

Case No. 17-1152-EL-BGN

December 14, 2023

Ohio Power Siting Board Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Attn: Grant Zeto

RE: Hillcrest Solar I, LLC

Case Nos. 17-1152-EL-BGN, 18-1267-EL-BGA, 20-0614-EL-BNR

Notice of Compliance with Certificate Condition #11 - During the construction and operation of the Solar Farm, Hillcrest shall submit to Staff a complaint summary report by the fifteenth day of April, July, October, and December of each year for the first five years of operation. The report should include a list of all complaints received through the Applicant's complaint resolution process, a description of the actions taken toward a resolution of each complaint, and a status update if the complaint has yet to be resolved.

Dear Mr. Zeto;

Hillcrest Solar I, LLC ("Hillcrest Solar") is certified to construct a solar-powered electric generation facility in Brown County, Ohio in accordance with the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (CECPN or Certificate) from the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) on February 15, 2018 (OPSB Case Number: 17-1152-EL-BGN), Order on Certificate on February 21, 2019 (OPSB Case Number 18-1267-EL-BGA) and Construction Notice for the Point of Interconnection/Transmission Line Project on June 21, 2020 (OPSB Case Number: 20-0614-EL-BNR).

In accordance with Certificate Condition #11, Hillcrest Solar is recording and tracking all complaints received regarding the Hillcrest Solar Project (the Project). Hillcrest Solar received **zero** formal complaints during the last quarter of 2023 (October 1 – December 15, 2023).

As per your request of October 23, 2023 to receive the complaint resolution log as a rolling log, we have revised our complaint logging system. Please find attached the running log of complaints and complaint resolutions attached to this letter. As this format is new to both Innergex and the OPSB, we are happy to receive feedback on the new rolling log.

We are available at your convenience to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Julia Mancinelle

