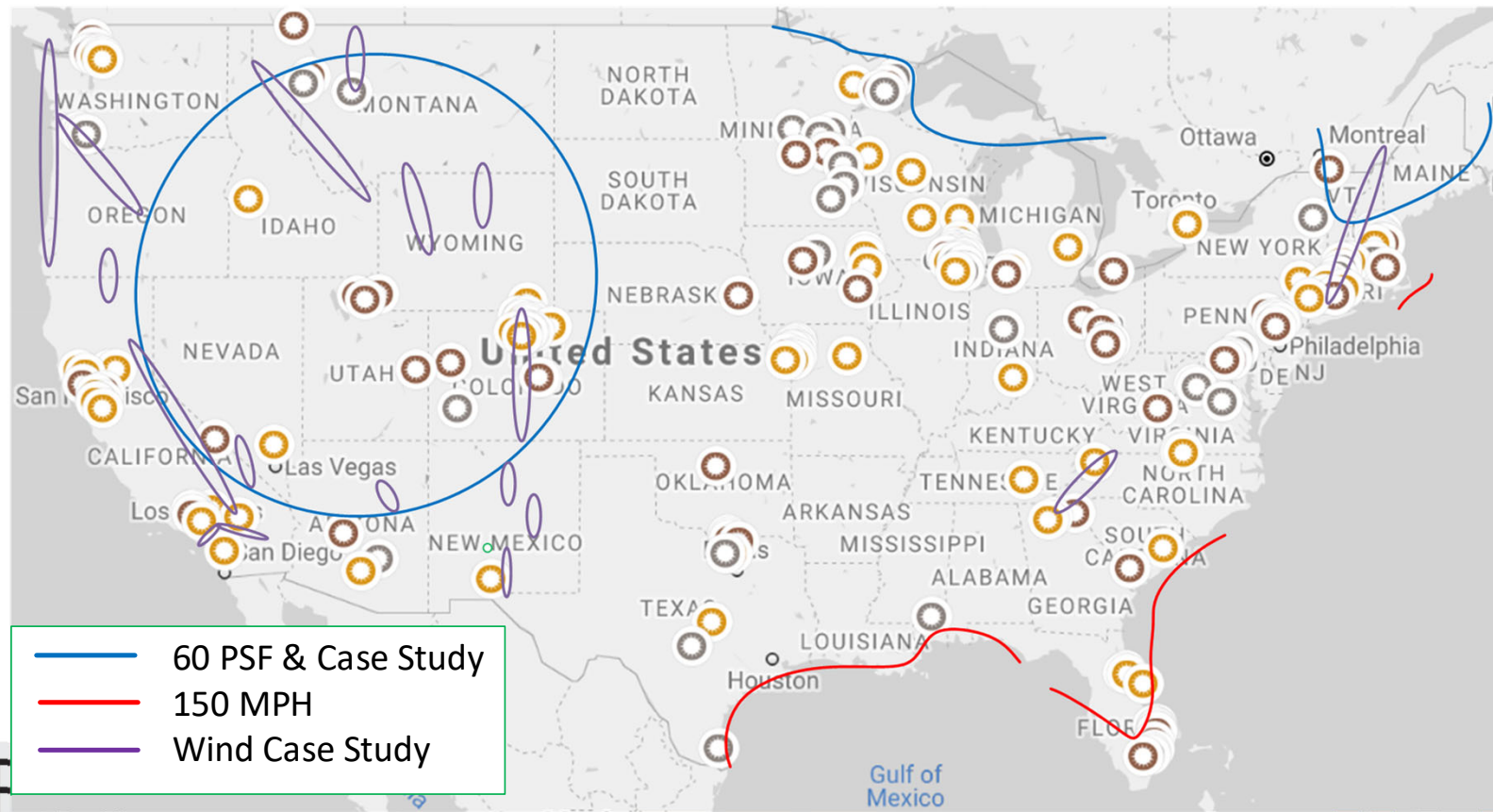
Overall Limitations of Location

- Snow load no greater than 60 PSF (pounds per square foot).
- Wind load no greater than 150 MPH

Guidelines Cover Most of 48 States



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Member Attached Limitations

- Snow load no greater than 60 PSF (pounds per square foot).
- Wind load no greater than 150 MPH
- Not Exposure D (waterfront)
- Not on steep hill (5% grade)
- Roof mean height 40' or less
- Roof structure meets IRC
- No structural damage

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- Member-Attached PV Array Requirements:
- ☐ 1. Array is set back from all roof edges and ridge by at least twice the gap under the modules (or more, where fire access pathways are required).
- ☐ 2. Array does not cantilever over the perimeter anchors more than 19".
- ☐ 3. Gap under modules (roof surface to underside of module) is no greater than 10".
- ☐ 4. Gaps between modules are (select one below):
 - ☐ a. at least 0.25" on both short and long sides of modules, or
 - ☐ b. 0" on short side, and at least 0.50" on long sides.

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- Member-Attached PV Array Requirements (cont):
- ☐ 5. Mounting rail orientation or rail-less module long edges:
 - ☐ a. *run perpendicular to rafters or trusses, and attached to them*
- ☐ 6. The anchor/mount/stand-off spacing perpendicular to rafters or trusses:
 - ☐ a. *does not exceed 4'-0", and anchors in adjacent rows are staggered where rafters or trusses are at 24" or less on center*

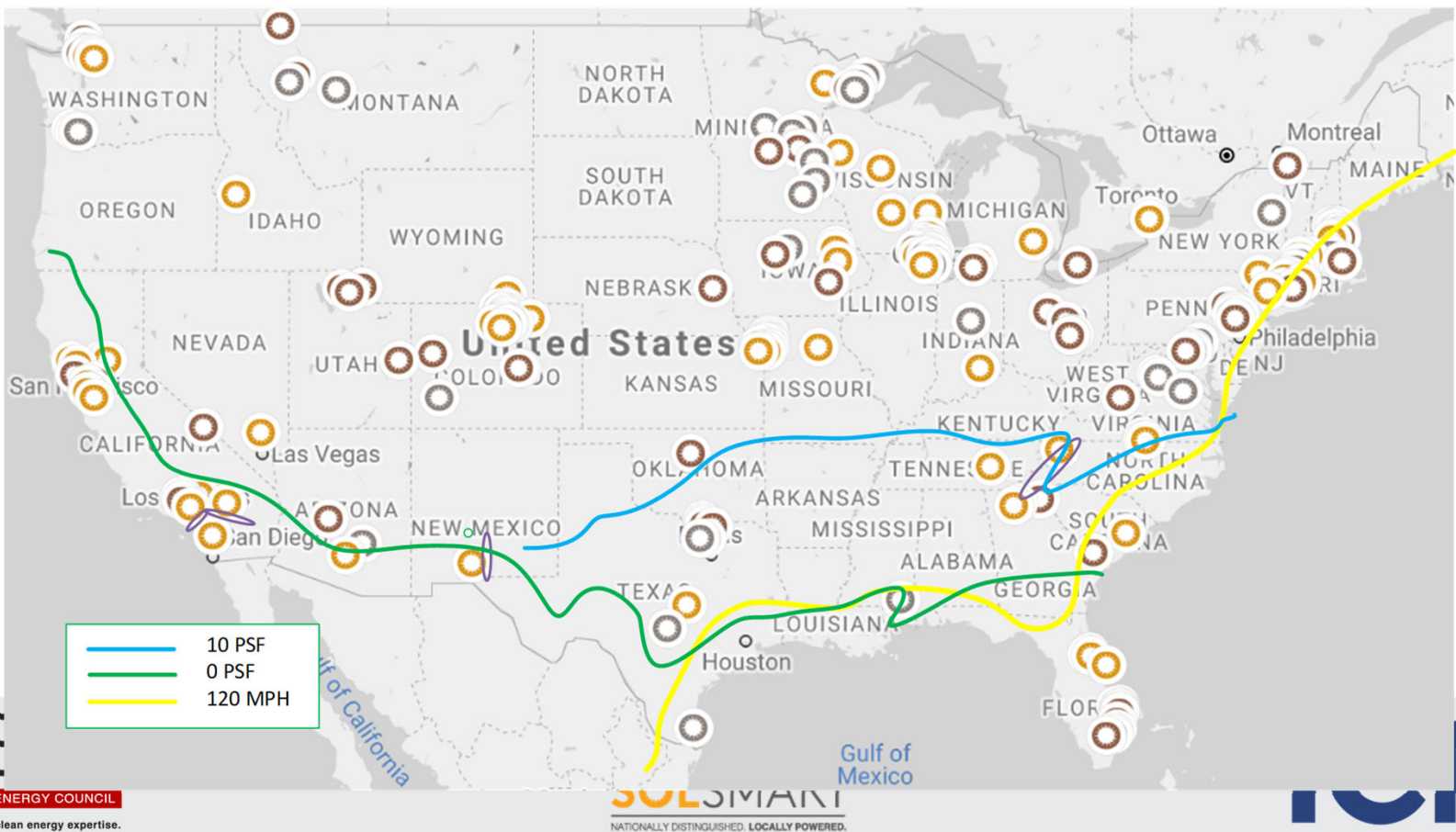
ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR SIMPLIFIED PV PERMITTING

- Member-Attached PV Array Requirements (cont):
- ☐ 7. Upslope/downslope anchor spacing follows manufacturer's instructions.
- ☐ 8. Anchor fastener is (select one below):
- ☐ a. 5/16" diameter lag screw with 2.5" embedment into structural member, or
- ☐ b. fastener other than (a.) embedded in structural members in accordance with manufacturer's structural attachment details. *Manufacturer's anchor layout requirements must not exceed the anchor spacing requirements shown in Items 5 and 6 above.*

Structural Summary Takeaway

1. Houses that were built in compliance with building structural codes, can support PV.
2. Single layer of roofing (no second layer of comp).
3. PV modules mounted within 2" and 10" of roof deck.
4. PV array distributed weight less than 4 lb/ft²
5. Typical rafter with supports 48" apart or closer (each anchor row mounted on alternating trusses) meet structural code requirements (represents most of housing stock).

