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Alberta Utilities Commission  
Eau Claire Tower  
1400, 600 Third Avenue S.W.  
Calgary, Alberta T2P 0G5

Dear Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC):

Re: Proposed Red Deer Regional Airport 20 MW ground-mounted solar project – Letter of support

On behalf of Red Deer County, please accept this letter of support to the Red Deer Regional Airport's 20 MW ground-mounted solar project in Saturn Power's application to the Alberta Utilities Commission.

The Project has been developed in close partnership with Red Deer Regional Airport and Red Deer County. Most of the land hosting the project is owned by Red Deer Regional Airport which is in turn partially owned by Red Deer County. Both stakeholders are strong champions for the initiative.

Utilizing the vacant airport land is compatible with airport operations and an excellent means of generating revenue for the community on land that cannot be developed in other ways due to land use restrictions relating to airport operations and safety. The community of Springbrook is one of Alberta's fastest growing communities with a current population of 2,000 people. This project will generate valuable revenue for this emerging hamlet while also supporting the Red Deer Regional Airport.

Red Deer County is proud to support this exciting new project, as renewable energy is identified as a priority in the Red Deer County Economic Development Strategic Plan (2017).

If you require more information about the Red Deer County's support of the Red Deer Regional Airport 20 MW ground-mounted solar project, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Dittrick".

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