Quarter	Date Complaint Received	Name	How they contacted INE	Nature of Primary Complaint	Complaint Description	Action Taken by INE	Resolution	Date of Resolution
	2023-08-30	Terry Adkins	By phone and in person	Personnel	Mr. Adkins reported that a site (NovaSource) vehicle drove by his property and the driver made a rude hand gesture.	Hillcrest Solar Site Manager called to resolve the issue twice, including sending the NovaSource driver of the vehicle in person to make an apology.	Nothing further is required	2023-09-07
	2023-08-29	Roger Rom	By phone	Drainage	Mr. Rom was concerned about the changes in drainage to his property since the construction of the project.	Hillcrest Solar Site Manager followed up with a phone call to Mr. Rom to discuss his concerns.	Drainage at the site will be addressed late in 2023 to spring 2024.	2023-09-30
Q3 2023	2023-08-23	Joseph Evans	By phone	Vegetation	Mr. Evan had complaints related to vegetation management and felt several areas of the site were overgrown and needed weeding. He would also like a tour of the site.	Hillcrest Solar Site Manager followed up with a phone call to Mr. Evans to discuss his concerns.	Most of the vegetation concerns will be addressed by late October 2023. Some of the larger, less frequently mowed areas may need to be addressed later during scheduled mowing. This can be affected by delays due to rainfall.	2023-09-30
	2023-08-08	Jay Holden	In person and by phone	Vegetation		Hillcrest Solar Site Manager followed up with a phone call to Mr. Holden on September 10 to discuss his concerns and work through solutions.	Hillcrest Solar will reduce the spraying area to a 5-ft swatch in the interim and will review the vegetation management approach for next year. The overgrown Cottonwood trees were trimmed back. The drainage issue will be addressed with additional mulch.	2023-08-08
Q1 2023	2023-01-24	Terry Adkins	In person and by phone	Multiple complaints	driving UTVs in the vicinity of the project, concerns that drainage in a specific problem drainage area has not been adequately addressed,	Hillcrest Solar Site Manager followed up with a phone call to Mr Adkins on January 24 to discuss his concerns and work through solutions. Mr Adkins and the Site Manager have also had several more phone calls through Q1, some initiated by Mr Adkins, others initiated by the Site Manager.		1900-01-00
Q2 2022	2022-05-18	Eliana Siders	Phone	Noise	Siders contacted Hillcrest Solar regarding a buzzing/humming sound that made her and her animals uncomfortable. She noted that it felt as though the air was "charged".	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	The complaint was deemed unlikely to be caused by the Project due to it's distance away from the Siders' location. The individual was informed of this and referred to the utility for resolution.	2022-05-18
	2021-03-16	Daryl Napier and David Hall	Phone	Other	December. When the Site Representative went to see Napier he also	Some AM frequencies may be affected by the underground cables and inverters. The Lands and Community Coordinator reached out the radio manufacturer for advice and are working with the company and Napier to find out if there are options to reduce interference.	Reducing interference is still being investigated, and the Project is maintaining discussions with landowners regarding solutions.	
Q1 2021	2021-02-05	Wade James Young	In person at site office	Personnel	Young flagged that site personnel were exceeding speed limits, there was damage to his property on the road shoulder, street sweepers were leaving mud when pulling into his driveway to turn around, and asked that the Project improve his driveway.	The Site Representative walked about the site with Young to hear his concerns and prepare a solution strategy. Speed was made a main topic of regular site construction meetings.	The Site Representative will be monitoring side roads more often to ensure speed limits are obeyed. Road repair is planned prior to COD on all county roads, and touch ups were made on Young's driveway to make up for the street sweeper's activity. Residential driveways are not to be used by large vehicles for turn arounds without permission.	2021-02-05
	2021-01-22	Cheryl Toney	Phone	Views	vacant lots. She was concerned that if she decided to sell the lots in the future, the view of the Project would impact the sale. She also informed	The Site Representative, Project Manager, Environment Coordinator, and Lands and Community Coordinator reviewed her properties in relation to the visual screening detailed in the Landscape Plan submitted to the OPSB and shared with landowners in preconstruction community events.	The Site Representative explained to Toney that as there were no residences on the lots, it was not included in the Landscape Plan. The street sweeper was sent to clean the roads near Toney's residence, and crews were reminded of the speed limits on local roads.	2021-01-30
	2021-01-20	Jill Maham	Phone	Mud/Dirt/Roadway impacts	construction dust. She was also concerned about ruts on her property by the shoulder of the road from heavy vehicles. She also inquired about	The Site Representative, Project Manager, Environment Coordinator, and Lands and Community Coordinator reviewed her properties in relation to the visual screening detailed in the Landscape Plan submitted to the OPSB and shared with landowners in preconstruction community events.	A car wash voucher was delivered to Maham. Road repair is planned prior to COD on all county roads. As Maham has a large area of natural vegetation between the residence and the Project, no additional visual screening was installed as per the Landscape Plan. This was explained to Maham.	2021-01-30
	2020-11-09	Nicole Oberrecht	Email	Other	Oberrecht had driven over a bolt on 286 which popped her tire.	The Land and Community Coordinator called Oberrecht to discuss reimbursing her for the expenses of replacing the tire and her inconvenience. They also discussed the actions being taken by Hillcrest Solar to keep the roads clean.	Oberrecht contact the Land and Community Coordinator to confirm receipt of the reimbursement and thanked her for being so prompt to respond.	2020-11-10