Options for Low Snow and Wind



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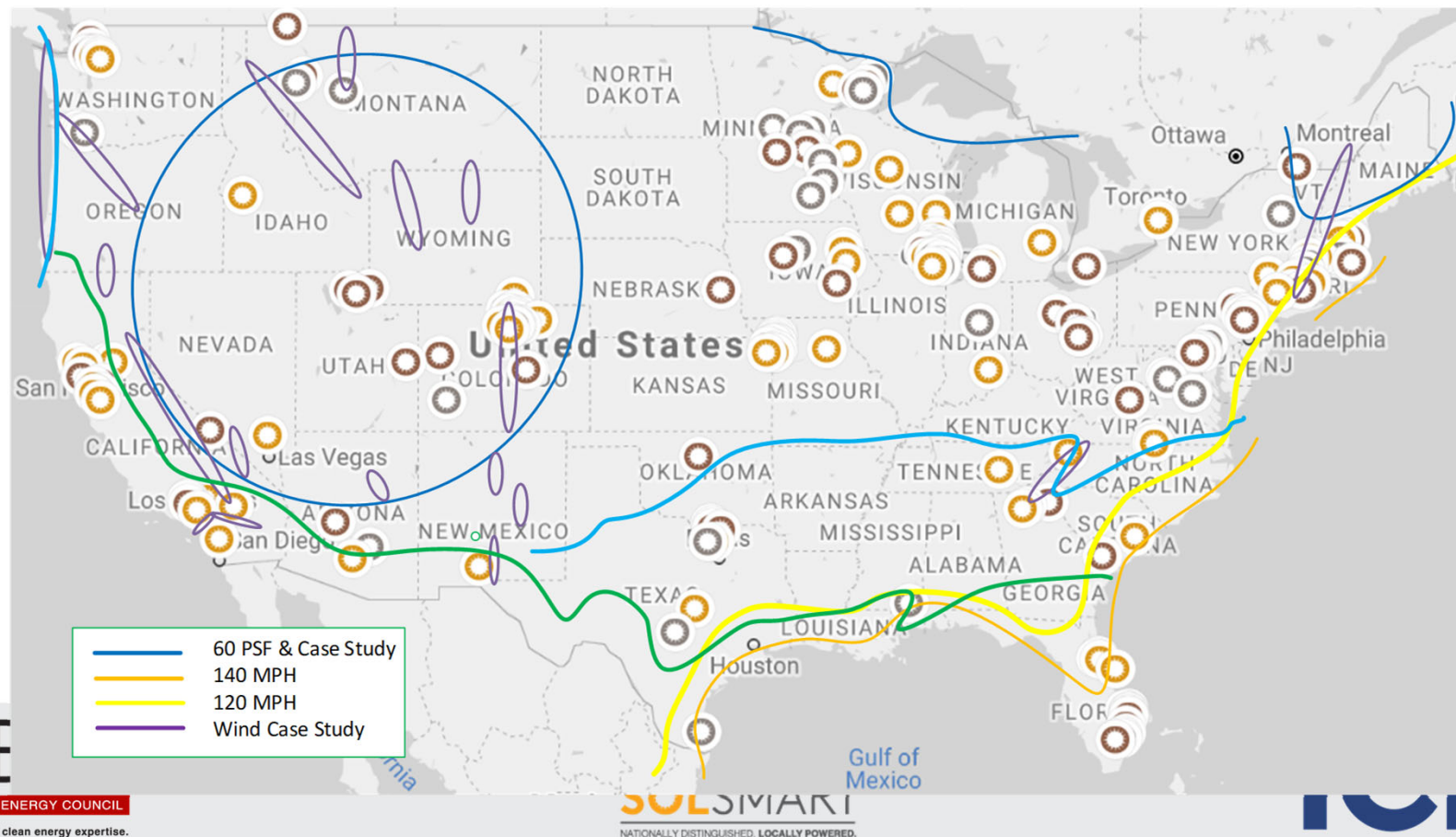
- Member-Attached PV Array Requirements (cont):

- ☐ 5. Mounting rail orientation or rail-less module long edges:
 - ☐ b. run parallel to rafters and are spaced no more than 4'-0" apart, Ground Snow Load is no greater than 10 psf, and Design Wind Speed does not exceed 120 mph.
- ☐ 6. The anchor/mount/stand-off spacing perpendicular to rafters or trusses (select one below):
 - ☐ a. does not exceed 4'-0", and anchors in adjacent rows are staggered where rafters or trusses are at 24" or less on center (see Figure), or
 - ☐ b. does not exceed 4'-0", anchor layout is orthogonal, roof slope is 6:12 or less, Ground Snow Load is no greater than 10 psf, and Design Wind Speed does not exceed 120 mph, or
 - ☐ c. does not exceed 6'-0", anchor layout is orthogonal, roof slope is 6:12 or less, Ground Snow Load is zero, and Design Wind Speed does not exceed 120 mph.

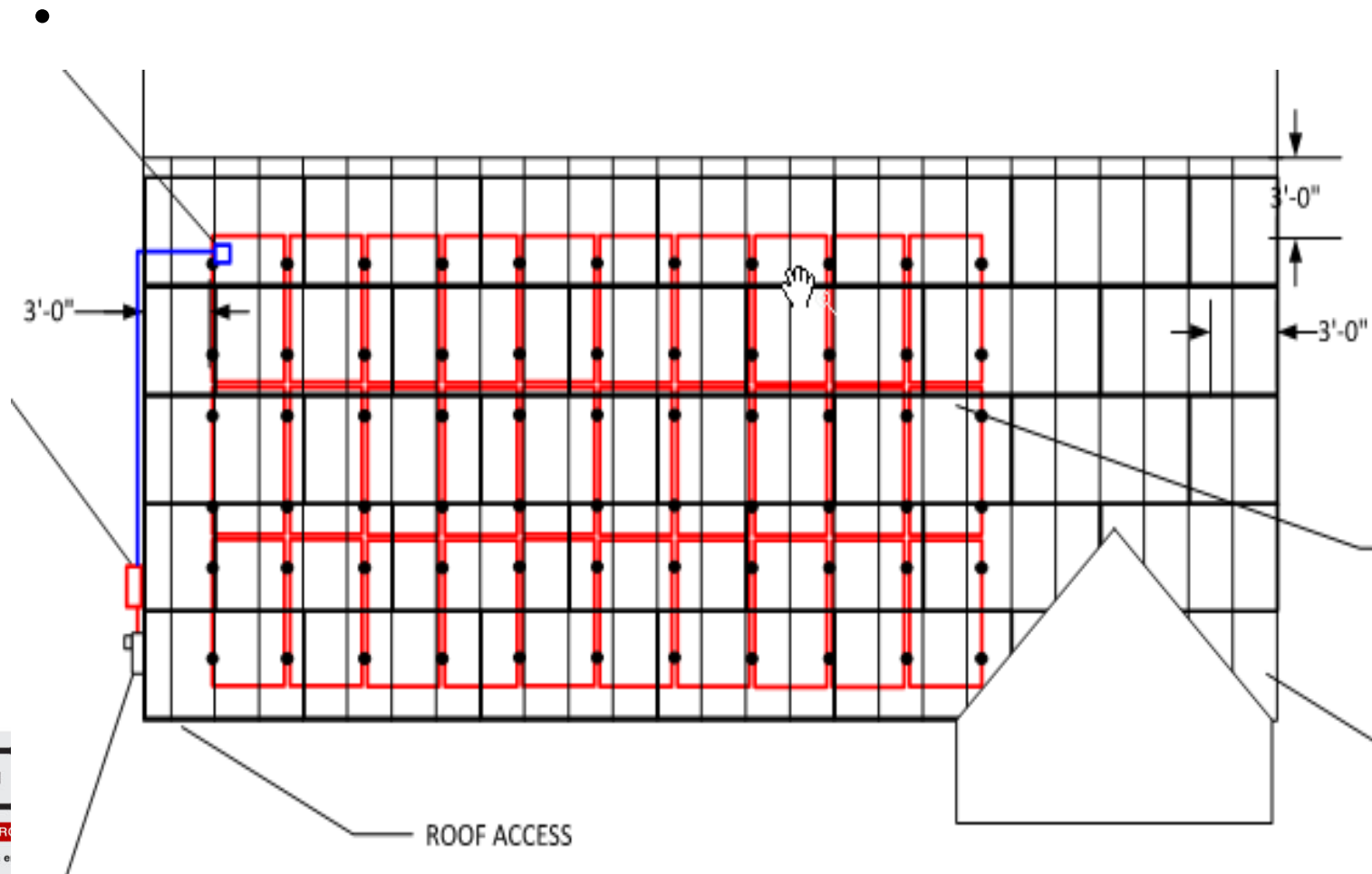
Sheathing Attached Limitations

- Snow load no greater than 60 PSF
- Wind load no greater than 140 MPH
- Not Exposure D (waterfront)
- Not on steep hill (5% grade)
- Roof mean height 30' or less
- Roof structure meets IRC
- Mfg Truss or Kiln Dry Rafters
- No structural damage
- Tributary area matters

Options for Sheathing Attached



BANDS OF STRENGTH—Middle 16" of Sheet



ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR SIMPLIFIED PV PERMITTING—Sheathing—No Bands of Strength

- ☐ a. Some anchors are not within bands of strength, and all the following (i., ii. & iii.) apply:
- ☐ i. Edge of array is more than 3 feet from any roof edge (Wind Zone 1), and
 - ☐ ii. Tributary area is 9 ft² or less (up to half the area of a 60 cell PV module), and
 - ☐ iii. Wind Exposure B only, and design wind speed does not exceed 120 mph.

ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR SIMPLIFIED PV PERMITTING—Sheathing—Bands of Strength

- ☐ *b. All anchors are within bands of strength, and all of the following (i., ii. & iii.) apply:*
 - ☐ *i. Edge of array is more than 3 feet from any roof edge (Wind Zone 1), and*
 - ☐ *ii. Tributary area is 14 ft² or less (40"x48").*
 - ☐ *iii. One of the two wind cases below (x. or y.) applies:*
 - ☐ *x. Exposure B, and design wind speed does not exceed 140 mph,*
or
 - ☐ *y. Exposure C, and design wind speed does not exceed 120 mph.*

ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR SIMPLIFIED PV PERMITTING

- ☐ 8. Anchor-to-sheathing connection has an allowable stress design (ASD) uplift capacity of at least 166 lbs. under short duration loading, which corresponds to a mean ultimate tested uplift capacity of at least 520 lbs.

GENERAL STATEMENT FOR CHECKLIST:

If any structural item cannot be checked off, the building official may require the installer to provide structural calculations and/or details, stamped and signed by a design professional, addressing the unchecked item.

ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR SIMPLIFIED PV PERMITTING

Step 2: Electrical PV System Requirements Checklist

For a simplified PV permit, following are the electrical requirements:

1. Major electrical components including PV modules, dc-to-dc converters, and inverters, are identified for use in PV systems.
2. Array mounting system UL2703 certified for bonding and grounding.
Alternatively, the array mounting system may incorporate UL2703 grounding devices to bond separate exposed metal parts together or to the equipment grounding conductor.
3. The PV array consists of no more than 2 series strings per inverter input and no more than 4 series strings in total per inverter.

