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SUBJECT: Environmental Assessment for the Front Range Midway Solar
Project, LLC

Based on my responsibilities under Section 5.a. (8) and 5.c. of DOE Order 451.1B, National Environmental Policy Act Compliance Program, I have determined that the subject project will require an environmental assessment (EA).

The proposed project qualifies for an EA under the DOE regulations at Appendix C to Subpart D of Part 1021, Category C7. Category C7 applies to the proposed action because the interconnection agreement involves the addition of new solar energy generation that is less than 50 average megawatts.

The proposed project location is in El Paso County, Colorado, about 10 miles south of Fountain and one-half mile west of Interstate 25. The proposed project area is approximately 1,000 acres, and project infrastructure could cover up to 80% of the project area depending on final project layout and design. Ownership is primarily private, with about 105 acres owned by El Paso County. Front Range-Midway Solar Project, LLC has, or is actively working to obtain, leases with each landowner for project development.

Per Section 5.a. (2) of DOE Order 451.1B, I have designated Cynthia Adornetto to be the DOE NEPA Document Manager for the EA. Please assign an EA number to this project and contact Cynthia Adornetto at (720) 962-7255, if you have any questions.