

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL APPROVAL
TO CONSTRUCT A UTILITY FACILITY

On September 16, 2020, Libra Solar LLC (“Libra Solar”) filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“Commission”) a notice, designated as Docket No. 20-09012 (“Notice”), under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act, of an application to a federal agency for approval to construct the Libra Solar Project consisting of a 700 megawatt (“MW”) photovoltaic solar electric generating facility, a 700 MW battery energy storage system, and associated facilities to be located approximately 11 miles southeast of Yerington in Mineral County, Nevada.

This Notice serves only to notify the public that the Commission has received the above-referenced filing. It is the responsibility of interested persons to review the filing and monitor the proceedings to determine their desired levels of involvement based on how this matter may affect their unique situations. The details provided within this Notice are for informational purposes only and are not meant to be an all-inclusive overview of the filing.

Libra Solar filed the Notice pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statutes (“NRS”) and the Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) Chapters 703 and 704, including, but not limited to, NRS 704.870(2) and NAC 703.421.

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The Notice filing is available for public viewing at the Commission's website:
<http://puc.nv.gov>. A person must request in writing to be placed on the service list for this proceeding to receive any further notices in this matter.

By the Commission,

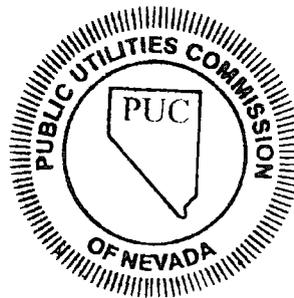


TRISHA OSBORNE,
Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

9/21/20

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In accordance with NRS Chapter 719,
this filing has been electronically signed and filed
by: /s LindaBullen

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the filer attests to the authenticity of the electronic signature(s) contained therein.

This filing has been electronically filed and deemed to be signed by an authorized
agent or
representative of the signer(s) and
Libra Solar LLC

**BULLEN LAW, LLC
8635 W. Sahara Ave. #454
Las Vegas, NV 89117**

**Linda M. Bullen
702-279-4040
linda@bullenlaw.com**

September 16, 2020

Ms. Trisha Osborne
Assistant Commission Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
1150 East William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109

Re: Notice Pursuant To The Utility Environmental Protection Act Of An Application To A Federal Agency By Libra Solar LLC for a Permit to Construct a 700 MW/ac Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility and 700 MW/ac Battery Energy Storage System and Ancillary Facilities

Dear Ms. Osborne:

Enclosed for filing please find the Notice Pursuant To The Utility Environmental Protection Act Of An Application To A Federal Agency By Libra Solar LLC for a Permit to Construct a 700 MW/ac Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility and 700 MW/ac Battery Energy Storage System and Ancillary Facilities.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 279-4040.

Best Regards,

/s/ Linda M. Bullen

Linda M. Bullen
Attorney for Libra Solar LLC

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF:

Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal Agency by Libra Solar LLC for a Permit to Construct a 700 MW/ac Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility and 700 MW/ac Battery Energy Storage System and Ancillary Facilities

Docket No. 20-_____

NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE UTILITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT OF AN APPLICATION TO A FEDERAL AGENCY BY SOLAR PARTNERS VII, LLC FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A 700 MW/ac SOLAR PHOTOVOTAIC POWER PLANT AND 700 MW/ac BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Nevada Utility Environmental Protection Act (“UEPA”), and the provisions of Chapter 704 of the Nevada Revised Statues (“NRS”) and Chapter 703 of the Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”), Libra Solar LLC (“Libra Solar”) hereby files a Notice with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (the "Commission") that Libra Solar will be filing a 700 megawatts alternating current (“MW/ac”) solar photovoltaic power plant on up to 5,413 acres of BLM land. The project includes an integrated 700 MW/ac battery energy storage system (“BESS”).