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Step 2: PV System Electrical Code Installation Requirements

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4.	Field-installed PV array wiring meets the following requirements (all boxes must be checked): <input type="checkbox"/> a. All exposed PV source circuit wiring is no smaller than 12 AWG PV Wire or MFG Cable. <input type="checkbox"/> b. All PV source circuit wiring in raceway is no smaller than 12 AWG THWN-2, XHHW-2, or RHW-2.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Equipment is rated for the maximum DC voltage applied to the equipment (put N/A in all blanks that do not apply to the specific installation): <input type="checkbox"/> a. ASHRAE Extreme Annual Mean Minimum Design Dry Bulb Temperature (one source is https://energyresearch.ucf.edu/solar-certification/solar-reference-map/)= _____; Table 690.7 (NEC) value _____ <input type="checkbox"/> b. Max module Voc (adjusted at minimum temperature): Rated Voc _____ V x Table 690.7 value _____ = _____ V <input type="checkbox"/> c. DC-to-DC converter(s) or microinverter rated maximum input voltage: _____ V (must be greater than Max module Voc in (b.)) <input type="checkbox"/> d. Maximum number of DC-to-DC converters allowed in series (up to 600Vdc): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> e. Maximum voltage of DC-to-DC converter circuit with maximum number in (c.): _____ V <input type="checkbox"/> f. Inverter(s) rated maximum input voltage: _____ V (must be greater than g. below) <input type="checkbox"/> g. Inverter input max V: Max module Voc (b.) _____ V x max # in series _____ = _____ V	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	PV system circuits on buildings meet requirements for controlled conductors in 690.12.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	The PV system disconnecting means meets the requirements of 690.13.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Step 5: PV and ESS Electrical Code Interconnection Requirements

1.	The inverter installation meets the requirements of Article 705 (choose one below): <ul style="list-style-type: none">▢ Supply-side connection complying with 705.12(A)[2017 NEC]; 705.11[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side connection complying with 705.12(B)[2017 NEC]; 705.12[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side Power Control System connection complying with 705.13[2020 NEC]▢ Load-side distribution equipment listed to combine sources and supply loads	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	The *standard electrical diagrams can be used to accurately represent the PV or ESS or both. Diagrams can be found in the electrical commentary document.	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Fill out the standard electrical diagram completely. If the electrical system is more complex than the standard electrical diagram can effectively communicate, the project does not meet the requirements*

Interconnection—No MID

- 120% Option for Small PV and/or ESS
- 100% Option for Larger PV or PV+ESS. Split service into 2 breakers to 2 subpanels (sum of breakers option)
- PV and/or ESS as part of 6-handle Service Disconnecting Means (ESS within load calcs for service or PCS installed to protect service)
- Supply side option for PV (no ESS allowed)

Central/String Inverter Standard Plans

- Use this plan ONLY for central/string inverter systems with or without dc converters on the roof of a one- or two-family dwelling or similar structure.
- The photovoltaic system must interconnect to the load side of a 120/240Vac service panel rated 400A or less (80-amp PV breaker or less).
- Not intended for more than two inverters, or more than one dc combiner per inverter (non-inverter-integrated).

Example 1—7.6kW Central Inverter PV System

PV System Components

PV Modules

Qty. 27, 360W, American Solar AS360

Inverter

Qty. 1, 7.6 kW, American Inverter AI-7600

Mounting System

OmniRack ModMount 5.0; sheathing attached;

House

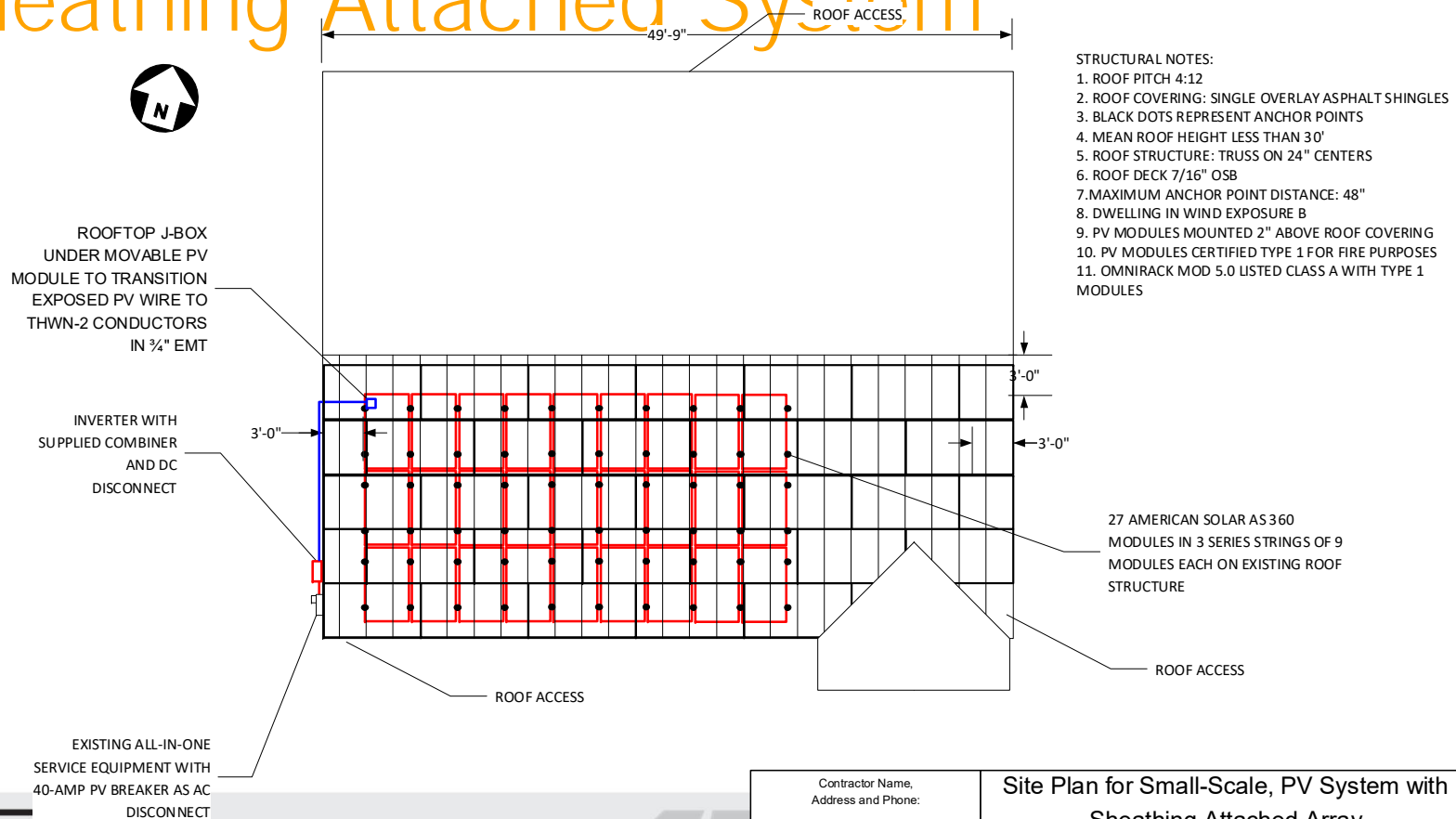
Roof Pitch 4:12; House built in 1988. Comp shingle roof.

[structurally compliant]

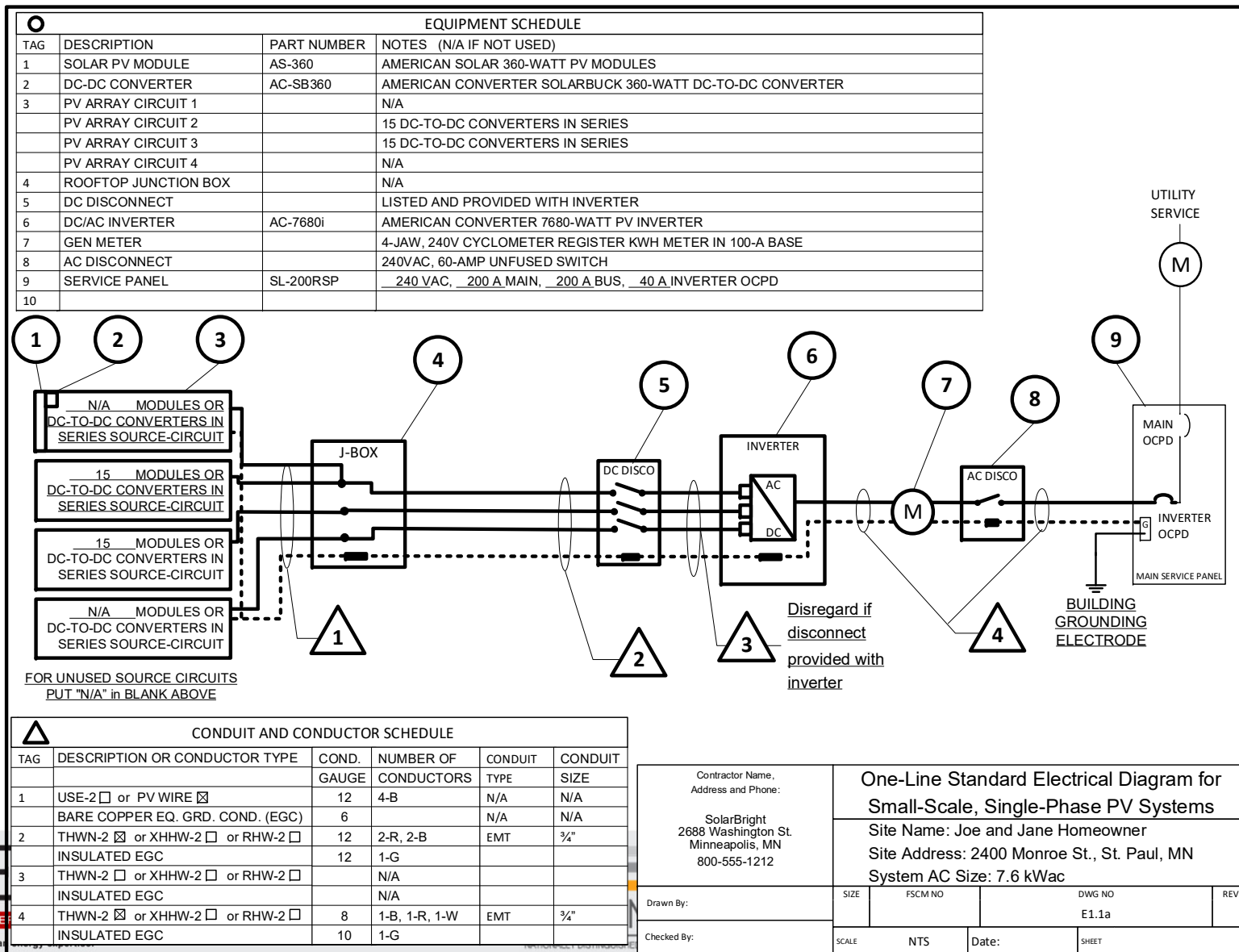
Form Fill-Out Demonstration

Compliance Document
Standard Plan—Simplified Central Inverter
Structural Criteria—compliant