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	2020-11-06	Charles Gallimore	Gallimore called Open Road Renewables (previous Owner), whom forwarded the message to Hillcrest. Gallimore also dropped by the site office.	Traffic	Gallimore was upset with the traffic caused by construction as well as the dust and headlights shining into his home from workers in the evening and early morning.	The Site Representative listened to Gallimore's concerns and emailed PCL to address workers regarding the headlight issue and remind them of the importance of respecting the community.	The Site Representative informed Gallimore of the actions taken by Hillcrest to address the dust (sweepers) and traffic (communications to site personnel).	2020-11-09
	2020-10-29	Unnamed	Phone	Drainage	Brown County Soil and Water Conservation District received two calls from neighbors that water had accumulated on their properties due to the Project. Brown County relayed this information to the Environmental Coordinator.	The calls came during a significant rain event, and as per protocol the Environmental Monitor was scheduled for an inspection of stormwater BMPs the following day. All issues were noted in internal reports and forwarded to PCL. The issues were resolved within 1 week of the report.	Brown County did not pass on the contact information for the neighbours, so the information regarding stormwater BMP inspection and maintenance protocol was passed on to the callers through Brown County along with contact information if they wanted to follow up with the Site Representatives in the future.	2020-11-05
	2020-10-28	Patricia Rowlands	Email	Mud/Dirt/Roadway impacts	Rowlands asked Hillcrest Solar if there was a way to keep Greenbush Road clear as she was having difficulty seeing the road lines due to dirt. Her and her husband's trucks would get dirty when driving through the Project area.		The Lands and Community Coordinator let Rowlands know that a second street sweeper was added to the fleet to help manage the dirt and keep the roads as clean as possible. Rowlands thanked her and noted that the second sweeper was making a difference.	2020-11-03
Q4 2020	2020-10-21	Diana Cravens	Email	Multiple complaints	Cravens was unhappy about the volume of traffic in the morning. As with Jackson, she stated delivery drivers were arriving around 6:00am and idling in front of her hours with lights on. She also references the dust settling on her porch-covering her patio furniture. Cravens also said that with the dust she was unable to host gatherings outdoors and voiced concern for the potential for site personnel to spread the illness.	Cravens' comments regarding dust, delivery trucks and worker socializing were relayed along with Jacksons. All workers on the Hillcrest Solar Project must wear a face covering on site and abide by all COVID-19 protocols including not coming to work when experiencing symptoms and/or when in known contact with someone who has tested positive or in self-isolation.	·	2020-10-23
	2020-10-20	Alan Jackson	Email	Noise	•	The Site Representative relayed his comments along with Cravens (see below) to PCL, whom instructed foremen to monitor crews to ensure they were not socializing after the work day. Street cleaning in the area was increased with the additional street sweeper. Opaque fencing was installed to reduce the impacts of delivery drivers arriving before the site gates opened in the morning.		2020-10-23
	2020-10-12	Jeremy Hill	Phone	Other	Hill was upset about the amount of garbage that is left on site. Hill also noted that reckless driving from site personnel had resulted in gravel thrown at his vehicle as well as on his property and a chicken run over.	The Site Representative met with Hill and his wife to discuss their concerns. The issue was discussed with PCL to bring about more awarenes of trash management on site.	Garbage was picked up from their property. s Payment of \$300 was delivered to Hill for his chicken and for the inconvenience of the garbage.	2020-10-14
	2020-10-09	Amanda Widmeyer	Email	Personnel	Widmeyer reported that a worker from the Project had knocked on her door at 6am to request a tow out of a ditch on her property. They refused and called authorities. The vehicle was pulled out of the ditch by another worker but left damage and debris on the property. Widmeyer requests that drivers be more cautious and follow the rules of the road.	directly to incidents in the case that an event such as this were to occur	responsibility to obey the rules of the road and respect the community. The worker responsible for the incident was identified and dismissed from the Project. It is noted that this worker lives in the area and will likely still be on the road but is no longer affiliated with the Project.	2020-10-12

