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June 1, 2015

Vermont Public Service Board
Susan Hudson, Clerk of the Board
112 State Street, 4th Floor
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: Sun CSA 48 LLC application for a CPG for a 150 kW AC solar array at 139 Daggett Road in East Montpelier

Dear Ms. Hudson:

Through its Town Plan and through town actions and investments, East Montpelier has declared the importance of energy conservation and efficiency, and of renewable energy.

The East Montpelier Town Plan notes the connection between use of fossil fuels and climate change and says, "We should be looking to reduce our use of fossil based fuels and replace them with more sustainable sources." It then notes the increasing number of residents who are installing renewable energy facilities on their properties.

The Town Plan also calls for renewable energy projects to "be sited and designed to respect the character of the surrounding area and neighborhood views."

We believe that the 150 kW AC solar array designed for installation at 139 Daggett Road in East Montpelier fulfills the Town Plan's call for increasing more sustainable sources of electricity, and that its location respects the character of the surrounding area and neighborhood views. We support the application for a Certificate of Public Good for the facility.

Sincerely,

Seth B. Gardner
Chair, East Montpelier Selectboard