Sheathing Attached System



Contractor Name, Address and Phone:		Site Plan for Small-Scale, PV System with Sheathing Attached Array			
SolarBright 789 Washington St. Alexandria, VA 800-555-1212		Site Name: Joe and Jane Homeowner			
Drawn By: Bill		Site Address: 1200 Monroe St., Alexandria, VA			
		System AC Size: 7.6 kW Solar Array			
SIZE	FSCM NO	DWG NO	REV		



PV MODULE RATINGS @ STC

MODULE MAKE	AMERICAN SOLAR
MODULE MODEL	AS-360
MAX POWER-POINT CURRENT (I_{MP})	9.1 A
MAX POWER-POINT VOLTAGE (V_{MP})	39.4 V
OPEN-CIRCUIT VOLTAGE (V_{OC})	47.4 V
SHORT-CIRCUIT CURRENT (I_{SC})	9.7 A
MAX SERIES FUSE (OCPD)	25 A
MAXIMUM POWER (P_{MAX})	360 W
MAX VOLTAGE (TYP 600V _{DC})	1000 V
VOC TEMP COEFF (mV/°C <input type="checkbox"/> or %/°C <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>)	-0.28

NOTE FOR ARRAY CIRCUIT WIRING

LOWEST EXPECTED AMBIENT TEMPERATURE
BASED ON ASHRAE MINIMUM MEAN EXTREME DRY
BULB TEMPERATURE FOR ASHRAE LOCATION
MOST SIMILAR TO INSTALLATION LOCATION:
LOWEST EXPECTED AMBIENT TEMP -27 °C

NOTES FOR INVERTER CIRCUITS

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SIGN FOR DISTRIBUTION PANELS

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SIGN FOR 120% OPTION (if used)

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SIGN FOR SUM OF BREAKERS OPTION (if used)

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DC-TO-DC CONVERTER RATINGS (if used)

CONVERTER MAKE	AMERICAN CONVERTER
CONVERTER MODEL	AI-360
MAX CURRENT	12 A
MAX VOLTAGE	80 V
MAXIMUM POWER	360 W
MAX OUTPUT CIRCUIT V (TYP 600V _{DC})	600 V

INVERTER RATINGS

INVERTER MAKE	AMERICAN CONVERTER
INVERTER MODEL	AC-7680i
MAX DC VOLT RATING	80 V
MAX POWER @ 40°C	7680 W
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V
MAX AC CURRENT	32 A
MAX OCPD RATING	40 A

*SIGN FOR PV DC DISCONNECT (if used)

PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SOURCE	
MAX VOLTAGE	575 V
MAX CIRCUIT CURRENT	15 A
MAX OUTPUT CURRENT	12 A
WARNING: ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD—LINE AND LOAD MAY BE ENERGIZED IN OPEN POSITION	

SIGN FOR PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT (if used)

PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT	
AC OUTPUT CURRENT	32 A
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V

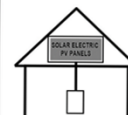
SIGN FOR ESS DISCONNECT (if used)

ESS DISCONNECT	
ESS VOLTAGE (AC OR DC)	240 Vac

SIGN FOR NEC 690.12 (if used—shaded is yellow)

**SOLAR PV SYSTEM EQUIPPED
WITH RAPID SHUTDOWN**

TURN RAPID SHUTDOWN
SWITCH TO THE
"OFF" POSITION TO
SHUTDOWN PV SYSTEM
AND REDUCE
SHOCK HAZARD
IN ARRAY



*NOTE: MICROINVERTER AND AC MODULE SYSTEMS
DO NOT NEED DC DISCONNECT SIGN SINCE MARKING
ON PV MODULE COVERS NEEDED INFORMATION

TITLE

Notes for One-Line Diagram
for PV and Energy Storage Systems

Site Name: Joe and Jane Homeowner
Site Address: 2400 Monroe St., La Crosse, WI
Size: 7.1KW NEW SOLAR; 7.6KW, 20KWH ESS

Contractor Name,
Address and Phone:

SolarBright
2688 Washington St.
Cary, NC
800-555-1212

DRAWN BY:
BILL

CHECKED BY:
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Microinverter Standard Plans--Scope

- Use this plan ONLY for systems using microinverters or ac modules (ACM), with no more than 4 output circuits, one PV module/microinverter, installed on the roof of a one- or two-family dwelling or similar structure.
- The PV system must interconnect to the load side of a 120/240Vac, service panel rated 400A or less (80-amp breaker or less).

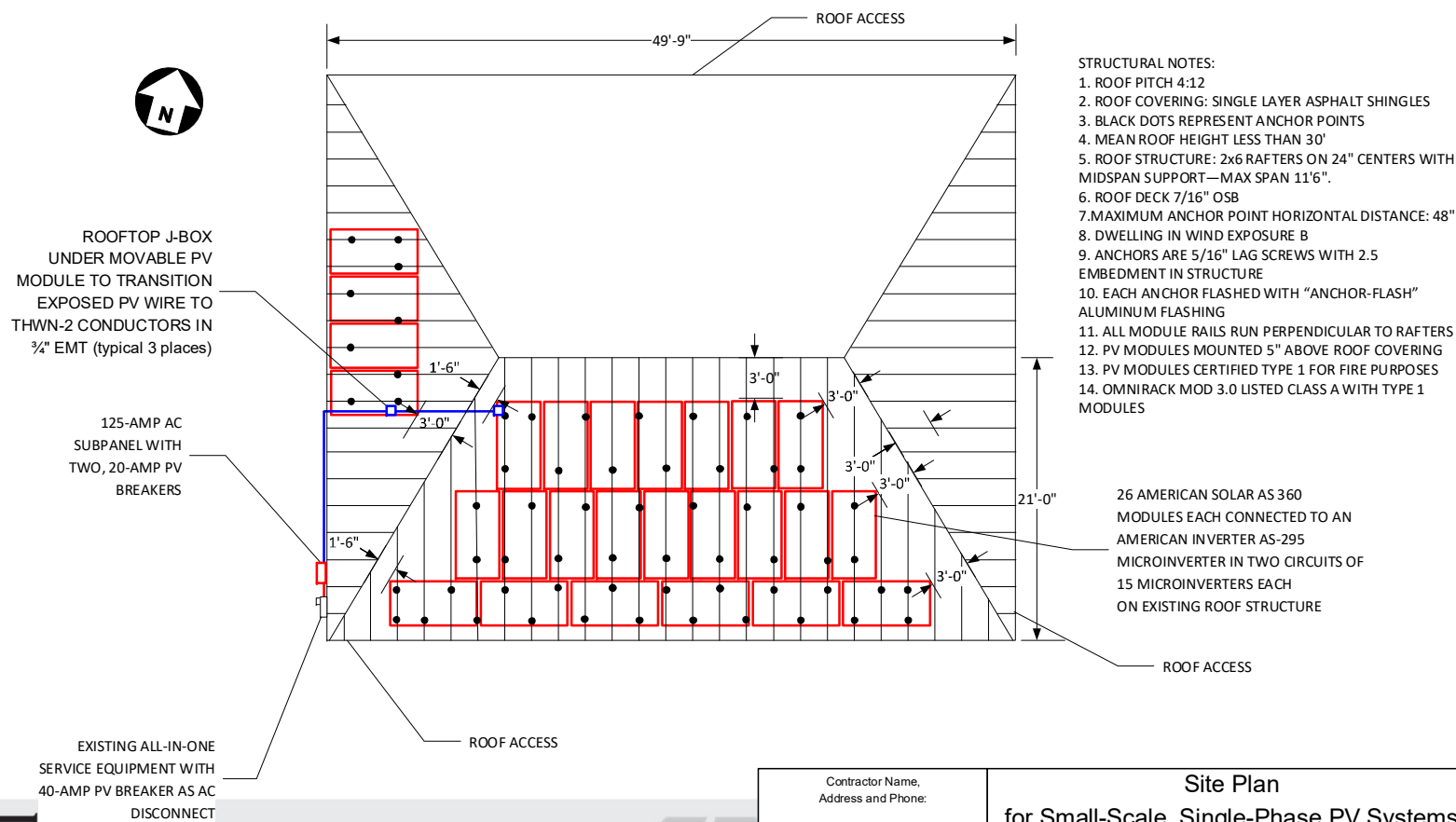
Example 2— 7.6kW Microinverter PV System

- PV System Components
 - PV Modules
 - Qty. 26, 360W, American Solar AS360
 - Inverters
 - Qty. 26, 295W, American Inverter AI-295
 - Mounting System
 - OmniRack ModMount 4.0; Maximum span 72”;
 - House
 - Roof Pitch 4:12; House built in 1988. Comp shingle roof. [structurally compliant]