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Q3 2020	2020-09-18	Marty Richmond	Marty Richmond called Jason Sirois	Multiple complaints	on Driver Collins. JS knew this was from the crews pulling out from pull out (Westside) beside the borehole. JS went back and kicked the chunks off the road after his phone call with MR. JS explained to Don Demers of PCL that crews needed to install clean gravel in the ditch or restrict in/out traffic to the matted area. JS asked DD if DD could confirm that the street sweeper was making his way down this far. - Marty expalied he was upset because Deltro had been running telehandlers with full spools of cable down Mount Rd. MR expalined one time they pulled onto his concrete driveway fully loaded to get out of the way for oncoming traffic. MR was concerned that the heavyweight of the telly and reel of the cable would crack his driveway. Marty explained this was happening on Saturdays though he was not sure when it last	weekends. Regarding the telehandler coming onto Marty's driveway, Don Demers wil investigate and speak to crews to ensure this does not happen again. Regarding the mud on the road and how it is migrating onto Marty's driveway, DD asked JS to find a time that would work for Marty to have the street sweeper come by. Regarding the overgrown fields, JS asked DD if PCL vould get this area, which is project property, mowed down with the large tracker and get the ditch cleaned out afterward. DD let JS know that the bush hog is waiting or a drive shaft part, which was expected to arrive Sept. 18. DD let JS know	e	
	2020-09-10	Mary Willougby	Mary Willoughby called Rachel Crary of INE.	Traffic	construction and said it was negatively affecting her daily life. She explained she finds the numbers of workers and the proximity of them to her home upsetting. MW said she no longer feels comfortable letting her dogs out due to all of the construction and when she goes outside she feels as though there is always a worker staring at her. MW explained she was upset about the location of the road and the O&M building being so close to her property and that there was no longer the spacious feeling one expects living in a rural setting. MW said she no longer feels the	level now but would not last and would be coming to a close in the coming months. RC ommitted to calling MW back in the following week to see if the situation had improved. Jason Sirois offered to meet with MW to discuss any personnel concerns so she'll have his name and number. Rachel Crary will also remind MW in the next call that INE had accomodated her request to plant trees around her property which were a considerable cost to Innergex.		
	2020-08-22	Neighbours across the road from site D gate D2 on Mount Rd. (Likely, Terry and Julie Adkins).	Adkins' complained to Deltro who was running equipment near their home.	Multiple complaints	Deltro was running some equipment between Site B and D when 'someone' locked the gate on them. As they were standing there on the inside of the gate figuring what happened, a lady (pretty certain it is the	PCL has been spoken to numerous times about the mud, but within the past 2 weeks, the amount of mud has increased. While PCL has a sweeper attachment that goes on the end of a skid steer, it is not efficient and doesn't do a great job. Jason Sirois was told on Thursday, Aug. 20, 2020 that they recognized they have a problem and had ordered proper street sweepers (2), and should arrive within the next 7 days.		
	2020-08-21	Teresa and Douglas Waldron	Resident flagged Wood Supervisor.	Personnel	A family was walking their dog down Moon Rd and a couple of PCL pile driving workers on a UTV swerved at a dog as they were driving down the road. The landowner/neighbour told a Wood Supervisor who was in the general area of the incident.	received, PCL drove the roads try and find them and talk to them. Jason	While PCL was not cetain of who these workers were, they had a hunch. PCL will check the cameras on site and will take appropriate disciplinary action. Later in the day, Don Demers (PCL) got further colour on the story and all three workers involved were fired.	2020-08-21
	2020-08-20	Resident on Mount Road (individual lives across the street from access gate on the North end of Site D).	Resident flagged Cardo employee.	Dust	which the resident explained was a continous problem.	Cardno employee advised crews and INE of the complaint and explained that he had noted in almost every inspection he made that crews needed to clean track out on the roads. He explained that roads should be swept throughout the day to limit dirt and sediment being tracked on the roads and that it was a clear violation to the permit.	Crews committed to cleaning the roads more regularly.	2020-08-21
	2020-07-29	Marty	Marty filed complaint to crews on Driver Collins Rd.	Other	A non participating landowner complained to crews on Driver Collins and Moon Rd as one of the workers was tracking equipment across Driver Collins in the dark without flaggers or lights creating a hazardous situation and the tracked dirt also impacted Marty's vehicle.	to address the landowners concern.		2020-07-30

