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March 6, 2019

Paul Trampe, Chair, Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors Members

RE: sPower Sites A, B, and C Substantially in Accord with the Comprehensive Plan Finding

Dear Dr. Trampe:

On behalf of the Planning Commission, I am forwarding our findings to the Board of Supervisors on the sPower solar energy facility project as related to the Comprehensive Plan. The Code of Virginia requires that the Planning Commission review solar energy facilities that are not shown on the Comprehensive Plan to determine whether the location, character, and extent of the facilities are substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan (Code of VA Sec. 15.2-2232). The Planning Commission considered Site A, Site B, and Site C of the sPower project on January 16, 2019 and voted as follows:

Site A: On a motion by Mr. Smith and passed 4-3, the Commission voted to find Site A substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan.

Vote:

Ayes: 4 Mr. Bullock, Ms. Maddox, Mr. Smith and Ms. Carter

Nays: 3 Mr. Thompson, Mr. Medina, and Mr. Newhouse

Site B: On a motion by Mr. Smith and passed 6-1, the Commission voted to find Site B substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan.

Vote:

Ayes: 6 Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Medina, Mr. Bullock, Ms. Maddox, Mr. Smith and Ms. Carter Nays: 1 Mr. Thompson

Site C: On a motion by Mr. Smith and passed 6-1, the Commission voted to find Site C substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan.

Vote:

Ayes: 6 Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Medina, Mr. Bullock, Ms. Maddox, Mr. Smith and Ms. Carter Nays: 1 Mr. Thompson

The Planning Commission found all three sites substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan consistent with the evaluation provided in the staff reports, attached.

Please feel free to contact me or Wanda Parrish, Director of Planning, at 540-507-7425 with any questions

Sincerely,

Spotsylvania County Planning Commission