



June 10, 2009

Peter Lowitt
Devens Enterprise Commission

Subject: Noise Compliance Plan

Dear Mr. Lowitt,

As committed during the DEC hearing last Thursday, attached is the Evergreen Solar plan to address our noise compliance issues. The plan includes mitigation for all 'First Tier' noise sources identified in the 'Facility Noise Analysis' conducted by Modeling Specialties delivered to Evergreen Solar on June 1, 2009. Although the Sound Level modeling has not been completed at this time, Modeling Specialties believes that addressing these First Tier issues will significantly reduce offending sound levels. Further noise analysis will need to take place after the First Tier sources have been mitigated to determine what, if any, Second Tier sources will need mitigation.

The 'Facility Noise Analysis' indicates that the facility is 9dba over the standard at the property line. The recommended reduction level is 15dba. This is what we are targeting with the attached plan.

There are five First Tier noise sources identified in the 'Facility Noise Analysis' that will be addressed by this plan. Due to the significant Engineering work and lead times of the material/equipment needed for the sound mitigation some items will not be completed until early September, where possible we have taken immediate corrective actions. As an example; one primary source of noise is the 'VOC process blowers', which require custom enclosures. We have already started the construction of the first custom enclosure for evaluation and anticipate completion by the end of next week. Once the evaluation is complete the subsequent enclosures will be constructed as expeditiously as possible.

We have also approved the funds to fix the gas pumping noise. We expect to place PO's by weekending June 13, pending confirmation from Praxair that the current design will alleviate the decibel noise reduction.

Evergreen Solar would like to assure the DEC and our neighbors that this is a top priority for us. It is Evergreen Solar's policy to meet or exceed all environmental, health and safety regulations. We are taking this situation very seriously and we will do what ever is necessary to get our facility within the DEC compliance standard as quickly as possible. To this end I have assigned one of our top project managers to be 100% dedicated to this effort. He will be holding regular reviews and providing weekly updates to the DEC commission and interface with others as required.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rodolfo Archbold", written over a circular stamp or mark.

Rodolfo Archbold
Vice President, Worldwide Operations

Noise Mitigation Timeline (Tier 1)			
Item	Action Plan	Target Date	Impact
Argon and Nitrogen gas deliveries	Install ground pumps and enclosures	21-Aug-09	Reduce noise levels during deliveries
VOC RTO process blowers (3)	Construct enclosures	10-Jul-09	Reduce primary First Tier noise source
ASX exhaust Stacks (2)	Install stack attenuators	21-Aug-09	Reduce First Tier noise source
Cooling Tower (Phase 2 #5)	Install intake silencers	4-Sep-09	Reduce First Tier noise source
Cooling Towers (all 9)	Install exhaust fan attenuators	4-Sep-09	Reduce First Tier noise source
VOC combustion blowers	Install Enclosures	17-Jul-09	Replace temporary solution

Long lead equipment has:

- Inlet Attenuators
- Outlet Attenuators

* Truck port is still being evaluated