# MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 5 Montgomery Ave., Takoma Park Meeting Date: 6/26/2024

**Resource:** Contributing Resource **Report Date:** 6/18/2024

**Takoma Park Historic District** 

**Applicant:** Margo Ricks, Agent **Public Notice:** 6/12/2024

**Review:** HAWP **Tax Credit:** no

Case Number: 1068720 Staff: Dan Bruechert

**Proposal:** Solar Panel Installation

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Commission **approve** the HAWP application.

#### PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource to the Takoma Park Historic District

STYLE: Queen Anne

DATE: 1923



Figure 1: The subject property is located near the southern edge of the Takoma Park Historic District.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On May 24, 2023, the HPC approved a HAWP to construct an addition, restore the siding, and install a architectural shingle roof.

#### **PROPOSAL**

The applicant proposes to install 20 (twenty) roof-mounted solar panels.

#### **APPLICABLE GUIDELINES**

The Historic Preservation Office and Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) consult several documents when reviewing alterations and new construction within the Takoma Park Historic District. These documents include the historic preservation review guidelines in the approved and adopted amendment for the *Takoma Park Historic District (Guidelines)*, *Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A)*, and the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards)*, and the HPC's *Policy No. 20-01 ADDRESSING EMERGENCY CLIMATE MOBILIZATION THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF ROOF-MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS*. The pertinent information in these four documents is outlined below.

#### Takoma Park Historic District Guidelines

There are two broad planning and design concepts which apply to all categories. These are:

- The design review emphasis will be restricted to changes that are all visible from the public rightof-way, irrespective of landscaping or vegetation (it is expected that the majority of new additions will be reviewed for their impact on the overall district), and
- The importance of assuring that additions and other changes to existing structures act to reinforce and continue existing streetscape, landscape, and building patterns rather than to impair the character of the historic district.

A majority of the buildings in the Takoma Park Historic District have been assessed as being "Contributing Resources." While these buildings may not have the same level of architectural or historical significance as Outstanding Resources or may have lost some degree of integrity, collectively, they are the basic building blocks of the Takoma Park district. They are important to the overall character of the district and the streetscape due to their size, scale, and architectural qualities, rather than for their particular architectural features.

Contributing Resources should receive a more lenient level of design review than those structures that have been classified as Outstanding. This design review should emphasize the importance of the resource to the overall streetscape and its compatibility with existing patterns rather than focusing on a close scrutiny of architectural detailing. In general, however, changes to Contributing Resources should respect the predominant architectural style of the resource.

The following guidance which pertains to this project are as follows:

• All exterior alterations, including those to architectural features and details, should be generally consistent with the predominant architectural style and period of the resource and should preserve

the predominant architectural features of the resource; exact replication of existing details and features is, however, not required.

- Minor alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public right-of-way -such as vents, metal stovepipes, air conditioners, fences, skylights, etc. should be allowed as a matter of course; alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public right-of-way which involve the replacement of or damage to original ornamental or architectural features are discouraged but may be considered and approved on a case-by-case basis.
- Alterations to features that are not visible at all from the public right-of-way should be allowed as a matter of course.
- All changes and additions should respect existing environmental settings, landscaping, and patterns of open space.

#### Montgomery County Code, Chapter 24A-8

The following guidance which pertains to this project are as follows:

- (b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to ensure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:
  - (1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
  - (2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter;
  - (6) In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit.
- (d) In the case of an application for work on an historic resource located within an historic district, the commission shall be lenient in its judgment of plans for structures of little historical or design significance or for plans involving new construction, unless such plans would seriously impair the historic or architectural value of surrounding historic resources or would impair the character of the historic district. (Ord. No. 9-4, § 1; Ord. No. 11-59.)

#### Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation

The Secretary of the Interior defines rehabilitation as "the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values." The applicable *Standards* are as follows:

- 2. The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

Historic Preservation Commission Policy No. 20-01: Addressing Emergency Climate Mobilization Through the Installation of Roof-Mounted Solar Panels

#### Now, THEREFORE:

WHEREAS, Historic Area Work Permit decisions are guided by the criteria in Section 24A, The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, and pertinent guidance from applicable master plan amendments and/or site or district-specific studies;

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation as interpreted by the National Park Service limit the placement of rooftop solar panels under Standards 2, 9, and 10 to less conspicuous locations;

WHEREAS, the County Council has established a Climate Emergency;

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation is a body established by the County Executive and County Council;

WHEREAS, Section 24-8(b)(6) states, "In balancing the interest of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit;"

WHEREAS, the widespread use of solar panels, both for hot water and for electricity production, will reduce greenhouse gases in the county, in accordance with the aims of the Emergency Climate Mobilization resolution (Resolution No.: 18-974), it shall be the policy of the Historic Preservation Commission that:

- 1. The preferred locations for solar panel installation(s) on a designated historic site or an historic resource located within an historic district is a) on the rear of the property, b) on non-historic building additions, c) on accessory structures, or d) in ground-mounted arrays;
- 2. If it is not feasible to install solar panels in one of the identified preferred locations due to resource orientation or other site limitations; and,
- 3. The roof is determined to be neither architecturally significant, nor a character-defining feature of the resource, nor is it a slate or tile roof, that unless it can be demonstrated that the solar array will be installed without damaging the historic character of the resource or historic fabric; then

4. The public welfare is better served by approving a Historic Area Work Permit for solar panels on all visible side or front roof slopes under Section 24A-8(b)(6).

A Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP) is required for all work referenced in this policy.

#### **STAFF DISCUSSION**

The subject property is a two-and-a-half-story Queen Anne house with a cross-gable roof and a wrap-around porch. A rear gable addition was constructed in late 2023. The applicant proposes to install 20 (twenty) solar panels on the house roof. The proposed solar panels are arranged in three arrays, with two other panels installed on rear-facing roof slopes. Staff finds the proposed solar installation is consistent with the HPC's guidance, the *Design Guidelines*, and Chapter 24A.

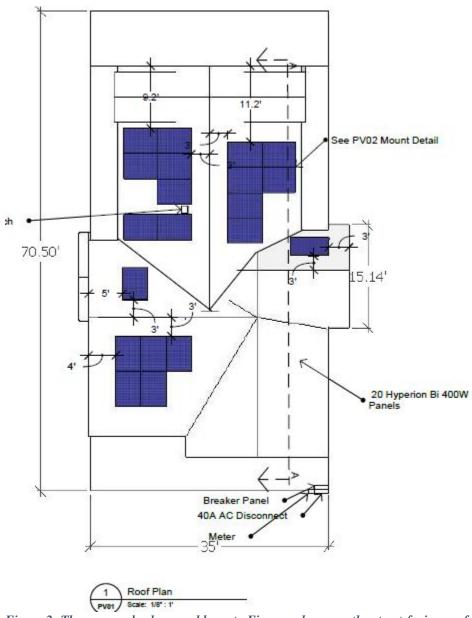


Figure 2: The proposed solar panel layout. Five panels are on the street-facing roof slope.

#### **Rear Addition**

The applicant proposes to install a majority (13 of 20) of the solar panels on the recently completed rear addition.

Staff finds these panels are located in one of the preferred locations identified in the HPC's adopted solar panel policy – non-historic rear additions – and that the panels will not be highly visible from the public right-of-way. Staff additionally finds that the *Design Guidelines* state alterations not visible from the right-of-way should be allowed as a matter of course. While the adopted <u>Solar Panel Illustrated Design Guidelines</u> show the HPC's preference for arranging panels in an organized configuration to avoid a disjointed opinion, Staff finds the limited visibility of these panels will not have a significant impact on the house's visual characteristics and will not impact the character of the district.

Staff finds the 13 (thirteen) solar panels on the rear addition will not have a significant impact on the character of the house or surrounding district and recommends the HPC approve them under 24A-8(b)(2) and (d); the *Design Guidelines*; Standards 2, 9, and 10; and the HPC's adopted solar policy.