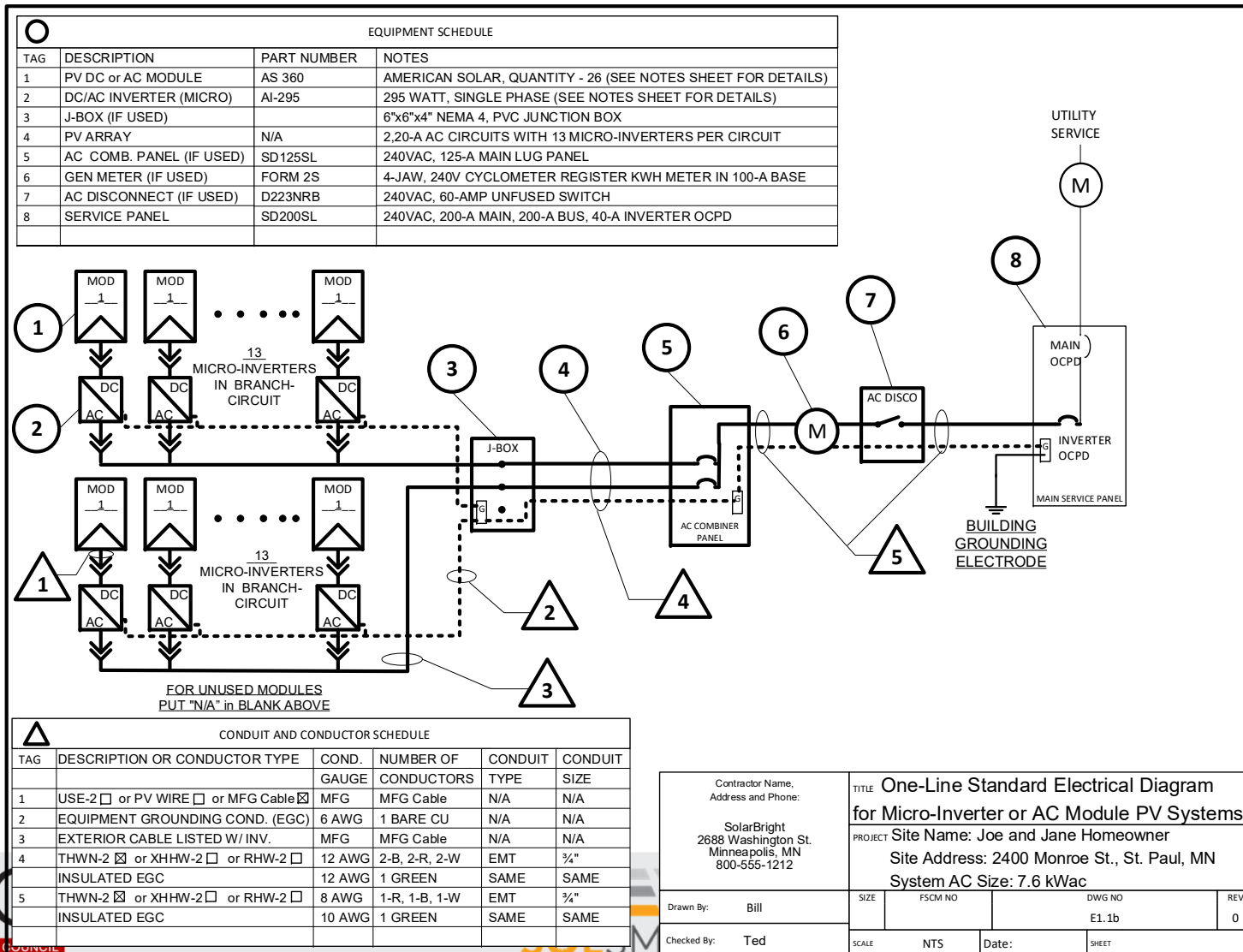
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Standard Plan—Simplified Microinverter
Structural Criteria (compliant)

Member Attached System



Contractor Name, Address and Phone:		Site Plan for Small-Scale, Single-Phase PV Systems			
SolarBright 1234 Washington St. Alexandria, VA 800-555-1212		Site Name: Joe and Jane Homeowner			
Drawn By: Bill		Site Address: 12 Monroe St, Alexandria, VA			
SIZE		System AC Size: 7.6 kW Solar Array			
FSCM NO		DWG NO		REV	
		S1.1a		0	



PV MODULE RATINGS @ STC

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DC-TO-DC CONVERTER RATINGS (if used)

CONVERTER MAKE	
CONVERTER MODEL	
MAX CURRENT	
MAX VOLTAGE	
MAXIMUM POWER	
MAX OUTPUT CIRCUIT V (TYP 600V _{DC})	

INVERTER RATINGS

INVERTER MAKE	AMERICAN CONVERTER
INVERTER MODEL	AC-295i
MAX DC VOLT RATING	80 V
MAX POWER @ 40°C	295 W
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V
MAX AC CURRENT	1.23 A
MAX OCPD RATING	20 A

*SIGN FOR PV DC DISCONNECT (if used)

PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SOURCE	
MAX VOLTAGE	V
MAX CIRCUIT CURRENT	A
MAX OUTPUT CURRENT	A
WARNING: ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD—LINE AND LOAD MAY BE ENERGIZED IN OPEN POSITION	

SIGN FOR PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT (if used)

PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT	
AC OUTPUT CURRENT	32 A
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V

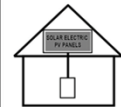
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ESS DISCONNECT	
ESS VOLTAGE (AC OR DC)	240 Vac

SIGN FOR NEC 690.12 (if used—shaded is yellow)

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SIGN FOR SUM OF BREAKERS OPTION (if used)

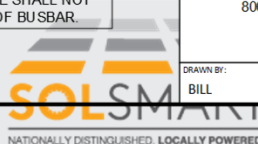
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Site Name: Joe and Jane Homeowner Site Address: 2400 Monroe St., La Crosse, WI Size: 7.1KW NEW SOLAR; 7.6KW, 20KWH ESS		DRAWN BY: BILL CHECKED BY: TED SCALE: NTS DATE: 15 JULY 2023 DWG NO: PVSS 1.2a REV NO: 0	



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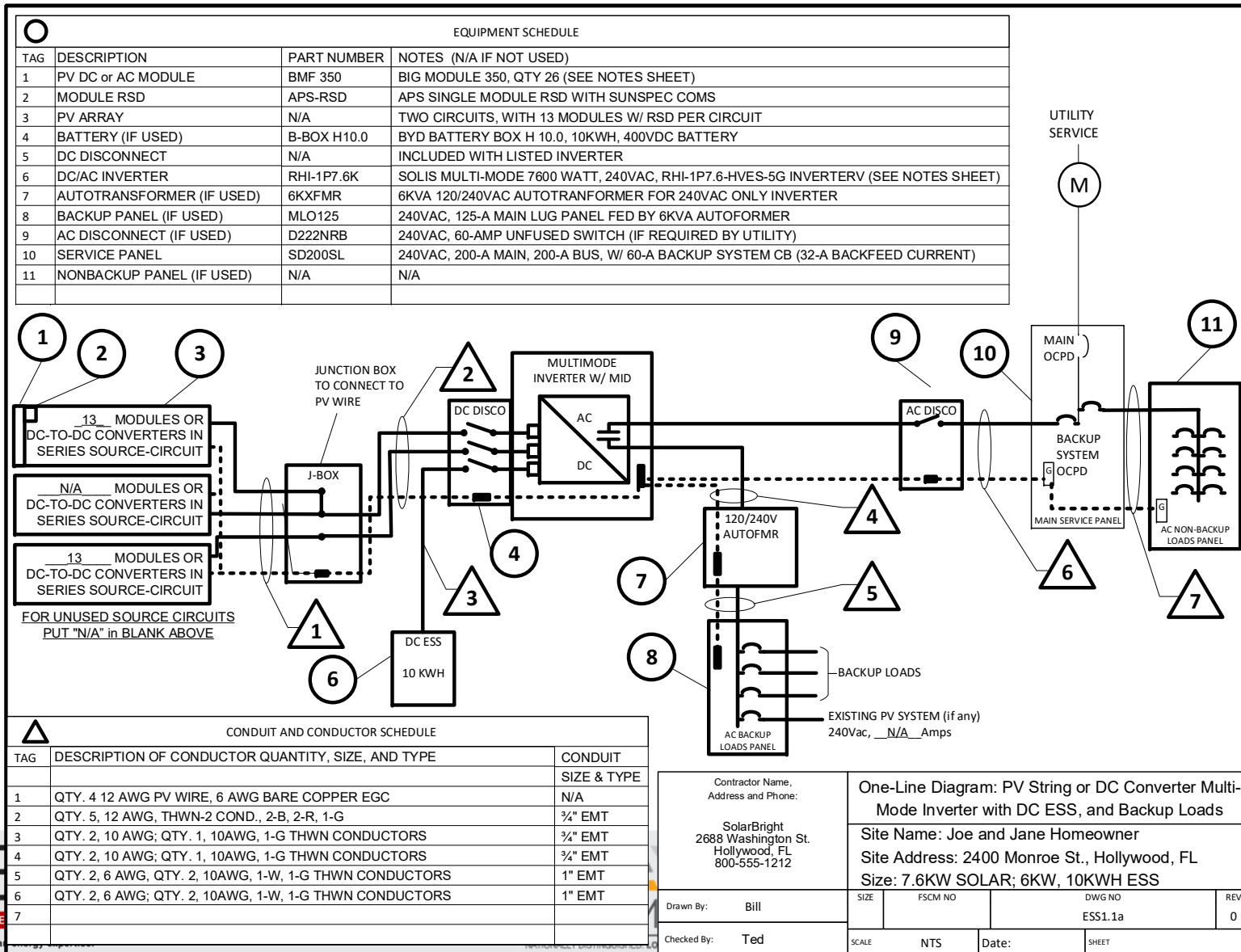


Recently released!

New ESS Permitting Guidelines for Residential Energy Storage with PV

Interconnection—MID in Inverter

- 120% Option for Small PV and/or ESS
- 100% Option for Larger PV or PV+ESS. Split service into 2 breakers to 2 subpanels (sum of breakers option)
- PV and/or ESS as part of 6-handle Service Disconnecting Means (ESS within load calcs for service or PCS installed to protect service)



Interconnection at MID

- 120% Option for Small PV or ESS
- 100% Option for Larger PV or PV+ESS. Split service into 2 breakers to 2 subpanels (MID on one of two breakers)
- Feed to MID as part of 6-handle Service Disconnecting Means
- Service disconnect at new MID

