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**To:** Energy Facility Siting Council

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**Subject:** Agenda Item D (Action Item): West End Solar Project Site Certificate Termination for the May 15, 2026 EFSC Meeting

**Attachments:** Attachment 1: Draft Termination Order

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## OVERVIEW

West End Solar Project is an approved not yet constructed 50 megawatt (MW), 324 acre solar photovoltaic power generation facility in Umatilla County, 1 mile east of Hermiston. The certificate holder is EE West End Solar, LLC, a subsidiary of Eurus Energy America.

The Council approved and issued a Site Certificate for the facility on March 24, 2023. In the Site Certificate, pursuant to ORS 469.370(12), the Council imposed a construction commencement deadline of March 24, 2026. The Oregon Department of Energy (Department) has been in communication with the certificate holder and notified them 30-days prior to the deadline of the pending deadline and of their opportunity to submit a Request for Amendment to extend the construction deadlines. OAR 345-027-0350(3). The certificate holder acknowledged both the pending deadline and opportunity to seek an extension and opted to let the site certificate expire.

## APPLICABLE OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

### *345-027-0110 - Termination of a Site Certificate*

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*(9) When the Council finds that the site certificate has expired as described in OAR 345-027-0313, the Council shall issue an order terminating the site certificate.*

### *345-027-0313 - Certificate Expiration*

*If the certificate holder does not begin construction of the facility by the construction beginning date specified in the site certificate or amended site certificate, the site certificate expires on the construction beginning date specified, unless expiration of the site certificate is suspended pending final action by the Council on a request for amendment to a site certificate under OAR 345-027-0385(2).*

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION**

Because the certificate holder did not submit a request to extend the beginning construction deadline by March 24, 2026 as required by condition GEN-GS-01, the site certificate has now expired. The Department therefore recommends Council issue an order terminating the West End Solar Project Site Certificate per OAR 345-027-0110(9) (see draft Order in Attachment 1).