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February 11, 2010

Mr. Blake Smith
Somerset Development Co, Ltd.
7655 Town Square Way, Suite 220
Reno, NV 89523

Re: Certificate of Eligibility for the Somerset Town Center,
CE-CS004- FY2011 (CS-RN004-2008)

Dear Mr. Smith;

The Nevada State Office of Energy is pleased to grant this **Certificate of Eligibility** for the Somerset Town Center project, which was certified at the LEED CS Silver level with 30 points. After reviewing your certificate of eligibility application received on January 29, 2010 and consulting with our Deputy Attorney General, we have concluded that the Somerset Town Center project is eligible for a partial property tax abatement based on the provisions of NAC 701A.280.

As per NAC 701A.280, The Somerset Town Center project is granted the following partial property tax abatement for:

(a) a **duration of 6 years and in an annual amount that equals 25 percent** of the portion of the taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, other than any taxes imposed for public education, that would otherwise be payable for the building or other structure, excluding the associated land.

(b) buildings:

- (1) Somerset Town Center, 35,400 total square ft
7655 and 7665 Town Square Way, Reno, Washoe County, NV 89523
APN(s): 232-051-14 and 232-051-15

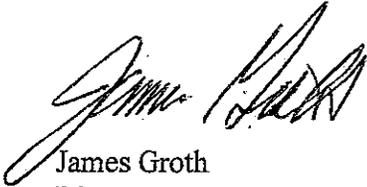
(c) commencing with FY 11 (July 01, 2010).

Please forward copies of your redacted certificate of eligibility application to the following agencies: Chief of the Budget Division of the Department of Administration (Attn: Reese Tietje); Department of Taxation (Attn: Terry Rubald); Commission on Economic Development; County Assessor; County Treasurer; and County Commissioners/City Council before February 25, 2010. Please also forward our office the copy of your cover letters and the proof of delivery to these agencies before February 25, 2010.

Please note that duration of abatement is subject to compliance with NAC 701A.260 (Attachment I). It will be the responsibility of registrant and tax abatement coordinator to comply with all of the requirements and be aware of the dates (Attachment II) for listed requirements in NAC 701A.260, as our office will not be sending out reminder notices.

Should you have any questions regarding the LEED process, please contact Ms Lorayn Walser at (775) 687-1850 x 7308 or lwals@energy.nv.gov.

Sincerely,



James Groth
Director

Enclosures:

- 1) NAC 701A.260
- 2) List of required documents and dates as per NAC 701A.260

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