## BEFORE THE NEVADA ENERGY COMMISSIONER NEVADA RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY AUTHORITY

In the Matter of the Application of:	)	
	)	AFN 10-09005SPV
Silver State Solar Power North, LLC	)	
	)	

January 21, 2011

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held before the Nevada Energy Commissioner ("Commissioner") regarding the above application at the following date, time, and location:

Monday, February 14, 2011 10 a.m.

Nevada Transportation Authority 1755 E Plumb Ln, Suite 216 Reno, NV 89502

Via Videoconference to:

Nevada Transportation Authority 2290 S. Jones Blvd., Suite 110 Las Vegas, NV 89146

The hearing is being held pursuant to NRS 701A.360(5) to determine whether the application filed by **Silver State Solar Power North, LLC** ("Silver State") with the Nevada State Office of Energy ("NSOE") on October, 04 2010 for the construction of a wholesale facility that generates electricity from solar photovoltaic (50 MW nameplate capacity) in Clark County (near Primm), Nevada meets the tax abatement criteria established in NRS 701A.300 through 701A.390 and adopted regulation LCB File No. R094-10 and is, therefore, entitled to partial abatement of sales and use taxes and property taxes as provided in NRS 701A.300 through 701A.390. The hearing shall be considered a contested case pursuant to NRS chapter 233B and shall be held and decided openly and publicly. Silver State and all other parties are entitled to present testimony of witnesses, to introduce evidence, and to cross-examine witnesses. Silver State and other parties may be represented by legal counsel of their choice.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the applicable but as yet uncodified regulations (presently known as LCB File No. R094-10), the following entities or people may participate in this hearing as a party: (1) The Director of NSOE; (2) The Chief of the Budget Division of the Nevada Department of Administration; (3) The Nevada Department of Taxation; (4) The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County in which the project or facility will be located; (5) The County Assessor of Clark County in which the project or facility will be located; (6) The

County Treasurer of Clark County in which the project or facility will be located; and (7) The Nevada Commission on Economic Development. Any person or entity that desires to participate as a party in the hearing of this matter must file with the Commissioner a notice of its intention to participate in a form as described in Section 23 of LCB File No. R094-10.

If the person or entity is a **state entity**, it must file the notice of intent to participate in a form with the Commissioner, Re: **AFN 10-09005SPV** by e-mail to at <a href="mailto:energy@renewable.nv.gov">energy@renewable.nv.gov</a> and provide a copy of the notice of intent to participate in a form to the applicant's legal counsel, Josh Hicks at <a href="mailto:jHicks@BHFS.com">JHicks@BHFS.com</a> within five business days from the date of this notice of hearing but no later than Friday, January 28, 2011.

If the person or entity is or represents a **county, city, or township**, it must file the notice of intent in a form to participate with the Commissioner, Re: **AFN 10-09005SPV** by e-mail to at <a href="mailto:energy@renewable.nv.gov">energy@renewable.nv.gov</a> and provide a copy of the notice of intent to participate in a form to the applicant's legal counsel, Josh Hicks at <a href="mailto:JHicks@BHFS.com">JHicks@BHFS.com</a> within fifteen business days from the date of this notice of hearing, but no later than Friday, February 11, 2011.

The Commissioner shall also allow public comment at a time appropriate to the conduct of the hearing.

To facilitate the expeditious and efficient consideration of Silver State's application, the Commissioner directs Silver Sate and any party wishing to participate in the hearing to file any written testimony they would like the Commissioner to consider to be received by the Commissioner at <a href="mailto:energy@renewable.nv.gov">energy@renewable.nv.gov</a> no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 4, 2011. Silver State and participating parties wishing to respond to the written testimony must file any responsive testimony with the Commissioner at <a href="mailto:energy@renewable.nv.gov">energy@renewable.nv.gov</a> no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2011.

The notice of intent to participate in a form and all written testimonies will be made available on the Commissioner's website.

Copies of the public records related to Silver State's application are available upon request to the Commissioner by fax at (775) 684-5648, by e-mail addressed to <a href="mailto:energy@renewable.nv.gov">energy@renewable.nv.gov</a>, or by mail addressed to: Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority, State Capitol Annex, 101 N. Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing should notify the Commissioner in writing by mail addressed to: Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Authority, State Capitol Annex 101 N Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, by fax at (775) 684-5648, or by e-mail addressed to energy@renewable.nv.gov, no later than 7 business days prior to the hearing.

By the Nevada Energy Commissioner,

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Dr. Hatice Gecol

**Dated**: Carson City, Nevada January 21, 2011

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This Notice of Public Hearing posted at the Nevada State Capitol's public notice posting board, Commissioner's Web Page <a href="http://renewableenergy.state.nv.us/TaxAbatement\_projects.htm">http://renewableenergy.state.nv.us/TaxAbatement\_projects.htm</a>) and the following locations:

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