All correspondence related to this Notice should be sent to:

Linda M. Bullen
Bullen Law, LLC
8635 W. Sahara Ave. #454
Las Vegas, Nevada 89117
linda@bullenlaw.com

The Project falls within the definition of a “utility facility” as set forth in NRS 704.860 because it is a renewable energy project of 70 MW or greater. An environmental review of the Project will be conducted by the BLM pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”), 42 U.S.C § 4321. No later than 30 days after the issuance of the final federal

1 environmental document, Libra Solar will file the UEPA Application with the Commission
2 pursuant to NRS 704.870(2)(b). Upon submission of the Application, Libra Solar will seek
3 approval from the Commission for a Permit to Construct (“PTC”) the Project.

4 **II. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY NAC 703.421**

5 The following Notice was prepared pursuant to NRS 704.870.2(a) and NAC 703.421.

6 **1. The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be filing the**
7 **amended application with the appropriate federal agency (NAC 703.421.1).**

8 Ricardo Graf
9 Managing Partner
10 Libra Solar LLC
11 c/o Arevia Power
12 1058 Ross Circle
13 Napa, CA 94458
14 (949) 275-7538

15 **2. The date on which the application is being filed with the appropriate federal agency**
16 **(NAC 703.421.2).**

17 The application for the Project is being filed with the BLM contemporaneously with this
18 Notice, on September 16, 2020.

19 **3. A general description of the location of the proposed utility facility (NAC 703.421.3).**

20 The Project will be located on approximately 5,413 acres of BLM-managed land in Mineral
21 County, Nevada, 7 miles west of U.S. 95, 9 miles south of U.S. 95A, and 11 miles southeast of the
22 town of Yerington.

23 **4. A general description of the proposed utility facility (NAC 703.421.4).**

24 The Project is a 700 MW/ac solar photovoltaic power plant on up to 5,413 acres of BLM land.
25 The Project includes an integrated 700 MW/ac BESS.

26 **5. Proof that a copy of the notice has been submitted to the Nevada State Clearinghouse**
27 **within the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (NAC 703.421.5).**

28 A copy of this Notice has been submitted to the Regulatory Operations Staff of the
29 Commission, the Nevada Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection, Nevada State
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1 Clearinghouse, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and the Mineral County Clerk.

2 *See* Certificate of Service attached as Exhibit A.

3 **6. Proof that a public notice of this application was given to persons residing in the**
4 **municipalities entitled to receive notice by the publication of a summary of the**
5 **application in newspapers published and distributed in the area in which the utility**
6 **facility is proposed to be located (NRS 704.870(4)(B)).**

7 A copy of the Draft Notice pursuant to NAC 703.162 for publication by the Commission is
8 attached as Exhibit B.

9 **7. Proof of Compliance with the Nevada Department of Wildlife Energy Cost Recovery**
10 **Fund Program (NRS 701.600-640).**

11 NRS 701.610 provides that a person who files an application with the federal government
12 for a lease or easement for a right-of-way for an energy development project or an application with
13 the Commission or any county in the state of Nevada relating to the construction of an energy
14 development project must file a notice of the energy development project with the Nevada
15 Department of Wildlife (“NDOW”). The required notice to NDOW pursuant to NRS 701.610 was
16 filed by Libra Solar and is attached as Exhibit C.

17 **III. CONCLUSION**

18 Libra Solar will submit its UEPA Application at the conclusion of the federal
19 environmental review process. At that time, Libra Solar will request that the Commission issue to
20 it a UEPA Permit to Construct the Project pursuant to NRS 704.870(2)(b).

21 Respectfully submitted September 16, 2020.

22 Linda M. Bullen

23 /s/ Linda M. Bullen

24 Bullen Law, LLC

25 Attorney for Libra Solar LLC

1 **EXHIBIT A**

2 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

3 I hereby certify that on September 16, 2020, a true and correct copy of the attached
4 Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal
5 Agency by Libra Solar LLC for a Permit to Construct a 700 MW/ac Photovoltaic Solar
6 Electric Generating Facility and 700 MW/ac Battery Energy Storage System and Ancillary
7 Facilities.