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	2020-07-21	Mary Willougby	Mary Wiloughby contacted Rachel Crary	Views	Mary Willoughby called Rachel Crary regarding her property, which is adjacent to the Hillcrest substation and O&M Building. MW described the appearance of the the substation, O&M and solar arrays as a priosn yard. MW expressed concerns about aesthetics and her view once the autumn arrives and the leaves begin to fall from the trees. MW asked if it was possible for us to have more fir trees planted to visually screen the project from her home. MW also noted that she could hear the workers' conversations from her home. Rachel Crary relayed MW concerns the larger team. While screening activities would not take place until Oct./Nov. they noted planting more evergreens would not be an issue. The team also marked the screening plans with edits around the O&M building to include more screening and gave those edits to PCL.	The team edits the screening plans to make it more robust and committed to screen more e around the O&M building and provided those edits to PCL.	2020-07-22
	2020-07-13	Wade James Young	Donovan Blumenthal of PCL saw Wade James Young on the road outside of area E's west acccess gate.	Noise	DB stopped his car as he noticed WJY was taking photos of the pile driving activity in Block 50. DB asked if everything was OK and extended his hand to which WJY said "youre not going to do anything for me". A conversation began which started calm however WJY began speaking of his mother's health and his tone changed. WJY spoke at length about his mother, saying all of the noise from the Pile Driving was hard on his mother, explaining she is diabetic, and needs shots and that the noise inhibits her sleep. WJY said many times that DB should meet her and then DB would understand. WJY said that if the noise led her to her dealth, that "you will all have hell to pay" and mentioned somone paying for her death multiple times. WJY also said that he had driven all the way to the back side and "you all didnt know it". This message was relayed to Rachel Crary. RC reached out to WJY wife, Ki and let her know that if the AC units were not sufficient the option to stay at the CountrySide Inn was still available. Kim noted she was happy with the AC units. RC also texted WJY on July 15, 2020 and he was still focused on his mothers health, his concern had switched from her being able to sleep to her having a nervous breakdown. WJY asked that RC communicat with Kim.	at the local Inn was still an option, however, they had not got back to say if they wanted to take advantage of an alternate space while the Pile Driving occurs near WJY mother's house.	
	2020-07-02	Female Driver in white Corvette.	While driving, a local neighbour stopped and compalained to one of the workers.	Traffic	The female drivers complaint was that people working on the project were driving too fast on Driver Collins Rd. She did not provide her name or any contact info. PCL sent out an email that same day to all their subcontractors to slow down on side roads.		2020-07-02
	2020-06-25	Wade James Young	Wade James Young contacted PCL admin who then advised INE of the complaint.	Multiple complaints	Wade James Young's concern was that the noise from the Pile Driving would have a negative impact on his mothers health. He explained that he had kenny Howells information and had been trying to get into contact with thim. Don Demers of PCL and Jason Sirois spoke with WJY later that day. WJY was very upset and explained that his family had been in the area since the 1970s. He explained that his mother was 80 yo and suffering from diabetes and is only able to sleep intermitently throughout the project and that the project and pile driving was creating excessive noise. PCL was concerned with the nature of WJY tone as PCL believed WJY to be intoxicated and was concered when he said "Hell will come if this (the work) drives her to an early death". WJY also left a message for JS saying, "this shit will kill her and suggested the solution that Hillcrest Solar buy their home so they can leave the area. From this point on, Rachel Crary reached out to WJY and was the sole point of contact for him and his mother. RC called WJY on June 26, 2020. WJY was pleasant to speak with and he reiterated his concerns about his mother and her difficult sleeping with the increase in noise due to the pile driving. RC acknowledged his issues and theydiscussed the following: WJY noted that he could hear the noise as they speaking and that it seemed the crews were % of a mile away. WJY said that he couldn't even imagine the noise when it will be even closer. WJY brought up the option of moving his mother however RC noted that process would take months, by which point the pile driving wouldn't be an issue. WJY noted he wanted to still pursue this option but stated, with no prompting from RC, that there's no stopping the project. Later on June 26, 2020, RC and WJY spoke again. RC suggested the idea that INE could stay in the Countryside inn while the pile driving work was around her home. WJY did not think his mother would agree to stay there. RC suggested INE could put her up in a local AirBNB but that it wouldn't likely be very close to M	RC spoke with Kim Young on July 7, 2020. They decided that the best option would be to have portable Air Conditioning Units so that the mother could still have cool, air circulating in her home and keep her widows shut. RC also let them know that INE would pay their electric bill for July and August and that Jason Sirois or Nick Adams would help install them if help is necessary. Kim Young's response was "That is so wonderful of you! Your help is greatly appreciated!" RC also let them know that if this option does not mitigate the noise that the option of paying for the mother to stay at an Inn or Air BNB would still be available.	2020-07-07
Q2 2020	2020-05-18	Howard Hawk	Howard Hawk contacted Nicholas Adams	Drainage	Howard reached out with concerns that silt fence installed adjacent to his fields are preventing water from draining from these fields. Howard and advise what corrections are recommended? Nicholas Adams said he indicated that Jamie was aware of the issue and that a section of silt fence would advise Cardno of any changes required. had been replaced with straw bails but that this had not corrected the issue. If this field does not drain Howard would not be able plant that field.		
	2020-03-24	Willaim Jones	William Jones called into USHO with a concern about the trucks and heavy machinery being driven along his road.	Mud/Dirt/Roadway impacts	WJ called, expressing conceren with the amount of dirt, rocks, gravel, etc. being left on the road and his main concern was that it could potentially damage his new vehicle. William also noted his neighbor across the street has classic cars and he didnt appreciate the mess, either. William Jones was hoping PCL would use a street sweeper to keep the roads clear of debris. Don Demers of PCL emailed William Jones back the same day his complain was recieved. DD let WJ know they were in the process of building the entrances into Site B located south of 286 and West of Driver Collins. DD informed WJ that the road work equipment he was seeing along the roadway would not continue throughout the duration of construction. DD expalined that WJ could contact him if he had any further questions or concerns.		2020-03-24

