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**Subject:** MPCA No Comment Letter Lake Charlotte Solar - Environmental Assessment  
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Greetings,

Please view the attached document for the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's comment letter for the project referenced above. If you have any questions, please reach out to Chris Green.

Thank you,

**Katie Jensen**

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March 4, 2026

VIA EMAIL

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RE: Lake Charlotte Solar - Environmental Assessment

Dear Cezar Panait:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Lake Charlotte Solar project (Project) located in Martin County, Minnesota. The Project consists of Lake Charlotte Solar, which proposes to construct the Lake Charlotte Solar Facility (Solar Facility) and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), in Rutland Township, Martin County, Minnesota. The Solar Facility is proposed as a solar energy conversion facility with a 150-megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) nameplate capacity. The associated BESS will consist of a stand-alone structure with a 150 MW/ 600-megawatt-hour (MWh) nameplate capacity and ancillary support infrastructure. Lake Charlotte Solar must obtain two site permits from the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission before it can construct the proposed Lake Charlotte Solar Project. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) staff has reviewed the EA and have no comments at this time.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this project. Please be aware that this letter does not constitute approval by the MPCA of any or all elements of the Project for the purpose of pending or future permit actions by the MPCA. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the Project proposer to secure any required permits and to comply with any requisite permit conditions. If you have any questions concerning our review of this EA, please contact me by email at [chris.green@state.mn.us](mailto:chris.green@state.mn.us) or by telephone at 507-476-4258.

Sincerely,

*Chris Green*

*This document has been electronically signed.*

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