#### **Rear Roof Slopes**

The applicant proposes to install two solar panels on rear-facing roof slopes. One panel will be installed on the south-facing roof slope on the east-facing gable and one on the west-facing gable. These two panels are in one of the preferred locations (on the rear of the property) in the HPC's adopted solar policy.

Staff finds that neither of these panels will be visible from the public right-of-way and that their installation will not impact the roof profile. Staff additionally finds that the *Design Guidelines* state alterations not visible from the right-of-way should be allowed as a matter of course. As with the panels on the non-historic addition, Staff does not find that the arrangement of the panels will detract from the character of the house or surrounding district because they will not be at all visible from the public right-of-way.

Staff finds the two solar panels on the rear-facing gables will not have a significant impact on the character of the house or surrounding district and recommends the HPC approve them under 24A-8(b)(2) and (d); the *Design Guidelines*; Standards 2, 9, and 10; and the HPC's adopted solar policy.

#### **Front-Facing Roof Slope**

On the left (east) side of the front-facing roof slope, the applicant proposes to install 5 (five) solar panels. These panels will be highly visible from the public right-of-way. The street-facing roof slope is not a preferred location for solar panels for Contributing and Outstanding Resources.

When solar panels are proposed for the front roof slope, the applicant needs to first, demonstrate that none of the preferred locations are feasible. In this instance, the applicant proposes to install panels in two of the preferred locations (a non-historic addition and rear roof slope); and the other two preferred locations (an accessory structure and ground-mounted array) are not feasible due to the size of the lot and the small size of the existing shed. Second, the roof needs to be found to be neither architecturally significant nor a material that will be irreparably damaged by the solar installation. Staff finds a complex roof form is typical of Queen Anne architecture, however, Staff also finds that the character of the roof will not be significantly harmed by installing the solar panels. Additionally, the recently installed architectural, asphalt shingle roof will not be irreparably damaged by installing these roof-mounted solar panels. Finally, the applicant demonstrated that the estimated solar panel will likely not exceed the house's electricity needs.

In the immediate area surrounding the subject property, there is one Outstanding Resource, at 10 Pine

Ave. The remaining houses are Non-Contributing or Contributing. Staff finds installing solar panels on the front elevation will not impact the viewshed of any significant resources.



Figure 3: The subject property (shown with a star) and the only Outstanding Resource at 10 Pine Ave. (shown with a +).

Staff finds the proposed front-facing solar panels will not seriously detract from the character of the house and surrounding district; and can be removed without damaging historic fabric. Staff finds the 5 (five) solar panels on the front-facing roof slope will not have a significant impact on the character of the house or surrounding district and recommends the HPC approve them under 24A-8(b)(2) and (d); the *Design Guidelines*; Standards 2, 9, and 10; and the HPC's adopted solar policy.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

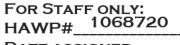
Staff recommends that the Commission <u>approve</u> the HAWP application; under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b)(2), (6), and (d), having found that the proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of the historic resource and is compatible in character with the district and the purposes of Chapter 24A;

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation #2, #9, and #10;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present an electronic set of drawings, if applicable, to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff's discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make **any alterations** to the approved plans. Once the work is completed the applicant will contact the staff person assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or dan.bruechert@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.





## DATE ASSIGNED\_ **APPLICATION FOR** HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

APPL	ICANT:
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Name: Margo Ricks	E-mail: mricks@solarsolutionllc.com
Address: 4700 14th st NW	<sub>city:</sub> washington <sub>zip:</sub> 20011
Daytime Phone: 2022491112	Tax Account No.:
AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):	
Name:	E-mail:
Address:	_ City: Zip:
Daytime Phone:	Contractor Registration No.:
LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE: MIHP # o	of Historic Property
Is the Property Located within an Historic Distri	ct? XYes/District Name Takoma ParkNo/Individual Site Name
	nvironmental Easement on the Property? If YES, include a n the Easement Holder supporting this application.
Are other Planning and/or Hearing Examiner A (Conditional Use, Variance, Record Plat, etc.?) I supplemental information.	pprovals /Reviews Required as part of this Application? f YES, include information on these reviews as
Building Number:5 Stree	et: Montgomery Avenue
	rest Cross Street:
Lot: Block: Subd	livision: Parcel:
for proposed work are submitted with this be accepted for review. Check all that apply:  New Construction  Deck/Por Addition  Fence	
Grading/Excavation Roof	Other:
and accurate and that the construction will consequence and hereby acknowledge and accept	ke the foregoing application, that the application is correct mply with plans reviewed and approved by all necessary this to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.
Margo Ricks	4/30/24