7 Staff Counsel Support
8 Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
9 1150 E. William Street
10 Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109
11 pucn.sc@puc.nv.gov

Office of the Attorney General
Bureau of Consumer Protection
100 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-4717
bcp@ag.nv.gov

10 Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
11 Mr. Don Lomoljo, Staff Counsel
12 1150 E. William Street
13 Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109
14 dlomoljo@puc.nv.gov

Mineral County Clerk
Mr. Christopher Nepper
105 South A Street, Suite # 1
Hawthorne, NV 89415
clerk-treasurer@mineralcountynv.gov

13 Nevada State Clearinghouse
14 Nevada Division of State Lands
15 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 5003
16 Carson City, NV 89701-5246
17 nevadaclearinghouse@lands.nv.gov

16 Nevada Division of Environmental
17 Protection
18 Mr. Greg Lovato, Administrator
19 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
20 Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249
21 glovato@ndep.nv.gov

22 DATED: September 16, 2020

23 /s/ Linda M. Bullen
24 An Employee of Bullen Law, LLC
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EXHIBIT B

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA DRAFT NOTICE (Applications, Tariff Filings, Complaints, and Petitions)

Pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) 703.162, the Commission requires that a draft notice be included with all applications, tariff filings, complaints and petitions. Please complete and include **ONE COPY** of this form with your filing. (Completion of this form may require the use of more than one page.)

A title that generally describes the relief requested (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(a)):

Application Of Libra Solar LLC Under The Provisions Of The Utility Environmental Protection Act For A Permit To Construct a 700 MW/ac Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility and 700 MW/ac Battery Energy Storage System and Ancillary Facilities.

The name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner or the name of the agent for the applicant, complainant or petitioner (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(b)):

**The applicant is Libra Solar LLC (“Libra Solar”).
Linda M. Bullen of Bullen Law, LLC is legal counsel for the applicant.**

A brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding, including, without limitation, a clear and concise introductory statement that summarizes the relief requested or the type of proceeding scheduled **AND** the effect of the relief or proceeding upon consumers (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(c)).

Libra Solar is filing an Application with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada seeking under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act a Permit to construct a 700 megawatts alternating current (MW/ac) solar photovoltaic power plant and an integrated 700 MW/ac battery storage system (“the Project”). The Project will be constructed on up to 5,413 acres of federally owned land under the management of the Bureau of Land Management in Mineral County, Nevada.

A statement indicating whether a consumer session is required to be held pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (“NRS”) 704.069(1)¹:

A consumer session is not required.

If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number **AND** the section number(s) or schedule number(s) being revised.

The draft notice does not pertain to a tariff filing.

¹ NRS 704.069 states in pertinent part:

1. The Commission shall conduct a consumer session to solicit comments from the public in any matter pending before the Commission pursuant to NRS 704.061 to 704.110 inclusive, in which:

(a) A public utility has filed a general rate application, an application to recover the increased cost of purchased fuel, purchased power, or natural gas purchased for resale or an application to clear its deferred accounts; and

(b) The changes proposed in the application will result in an increase in annual gross operating revenue, as certified by the applicant, in an amount that will exceed \$50,000 or 10 percent of the applicant’s annual gross operating revenue, whichever is less.



EXHIBIT C

*Arevia Power, LLC
1058 Ross Circle
Napa CA, 94458*

September 10, 2019

Nevada Department of Wildlife
Habitat Division
Attn: Jasmine Kleiber
6980 Grand Sierra Parkway, Suite 120
Reno, NV 89511

Subject: Application for Energy Projects "Fund for Recovery of Costs" submission on behalf of Libra Solar, LLC

Dear Ms. Kleiber:

Please see attached hereto Application of Energy Projects "Fund for the Recovery of Costs" and \$10,000 check for the 700MW PV + 700MW BESS Project located 11 miles southeast of the Town of Yerington in Mineral County, Nevada. Arevia Power whom is developing this project on behalf of Libra Solar, LLC (project entity) is pleased to commence work with the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) on this exciting new renewable energy project. Please advise if NDOW will require anything further to accept this application and deem it complete. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ricardo Graf", written in a cursive style.