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	2020-03-17	Marty	Marty called the Vanccouver office.	Mud/Dirt/Roadway impacts	Marty called the Vancouver office explaining he was upset about how much dirt/gravel was on the road near site. He left his number and said he wanted to speak with someone about this issue and said he would also be open to meeting someone on site to discuss.	within an hour of receiving the complaint. Marty further explained to NA	The site was mostly cleared up shortly after Marty made the complaint and NA informed PCL of the issue.	2020-03-17
	2020-03-03	Susan Dickerson , non participating landowner	Email	Noise	Susan emailed noting that she lives across the street from the Project, noting construction was beginning everyday at 7a, and that PCL was parking across the street from her home. She noted while she would get used to the noise, her main concern was that her 2, very large English Mastiffs would attack someone if they parked too close.	introduce himself and confrim if PCL was parking where they shouldnt be.	JS and SD chat was polite and productive. JS reached out to PCL and asked they no longer park in this area and they confirmed they would adjust.	Feb. 3, 2020
	2020-02-07	Anthony (last name unknown, and Ja a non participating landowner)	ason Sirois communicated this complaint to the land team via email.	Traffic	Anthony came to the PCL site office to complain about a construction delivery truck driving on Clements Rd. As Clements Rd. is a dead-end steet, the large truck had to turn around on Anthony's property.	Jason Sirois looked into this issue and realized that if one were to Google directions to access the job site, it would direct you to use Clements Rd. To rectify this issue, PCL has ordered a sign and will have it installed at the entrance of Clements Rd. informing crew not to use this route.		Feb. 7, 2020
	2020-01-30	David Hall, non participating landowner	Main office, Vancouver	Personnel	DH called upset, saying one of the project crews was driving on his driveway and noted his property was not a point of access to the project. DH explained the crew's truck became stuck and casued damage to his driveway because it had to be towed out.	thanked her for the call, noting that the main reason he called was because he did not want this issue to be ignored. On February 2, 2020 Jason Sirois emailed Don Demers of PCL with details of the situation and the complained. Jason asked Don he speak with his crews to confirm if it was in fact one of his personnel who caused the damage, and, if so, that it be rectified. Later on February 2, DD confirmed it was one of his crews that		Feb. 3, 2020

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