1 N/A MODULES OR DC-TO-DC CONVERTERS IN SERIES SOURCE-CIRCUIT

2 13 MODULES OR DC-TO-DC CONVERTERS IN SERIES SOURCE-CIRCUIT

3 13 MODULES OR DC-TO-DC CONVERTERS IN SERIES SOURCE-CIRCUIT

4 N/A MODULES OR DC-TO-DC CONVERTERS IN SERIES SOURCE-CIRCUIT

FOR UNUSED SOURCE CIRCUITS PUT "N/A" IN BLANK ABOVE

JUNCTION BOX TO CONNECT TO PV WIRE

DC DISCO

INTERACTIVE INVERTER

AC DISCO

3

8

9

MID

5

M

SERVICE METER

10

1

2

6

ESS PW2

ESS PW2

ESS N/A

ESS N/A

BACKUP LOADS

EXISTING PV SYSTEM (if any) 240Vac, 32_Amps

AUTOTRANSFORMER FOR 240V ONLY INVERTERS: 120V MAX LOAD N/A VA

AC BACKUP LOADS PANEL

BUILDING GROUNDING ELECTRODE

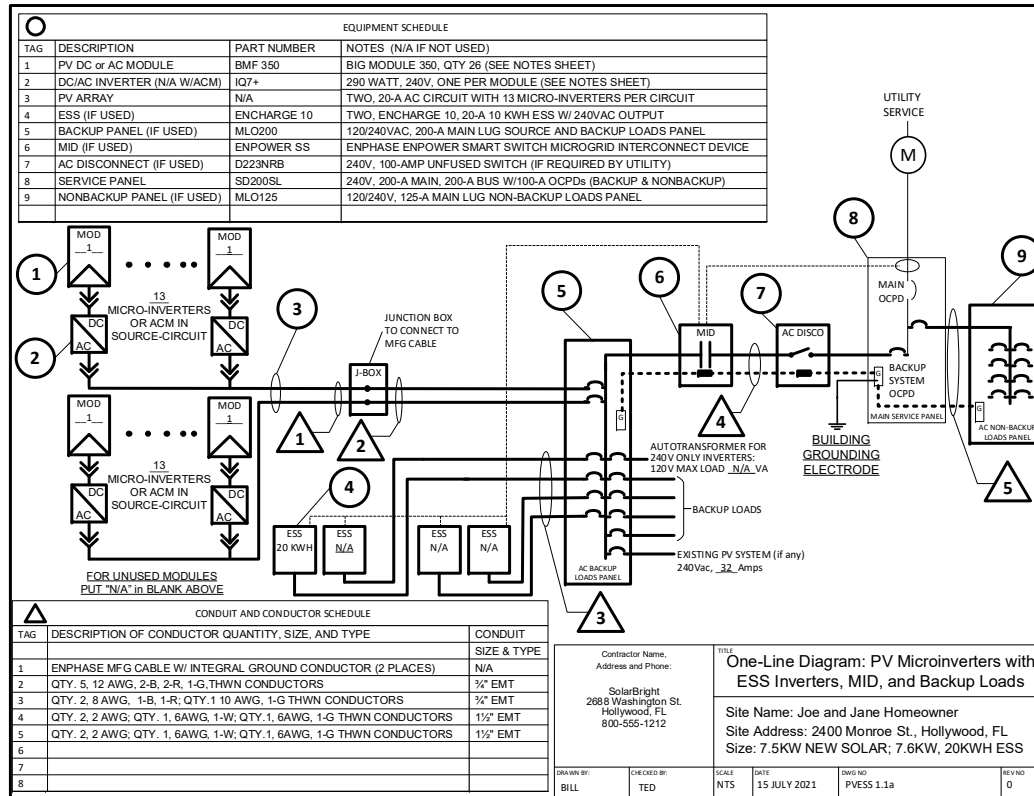
AC NON-BACKUP LOADS PANEL

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TAG	DESCRIPTION OF CONDUCTOR QUANTITY, SIZE, AND TYPE	CONDUIT
	CONDUIT AND CONDUCTOR SCHEDULE	

Contractor Name, Address and Phone: SolarBright 2688 Washington St. Hollywood, FL 800-555-1212	One-Line Diagram: PV String Inverter with ESS Inverters, MID, and Backup Loads			
	Site Name: Joe and Jane Homeowner Site Address: 2400 Monroe St., Hollywood, FL Size: 7.5KW NEW SOLAR; 10KW, 27KWH ESS			
Drawn By: Bill	SIZE	FSCM NO	DWG NO ESS1.1c	REV 0
Checked By: Ted	SCALE	NTS	Date:	SHEET



PV MODULE RATINGS @ STC	
MODULE MAKE	AMERICAN SOLAR
MODULE MODEL	AS-360
MAX POWER-POINT CURRENT (I_{mp})	9.1 A
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VOC TEMP COEFF (mV/°C or %/°C)	-0.28

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DC-TO-DC CONVERTER RATINGS (if used)

CONVERTER MAKE	
CONVERTER MODEL	
MAX CURRENT	
MAX VOLTAGE	
MAXIMUM POWER	
MAX OUTPUT CIRCUIT V (TYP 600V _{DC})	

INVERTER RATINGS

INVERTER MAKE	AMERICAN CONVERTER
INVERTER MODEL	AC-2951
MAX DC VOLT RATING	80 V
MAX POWER @ 40°C	295 W
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V
MAX AC CURRENT	1.23 A
MAX OCPD RATING	20 A

SIGN FOR SUM OF BREAKERS OPTION (if used)

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***SIGN FOR PV DC DISCONNECT (if used)**

PHOTOVOLTAIK POWER SOURCE	
MAX VOLTAGE	V
MAX CIRCUIT CURRENT	A
MAX OUTPUT CURRENT	A
WARNING: ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD—LINE AND LOAD MAY BE ENERGIZED IN OPEN POSITION	

SIGN FOR PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT (if used)

PV SYSTEM DISCONNECT	
AC OUTPUT CURRENT	32 A
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V

SIGN FOR ESS DISCONNECT (if used)

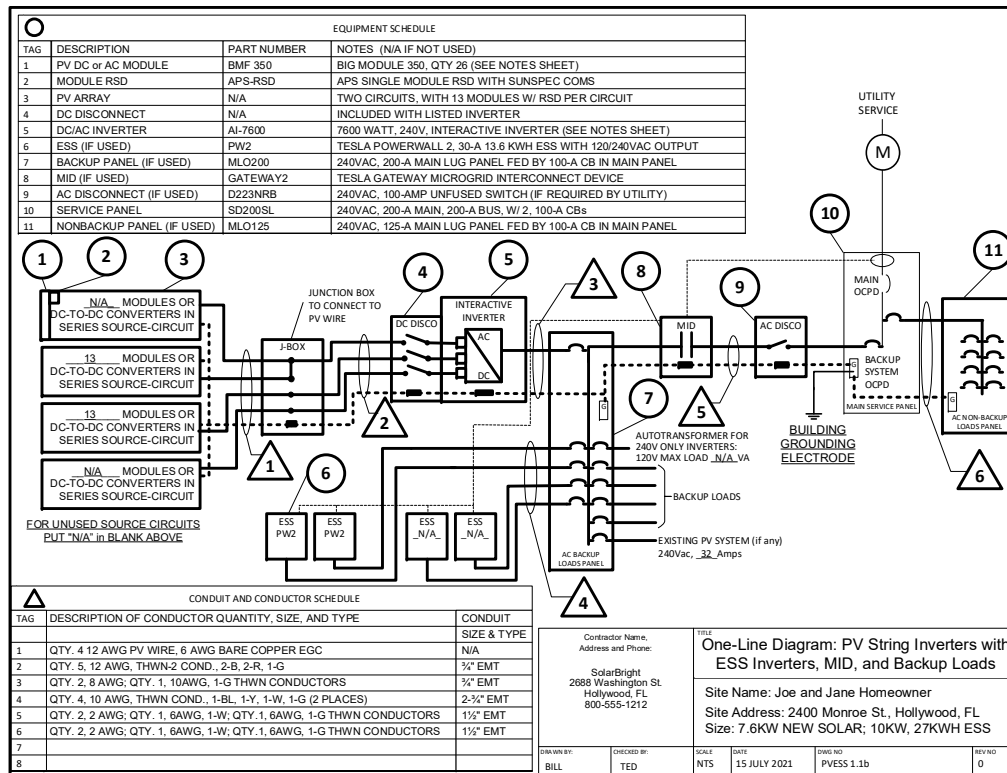
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ESS VOLTAGE (AC OR DC)	240 Vac

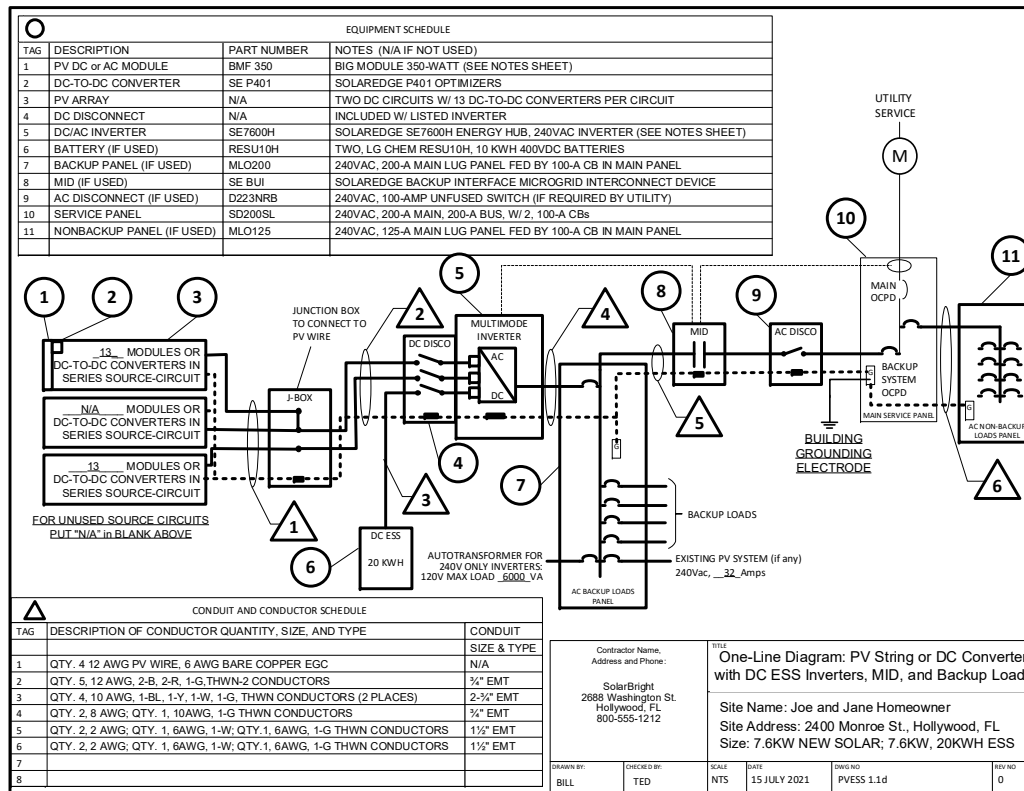
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SOLAR PV SYSTEM EQUIPPED WITH RAPID SHUTDOWN	
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DRAWN BY: BILL	CHECKED BY: TED	SCALE NTS	DATE 15 JULY 2021
		DWG NO PVSS 1.2 a	REV NO 0





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VOC TEMP COEFF (mV/°C <input type="checkbox"/> or %/°C <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-0.28

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LOWEST EXPECTED AMBIENT TEMP -12 °C

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CONVERTER MODEL	AT-360
MAX CURRENT	12 A
MAX VOLTAGE	80 V
MAXIMUM POWER	360 W
MAX OUTPUT CIRCUIT V (TYP 600V _{DC})	600 V

INVERTER RATINGS

INVERTER MAKE	AMERICAN CONVERTER
INVERTER MODEL	AC-7680i
MAX DC VOLT RATING	80 V
MAX POWER @ 40°C	7680 W
NOMINAL AC VOLTAGE	240 V
MAX AC CURRENT	32 A
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SolarBright
2688 Washington St.
Cary, NC
800-555-1212

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15 JULY 2021

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Notes for DC-to-DC Converter System

SOLSMART
NATIONALLY DISTINGUISHED. LOCALLY POWERED.

