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September 2, 2015

Paul Thomsen, Director
Nevada Governor's Office of Energy
755 North Roop Street, Suite 202
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Thomsen:

I am writing in my capacity as the Board Chairman of Mineral County Commissioners to voice the support of the Board for the Luning Solar Energy Project in Mineral County, Nevada. This project has been fully permitted by the County and the Bureau of Land Management and we look forward to the economic development and new tax revenue it will bring to Mineral County.

Mineral County has been identified as severely distressed for the purpose of New Markets Tax Credits and an area designated as a habitually Underutilized Business zone. Having a new source of sales and property tax revenue as well as construction and operation jobs will significantly improve the economic climate.

The project has the necessary credentials to complete this project and has secured a utility contract for the power. In summary, we are in support of the Luning Solar Energy Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cliff Cichowlaz".

Clifford Cichowlaz, Chairman