Ricardo Graf
Managing Partner, CDO
Arevia Power
Direct: 949.275.7538
ricardo@areviapower.com

Attachment: NDOW – Completed Application for Energy Projects "Fund for the Recovery of Costs"
\$10,000 check payable to NDOW

cc: Mark Boyadjian, Managing Partner, Arevia Power
Lina Bullen, Environmental Counsel, Bullen Law, LLC



Application for Energy Projects "Fund for the Recovery of Costs"

Nevada Revised Statutes 701.600-640
Nevada Administrative Code 701.800-820

Applicant:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Self
<input type="checkbox"/>	Private Company
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government Agency
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____

Project Name Libra Solar Project
 Applicant Libra Solar, LLC
 Mailing Address 1058 Ross Circle
 City Napa State CA Zip Code 94558
 Name of Contact Ricardo Graf Phone 949-275-7538 Email ricardo@areviapower.com
 Name of Responsible Corp. Officer/Agency Rep. Ricardo Graf Title Managing Partner

Project Type

Solar Wind Geothermal Fossil Fuel Biomass Fuel Pipeline Power Transmission
 Net Maximum Generation Capacity 700 MW Estimated Voltage (power transmission) _____ kV
 Proposed Project Size (acres) 5,413 Proposed Transmission Length (miles) _____
 Proposed Length of Fuel Lines/Pipelines (miles) _____

Other Infrastructure (e.g., evaporation/holding ponds or tanks, recharge stations; estimated acres) _____
 Transmission lines, battery storage and other ancillary equipment typically associated with photovoltaic solar facilities.

Proposed County Location (submit project map and shapefiles) 11 miles southeast of the town of Yerington in Mineral County

Project Description The Project is a 700 MW/ac solar photovoltaic power plant on up to 5,413 acres of BLM land. The Project includes an integrated 700 MW/ac BESS.

Estimated Project Schedule/Timeline Construction will commence upon completion of the National Environmental Policy Act review process and construction is estimated to take between 18 and 24 months.

Applicant Signature  Date 9-10-20

Enclose initial payment made out to **Nevada Department of Wildlife**.

- Remit **\$5,000** for fuel pipelines less than 50 miles in length, power transmission projects greater than 50kV and less than 50 miles in length, or geothermal production projects.
- Remit **\$10,000** for fuel pipelines more than 50 miles in length, power transmission projects greater than 50kV and more than 50 miles in length, or solar, wind, fossil fuel or other energy production projects.

Submit project shapefiles (ArcGIS or GoogleEarth are acceptable) to: jkleiber@ndow.org

Submit application, payment, and maps to: Nevada Department of Wildlife
 Habitat Division – AB307
 6980 Sierra Center Parkway, Suite 120
 Reno, NV 89511 USA

Libra Solar

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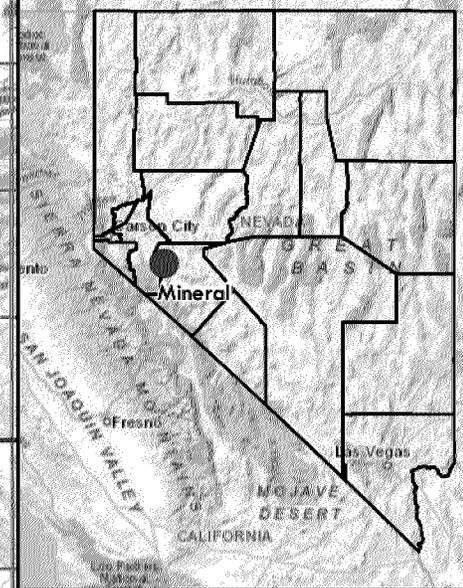
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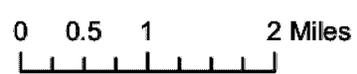


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CASHIER'S CHECK

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Date 09/01/2020

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Remitter: AREVIA POWER LLC

Pay To The Order Of: NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

Pay: TEN THOUSAND
DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS

\$** 10,000.00 **

Drawer: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

Reginald Chambers, Chief Administrative Officer
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
Phoenix, AZ



Do not write outside this box

Memo: Libra Solar LLC

Note: For information only. Comment has no effect on bank's payment.