ICMA

Inspection Guide for PV Systems—Field Guide

Make sure all PV system ac/dc disconnects and circuit breakers are in the open position and verify the following.

**SHOULD BE “OFF” TO
START THE INSPECTION**



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1. All work done in a neat and workmanlike manner (NEC 110.12)



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**NO CONDUCTORS HANGING
DOWN ATTRACTING
ATTENTION OR DEBRIS**



1. All work done in a neat and workmanlike manner (NEC 110.12)

GOOD



BAD



UGLY



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2. PV module model number, quantity and location (also neat and workmanlike)



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SOLSMART
NATIONALLY DISTINGUISHED. LOCALLY POWERED.

ICMA

2. PV module model number, quantity and location (bad structurally and aesthetically)





3. Array mounting system/structural connections according to approved plan.
4. Roof penetrations flashed/sealed according to the approved plan.

5. Array exposed cables are properly secured, supported and routed to prevent physical damage.



**POORLY ROUTED
UNSECURED AND LAYING ON
ROOF SURFACE AND VENT**

5. Array exposed cables are properly secured, supported and routed to prevent physical damage.



6. Conduit correctly installed and according to IRC R331.3 and NEC 690.4(F).

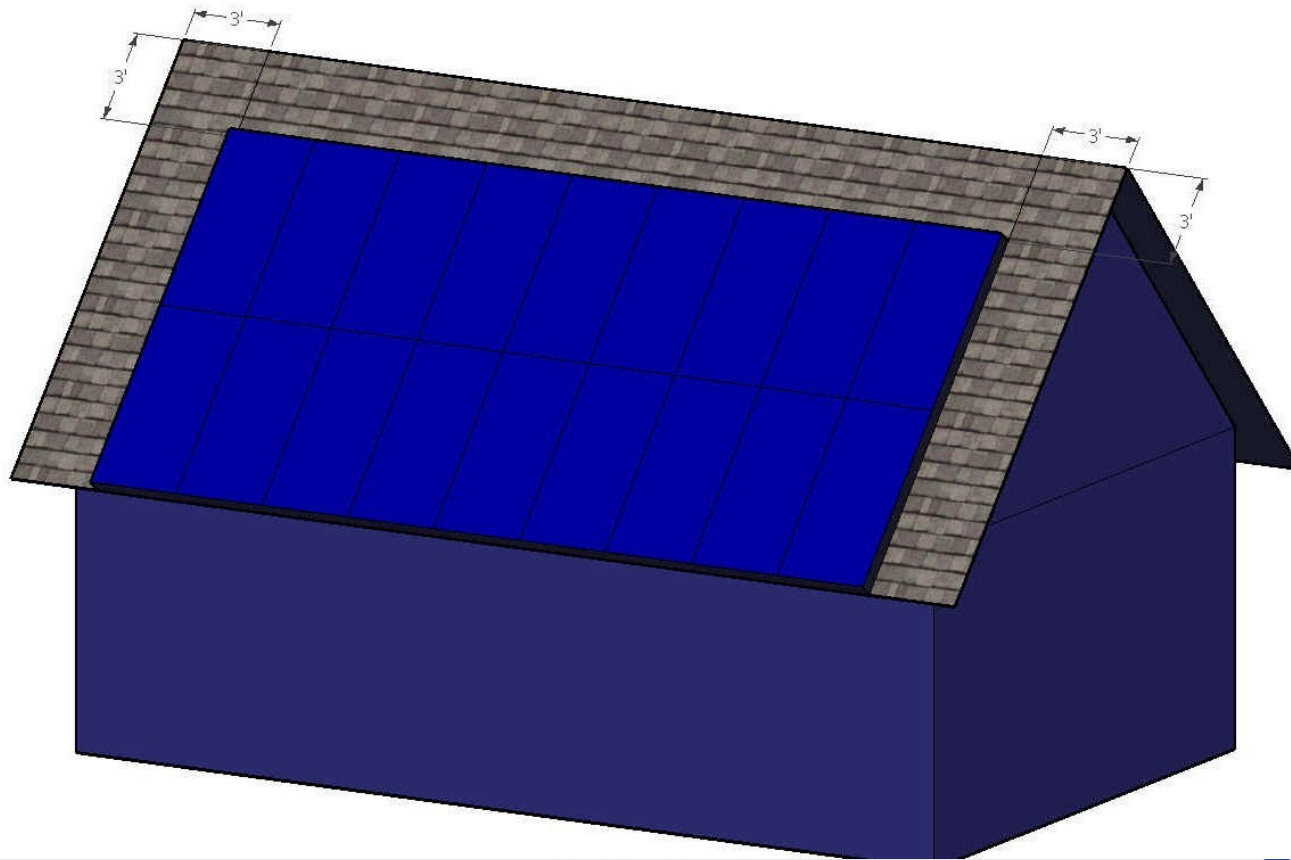


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7. Firefighter access according to approved plan.



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8. Roof-mounted PV systems have the required fire classification

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Certificate Number 20150102 - E346702
Report Reference E346702 - 20140208
Issue Date 2015-JANUARY-02

Issued to: ZEP SOLAR INC
161 Mitchell Blvd Ste 104
San Rafael, CA 94903-2085 USA

This is to certify that representative samples of Mounting Systems, Mounting Devices, Clamping Devices and Ground Lugs for Use with Photovoltaic Modules and Panels

Zep System (Steep Slope) with Type 1 modules

Have been investigated by UL in accordance with the Standard(s) indicated on this Certificate.

Standard(s) for Safety: UL 2703, "Outline of Investigation for Mounting Systems, Mounting Devices, Clamping/Retention Devices, and Ground Lugs for Use with Flat-Plate Photovoltaic Modules and Panels."

Additional Information: See the UL Online Certifications Directory at www.ul.com/database for additional information

The Zep System (Steep Slope) achieved a system fire classification (A) when tested in combination with UL 1702

Only those products bearing the UL Certification and Follow-Up Service.

Look for the UL Certification Mark on the

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Any information and documentation including UL Mark services are provided
contact a local UL Customer Service Representative at www.ul.com/contact



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PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE			
MODEL	KC120-1		
SER NO.	01632A1055		
DATE	2001.6		
IRRADIANCE AND CELL TEMPERATURE	1000W/m ² AM 1.5 25 °C	800W/m ² AM 1.5 47 °C	MAX. SYS. VOLT.
			600 V
Pmax	120 W	87 W	SERIES FUSE
Vpmax	16.9 V	15.2 V	
Ipmx	7.10 A	5.74 A	11 A
Voc	21.5 V	---	MASS
Isc	7.45 A	---	
			11.9 kg
UL LISTED 9P82		FIELD WIRING	FIRE RATING
		STRANDED COPPER ONLY 10-14 AWG INSULATED FOR 90°C	CLASS C



Certificate of Compliance

Certificate: 2593411

Master Contract: 257442

Project: 70016432

Date Issued: December 3, 2014

Issued to: SolarWorld AG

24 Martin Luther King Strasse
Bonn, North Rhine Westphalia 53175
Germany

The products listed below are eligible to bear the CSA Mark shown with adjacent indicators 'C' and 'US' for Canada and US or with adjacent indicator 'US' for US only or without either indicator for Canada only.



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Issued by: Tatjana Galonja-Stojasavljevic

PRODUCTS

CLASS 5311 10 - POWER SUPPLIES - Photovoltaic Modules and Panels

CLASS 5311 90 - POWER SUPPLIES - Photovoltaic Modules and Panels - Certified to US Standards

PART A:

Photovoltaic Modules with maximum system voltage of 600 V dc or 1000 V dc and with Fire Performance of Type 1, Model Series:

Sunmodule Plus SW, followed by 200, 205, 210, 215, 220, 225, 230, 235, 240, 245, 250, 255, 260, 265, 270, 275, 280, 285, 290, 295 or 300 followed by "mono", may be followed by "black".

Sunmodule Plus SW, followed by 200, 205, 210, 215, 220, 225, 230, 235, 240, 245, 250, 255, 260, 265, 270, 275 or 280 followed by "poly", may be followed by "black".

XL modules - "Sunmodule SW", followed by 260, 265, 270, 275, 280, 285, 290, 295, 300, 305, 310, 315, 320, 325, 330, 335, 340, 345, 350, 355 or 360 followed by "XL mono", may be followed by "black"



Notice slight gap caused by properly installed clip



Wrong grounding hardware




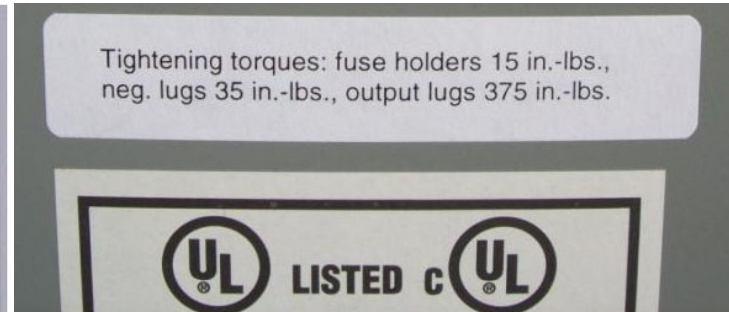
Hardware consistent with instructions




10. Equipment listed and installed according to the approved plan
11. Inverter is marked "utility interactive."

PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE			
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			600 V
Pmax	120 W	87 W	SERIES FUSE
Vpmax	16.1 V		
Ipmax	7.1 A		
Voc	21.1 V		
Isc	7.4 A		

 **LISTED** 9PB



Utility Interactive Photovoltaic Inverter	
Rated output power: 3200 Watts	DC max voltage: 500 VDC
AC nominal voltage: 240 VAC	DC operating limits: 230-430 VDC
AC operating limits: 211-264 VAC	DC maximum current: 15 Amps
AC maximum current: 14 Amps	Operating temp range: -25 to 40C
AC trip current: 20 Amps	Enclosure - Type 3R outdoor use
AC operating Frequency: 60Hz	Built and tested to UL1741
AC frequency range: 59.3-60.5 Hz	
S/N: SP32240121005343	

 **LISTED**
Utility Interactive Photovoltaic Inverter
20RP

12. Conductors, cables and conduit types, sizes and markings according to the approved plan.



THWN WIRE USED
OUTSIDE CONDUIT
IN SUNLIGHT-NOT
ALLOWED

PV WIRE HAS
CORRECT OUTDOOR
RATINGS



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13. Overcurrent devices are the type and size according to the approved plan



