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RESPONSE TO UPDATED IPA LOTTERY PROPOSAL

IPS Solar strongly disagrees with the Illinois Solar Energy Industry Association's assertion that there should be a September 10th cut-off date for Community Solar applications. Numerous representatives from Ameren Corporation indicated to the solar industry that there would be a September 15th deadline for them to process interconnection applications in time for the preliminary Adjustable Block deadline of mid-January.

It would be unfair to developers who were adhering to the utility's guidance by arbitrarily eliminating applications. We believe this is a concerted effort by a handful of large, national developers to limit the amount competition for their projects.

Had the IPA, utilities, or any other authority identified the September 10th deadline in advance there would be no question about whether or not applications submitted after that date would be eligible. In this case it would be inequitable to adopt a hard cutoff date of September 10th.

If a cutoff date for Community Solar projects is desired September 15th would be a logical date and not the 10th.

Thank you for your consideration.

-Eric Pasi
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