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**Engineer-PE** 

Pro Custom Solar LLC 3096B Hamilton Blvd South Plainfield, NJ 07080 732-902-6224 October 4, 2023

Re: Proposed Photovoltaic Solar Panel Installation

Barbara Bebbington 222 SOUTHWEST COLISEUM PLACE LAKE CITY, FL 32025

#### Dear Plan Reviewer:

Certification: I have reviewed the engineering testing reports for the racking and attachments to be used on this project and I certify that the products are capable of supporting the code required loads and are suitable for this installation when installed in strict compliance with the manufacturers printed instructions.

Regarding the solar panel array installation on the above referenced project please note that an inspection was performed by a representative of the Architect/Engineer of Record, and analysis of the existing structure was conducted. There is adequate structural capacity for the installation of the array with the following recommendations:

- 1. The array will be installed on the existing roof. The roof framing is constructed of 2"x4" wood trusses @24" o.c. spanning 16'3" with a top chord length of 17'7" with intermediate supports at 1/3rd points, making the effective longest span equals 7'10" with 1/2" plywood sheathing. The new array (See Site map by contractor) will add 2.63 Lb. / Sf. overall to the roof. The existing structure is sufficient to support the new loads associated with the additional weight & wind resistance. No additional structural support is required for the roof structure.
- 2. The attachment system shall be secured to the roof and shall be in strict compliance with manufacturers printed instructions. The attachment system shall be UL 1703 approved tested. Provide water tight sealant at all penetrations. Attachments shall follow panel rows as specified by the system manufacturer's installation manual. The panel angle shall match the roof slope. Reference summary table below:

Roof Type:	Corrugated Metal	Fastener Max Spacing (in.)		
Attachment System:	"SunModo"® & "UNIRAC SM" Mounting Systems	Wind Zone 1	Wind Zone 2	Wind Zone 3
Fastener Info:	min. 5/16" x 4" long stainless-steel lags with a min. embedment of 3" into the rafters	48	24	24

- 3. Solar Modules shall be UL-1703 rated. Refer to manufacturers specifications sheets.
- 4. Positive drainage of the system shall be so as not to void the existing roof warranty.
- 5. All aspects of the installation shall comply with the Florida Administrative Code, 2020 Florida Building Code Residential Seventh Edition, ASCE-7-16, 2020 Florida Building Code Energy Conservation, Seventh Edition, 2017 National Electric Code, All Local Governing County and Municipal Ordinances adopted by reference or enacted by law. All components used meet the criteria of the Florida Solar Energy Center.
- 6. Please refer to the attached structural calculations.

If you have any questions relating to this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

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# **Gravity Load Calculation Criteria**

Structural Design Loads per ASCE 7-16

Dead Loads = 10 psf + 2.6 psf (new solar panels) = 12.6 psf

Roof Live Load = 20 psf

Ground Snow Load/Live Load = 0 psf

## Wind Load Calculation Criteria

Wind Loads per ASCE 7-16, Equation 29.4-7

Using an effective wind area of 10 SF, external pressure coefficient from Figure 30.3-A-I

Zone 1 = -26.8 psf Roof Slope = 14 degrees Roof Mean Height = 15 ft

Zone 2 = -34.8 psf Basic Wind Speed = 120 mph

Zone 3 = -40.2 psf Exposure = B

Per section 2.4.1, ASD combo = D + 0.6W:

Zone 1 = 2.6 psf + 0.6(-26.8 psf) = -13.5 psf

Zone 2 = 2.6 psf + 0.6(-34.8 psf) = -18.3 psf

Zone 3 = 2.6 psf + 0.6(-40.2 psf) = -21.5 psf

### Check Attachment to Wood Truss

Use 5/16 dia. Lag screw w/ 3" embedment into 2 in. wide roof rafter

Lag Screw Spacing: Lag Screw Tributary Area:

Zone 1 = 48" o.c. max Zone 1 =  $(48" \text{ o.c. max})^2 / 144 = 16 \text{ SF}$ Zone 2 = 24" o.c. max Zone 2 =  $(24" \text{ o.c. max})^2 / 144 = 4 \text{ SF}$ Zone 3 = 24" o.c. max Zone 3 =  $(24" \text{ o.c. max})^2 / 144 = 4 \text{ SF}$ 

Lag Screw Forces: W = 266lb/in (Table 12.2A, 2015 NDS)

Zone 1 = 13.5 psf x 16 SF = 216 lb < W', OK Cd = 1.6 (Table 2.3.2, 2015 NDS) Zone 2 = 18.3 psf x 4 SF = 73 lb < W', OK Ct = 1 (Table 2.3.3, 2015 NDS) Zone 3 = 21.5 psf x 4 SF = 86 lb < W', OK Ct = 1 (W' = W x embed x Cd x Ct

 $W' = 266 \text{ lb/in } \times 3 \text{ in. } \times 1.6 \times 1 = 1276.8 \text{ lb}$