14. Disconnects according to the approved plan and properly located as required by the NEC





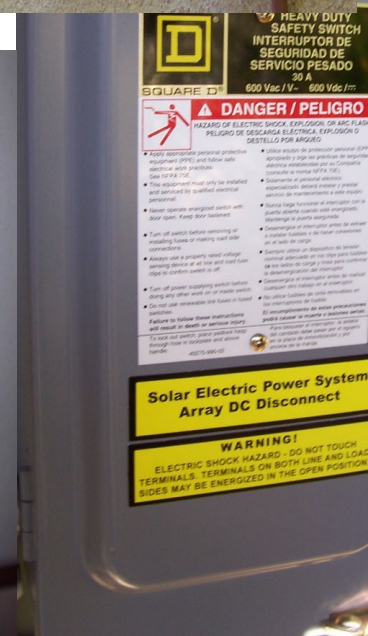
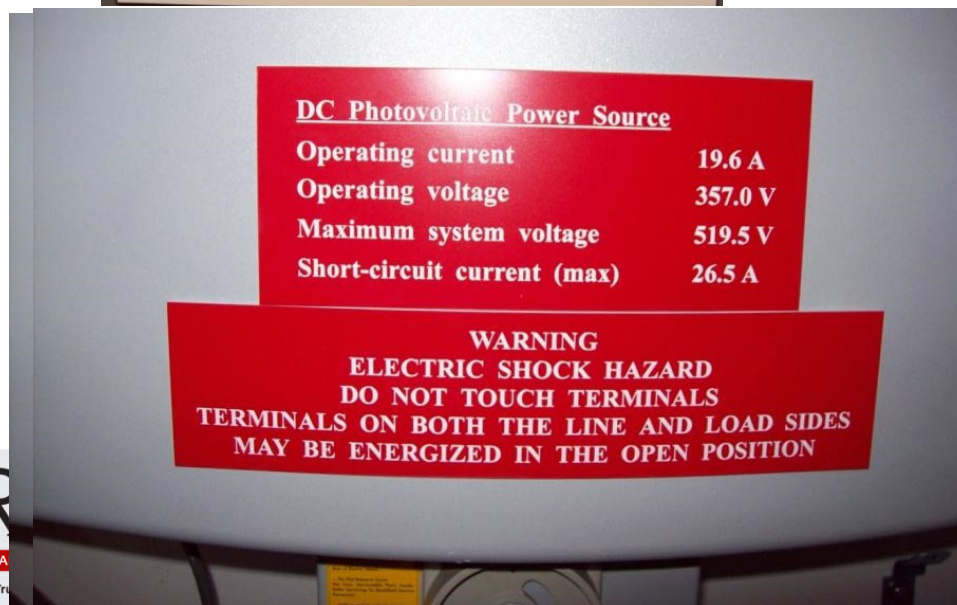
15. Inverter output circuit breaker is located at opposite end of bus from utility supply



Photo courtesy of Bill McGovern

16. PV system markings, labels and signs according to the approved plan

INTERACTIVE SYSTEM
POINT OF INTERCONNECTION
OPERATING AC CURRENT
54.1A
OPERATING VOLTAGE
480V



16. PV system markings, labels and signs according to the approved plan



OWNER HAD ALL THE
EQUIPMENT STUCCOED—
INCLUDING ALL THE
SIGNS

17. Connection of the PV system to the grounding electrode system according to the approved plan.



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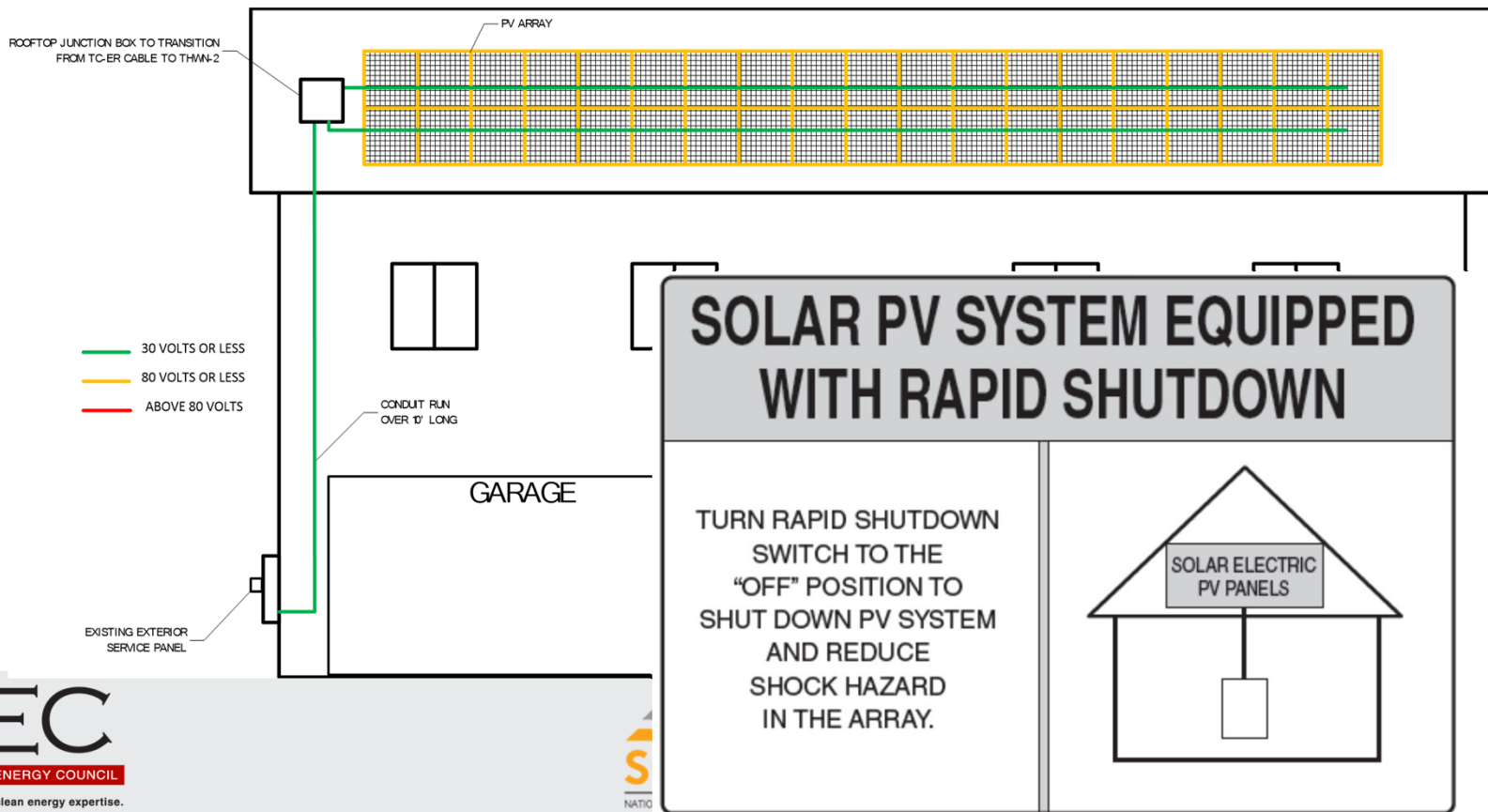
NATIONALLY DISTINGUISHED. LOCALLY POWERED.



18. Access and working space for operation and maintenance of PV equipment



19. The rapid shutdown system is installed according to the approved plan [690.12]





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Next Steps

Supporting activities post workshop 3

1. Review your current permitting process and determine if there is interest in/an opportunity to streamline it.
 - Please remember that the SolSmart team can help you strategize potential modifications, share best practice guidance and resources, and support your efforts to adopt any proposed changes.
2. Develop and publish a “permitting checklist” that details the required permit(s), submittals, and steps of your community’s permitting process for residential rooftop solar PV. This is criterion PI-1 and a prerequisite for Bronze designation.
3. Determine if there’s interest in pursuing other PI criteria.

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APPLICATION
SOLAR PANEL PERMIT

Permit Number

Requirements

Your application **will not be accepted** if any of the below items are missing or incomplete. Incomplete applications will be returned and any paid fees are nonrefundable. To check the status of a permit, email permits@cityofkennedale.com and include the property address and permit type.

- ☐ Solar PV System Application (separate electrical permit not required): cityofkennedale.com/solar
- ☐ Letter from a Texas Licensed Professional Engineer including the following:
 - ☐ Statement that the roof of the structure is adequate to support the proposed panels
 - ☐ Any recommended modifications to the roof along panel support and bracing systems
- ☐ A labeled, itemized list of solar collectors and other system components approved by a national recognized agency, including data specification sheet for PV system and components
- ☐ Scaled, dimensioned, **LABELED** plans – 2 sets if submitting printed copies
 - o Site plan (to scale) showing location of major components on the property
 - o Electrical line diagram of the electrical equipment (including make, model, and size of units) prepared by a Texas Licensed Professional Engineer of the PV array configuration showing: wiring system, overcurrent protection, grounding, inverter, disconnects, required signs, AC connection to building, and size and location of electrical panel
 - o Spec sheets, listings, and manufacturer’s installation instructions for each manufactured component, including but not limited to PV modules, inverters, combiner boxes, disconnects, and mounting systems
 - o A roof plan, side elevations of collectors, and mounting details. Also, note needed compliance with local wind loading requirements: 90 MPH (3-second-gust/75 fastest mile)
 - o Additional information required:
 - Weight of the arrays (pounds per square foot- including mounting hardware)
 - Describe and show the roof structural elements, including:
 - Rafter size, span, and spacing
 - Roof sheathing
 - Additional structural calculations and/or engineer’s verification of load capacity of the roof structure
 - Roofing type (e.g. composition shingle, shake, light-weight tile, etc.) and pitch
- ☐ Details of PV panel mounting hardware attachment to the roof framing member
- ☐ Contractor registered with Kennedale – Check registration status by emailing permits@cityofkennedale.com
- ☐ Completed, **legible**, signed application form
- ☐ Oncom executed interconnection agreement



Workshop 4 overview

- Workshop 4 is titled “***Community Engagement & Municipal Operations***”. It will cover best practices for how to support residents and businesses as they consider adopting solar energy. It will also cover considerations for municipal procurement of solar.
- The date of the session is TBD, but NCTCOG will be in touch soon.
- This session is open to all interested local government staff, so please feel free to attend and invite other colleagues.

Thank You!

- If you want to **have questions about the cohort**, please reach out to Joaquin Escalante (energy@nctcog.org)
- If you have **questions about SolSmart or external TA**, please reach out to Zach Greene (zach.greene@wri.org)