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To: Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council

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Subject: Agenda Item M (Action Item) – Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility, Request for Extension of Notice of Intent Timeline for the November 21-22, 2019 EFSC Meeting

Attachments: Attachment 1: Applicant’s Request to Extend Notice of Intent Timeline for the Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility

SUMMARY

The Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility is a proposed solar photovoltaic (PV) generation facility that would have a nominal generating capacity of 60 megawatts. As proposed in the Notice of Intent (NOI), the proposed facility would be located in and around the Town of Lakeview in Lake County. On January 19, 2018, Blue Marmot Solar Park, LLC (applicant)¹ submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to apply for a site certificate for the Blue Marmot Solar Energy Facility. In accordance with OAR 345-020-0060, the NOI will expire two years after submittal, or on January 19, 2020, unless the Council extends the expiration date.

On November 12, 2019, the applicant submitted a request to extend the NOI expiration date by one year, for a requested new expiration date of January 19, 2021. As stated in the November 12, 2019 request letter, the applicant requests Council extend the NOI for an additional year due to ongoing proceedings with the Public Utility Commission regarding transmission and energy delivery from the proposed facility and additional time to clarify commercial arrangements.

Pursuant to OAR 345-020-0060, the Council may extend the NOI expiration date for a period of up to one year if the applicant submits a petition to the Council not less than 45 days before the NOI expiration date and the Council finds that the petition shows good cause. The applicant submitted its extension request more than 45 days before the NOI expiration date and the Department considers it a timely petition.

¹ Blue Marmot Solar Park, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of EDP Renewables North America, LLC)

The Department recommends that the Council find that the applicant has shown good cause for an extension and that the Council grant a one-year extension of the NOI expiration date (to January 19, 2021).

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