

APPENDIX B: - EXAMPLE DECOMMISSIONING PLAN FOR A SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM

Decommission Plan for _____ Date _____

Prepared and Submitted by _____

As required by the Town of Clarkton as a condition of the Conditional Use Permitted, the company
_____ presents this decommissioning plan.

- A. Decommissioning will occur as a result of any of the following conditions:
- 1.The land lease ends.
 - 2.The system does not produce power for 12 months.
 - 3.The system is damaged and will not be repaired or replaced.
- B. The operator of the facility will do the following as a minimum to decommission the project.
1. Remove all non-utility owned equipment, conduits, structures, and foundations to a depth of at least three feet below grade.
 2. Remove all graveled areas and access roads and fencing unless the owner of the leased real estate requests in writing for it to stay in place.
 3. Restore the land to its condition before SES development, including replacement of top soil removed or eroded.
 4. Revegetate any cleared areas with warm season grasses that are native to the Piedmont region, unless requested in writing by the owner of the real estate to not revegetate due to "firm" plans for agricultural planting or residential or commercial development.
- C. All said removal and decommissioning shall occur within 12 months of the facility ceasing to produce power for sale.
- D. The operator of the farm, currently _____, is responsible for this decommissioning. Nothing in this plan relieves any obligation that the real estate property owner may have to remove the facility as outlined in the special use permit in the event the operator of the farm does not fulfill this obligation.

- E. The operator of the farm will provide Town of Clarkton planning department and the Bladen County register of deeds with an updated signed decommissioning plan within 30 days of change of solar energy system operator.
- F.
- G. The land lease (running for ____ years from _____ with two optional five year extensions) for this project specifies that the current operator of the farm will decommission the SES, specifically the lease states "placeholder for language from the lease stating the decommissioning responsibility of the project operator".
- H. This plan may be modified from time to time with town/county planning staff approval. Any updates will be submitted to the Harnett County register of deeds by the party responsible for decommissioning.

SES Operator Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Landowner (if different from Operator) Signature:

_____ Date: _____

TOWN OF CLARKTON

_____ (printed name)

Mayor

Signature of Mayor

ATTEST:
