

**BEFORE THE NEVADA ENERGY DIRECTOR
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY**

In the Matter of the Application of:)
)
Searchlight Solar, LLC)
_____)

AFN: 14-0529SPV

July 21, 2014

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND AGENDA**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held before the Governor's Office of Energy Director ("Director") regarding the above application at the following date, time, and location:

**Thursday, July 31, 2014
2 P.M.
Governor's Office of Energy
755 N. Roop Street, Suite 202
Carson City, NV 89701**

The hearing is being held pursuant to NRS 701A.360 (5) to determine whether the Application filed by Searchlight Solar, LLC with the Governor's Office of Energy ("GOE") on June 16, 2014, for the construction of a Solar Facility, 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/or property tax 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. Searchlight Solar, LLC and all other parties are entitled to present testimony of witnesses, to introduce evidence, and to cross-examine witnesses. Searchlight Solar, LLC 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 GOE; (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 the county in which the project or facility will be located; (5) The County Assessor of the county in which the project or facility will be located; (6) The County Treasurer of the county in which the project or facility will be located; (7) the governing body of any city or town in which the project or facility is located; and (8) Governor's Office of Economic Development. Any person or entity that desires to participate as a party in the hearing of this matter must file with the Director 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 or represents a **state entity, county, city, or township**, it must file the notice of intent to participate with the Director, Re: **AFN 14-0529SPV** by e-mail to [at slinfinite@energy.nv.gov](mailto:slinfinite@energy.nv.gov).

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

To facilitate the expeditious and efficient consideration of the Searchlight Solar, LLC application, the Director directs Searchlight Solar, LLC **and any party wishing** to participate in the hearing to file any written testimony they would like the Director to consider to be received by the Director at slinfante@energy.nv.gov **no later than 5:00 p.m. two working days prior to the hearing**. Searchlight Solar, LLC and participating parties wishing to **respond** to the written testimony must file responsive testimony with the Director at slinfante@energy.nv.gov **no later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the hearing**.

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

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered at the hearing. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of order presented on the agenda or removed at the discretion of the chairperson.

AGENDA

(Action may be taken on those items denoted "Action")

1. Call to Order.
2. Public comments and discussion* – Members of the public may comment on any matter posted on this Agenda, which is before the Director of the Governor's Office of Energy for consideration or action today. Please clearly state your name and spell your name for the record. Each comment may be limited to 3 minutes.
3. The Governor's Office of Energy will enter evidence and receive testimony from all interested persons and consider and take action regarding the application for partial abatement of taxes.
4. The Director will state his findings and conclusions based upon the substantial, reliable, and credible evidence presented in the exhibits and testimony.
5. Public comments and discussion* – Members of the public may comment on any matter posted on this Agenda, which is before the Director of the Governor's Office of Energy for consideration or action today. Please clearly state your name and spell your name for the record. Each comment may be limited to 3 minutes.
6. Approval or denial of the Application for partial abatement. (Action)
7. Adjournment. (Action)

** No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.*

Copies of this notice and public records related to the Searchlight Solar, LLC application are available upon request to the Director by fax at (775) 687-1869, by e-mail addressed to slinfante@energy.nv.gov or by mail addressed to: Governor's Office of Energy, 755 North Roop Street, Suite 202, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing should notify the Director in writing by mail addressed to: Governor's Office of Energy, 755 North Roop Street, Suite 202, Carson City, NV 89701, by fax at (775) 687-1869, or by e-mail addressed to slinfante@energy.nv.gov, no later than 3 business days prior to the hearing.

By the Governor's Office of Energy Director,



Paul A. Thomsen

Dated: Carson City, Nevada July 21, 2014

This notice and agenda has been posted on or before 9:00 a.m. on July 22, 2014 at the following locations:

- (1) Governor's Office of Energy principal office at 755 N Roop St., Ste. 202, Carson City, NV
- (2) Governor's Office of Energy website: <http://energy.nv.gov>
- (3) State Capitol, 101 North Carson St., Carson City, Nevada
- (4) State Library and Archives: 100 North Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada
- (5) Carson City Library, 900 N. Roop Street, Carson City, Nevada
- (6) County Public Libraries