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Subject: Soitec Solar Projects in East County
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Ashley,

I would like to distribute this letter in support of Soitec Solar to the County Supervisors. Thank you.

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January 9, 2015

San Diego County
Board of Supervisors
1600 Pacific Highway #335, San
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Ashley.Gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov

RE: February 4th, Supervisors Meeting,
Soitec Solar Rugged Solar and Tierra del Sol Solar Farm projects

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Rugged Solar and Tierra del Sol Solar Farm projects developed by Soitec Solar, Inc. have committed to the long-term support of the education programs of the Imperial Valley Desert Museum as part of their Public Benefits package.

The Imperial Valley Desert Museum has a mission to preserve, interpret, and celebrate the deserts of Southern California. The most important part of our mission is our hands-on education programs that support STEM learning and an understanding of the adaptation of people, plants, and animals to our extreme environment.

Soitec has been deeply committed to the support of research and development in new technologies and has a history of supporting education in science, technology, and math.

Their support of the Imperial Valley Desert Museum will allow us to move our hands-on educational programs into East County and will provide educational opportunities for nearly 4,000 youth a year in San Diego and Imperial Counties.

There are very few extra-curricular and educational-support programs within our region, and the support provided by the above Soitec projects will be dramatic improvements to the areas served.

Sincerely,
Neal V. Hitch
Director
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