#### Adjacent and Confronting Properties:

#### Takoma Park, MD 20912

- 1 Montgomery Avenue
- 6 Montgomery Avenue
- 8 Montgomery Avenue
- 9 Montgomery Avenue
- 10 Montgomery Avenue
- 10 Pine Avenue
- 24 Pine Avenue
- 26 Pine Avenue
- 102 Elm Avenue
- 104 Elm Avenue
- 106 Elm Avenue
- 108 Elm Avenue

# HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFING [Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners] Owner's mailing address Owner's Agent's mailing address 5 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 4700 14th st NW Washington DC Adjacent and confronting Property Owners mailing addresses 1 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 9 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 6 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 8 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 10 Pine Ave Takoma Park MD

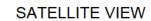
Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:
Traditional style house with north and south facing pitches. There are surrounding houses with solar modules visible to the street.
Description of Work Proposed: Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:
To install 8.8kW solar array (22 modules) on roof of building.

Work Item 1: Solar	_
Description of Current Condition:	Proposed Work:
currently shingled roof	add 22 modules to roof of building
Work Item 2:	<b>-</b>
Description of Current Condition:	Proposed Work:
Work Item 3:	
Description of Current Condition:	Proposed Work:

# HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT CHECKLIST OF APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

	Required Attachments						
Proposed Work	I. Written Description	2. Site Plan	3. Plans/ Elevations	4. Material Specifications	5. Photographs	6. Tree Survey	7. Property Owner Addresses
New Construction	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Additions/ Alterations	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Demolition	*	*	*		*		*
Deck/Porch	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Fence/Wall	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Driveway/ Parking Area	*	*		*	*	*	*
Grading/Exc avation/Land scaing	*	*		*	*	*	*
Tree Removal	*	*		*	*	*	*
Siding/ Roof Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Window/ Door Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Masonry Repair/ Repoint	*	*	*	*	*		*
Signs	*	*	*	*	*		*







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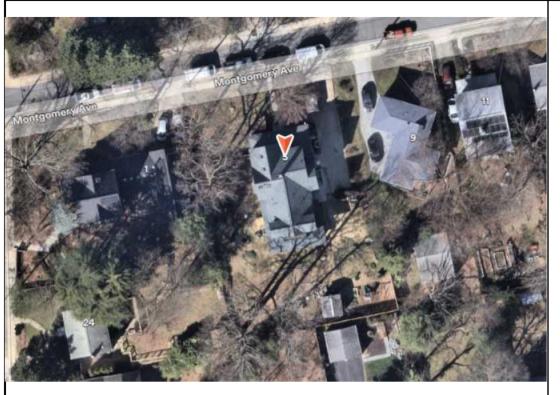
PV02\_Mount Detail

PV03\_Hardware Specs

E01\_Electrical Diagram

**E02\_Electrical Calculations** 

E03\_Electrical Labels





## Scope of Work:

To install 8.8kW size of solar panels on roof of building.

#### CODES:

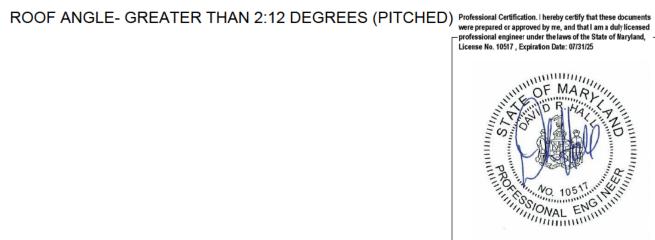
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- **NEC 2017**
- IBC 2018
- CC 2018

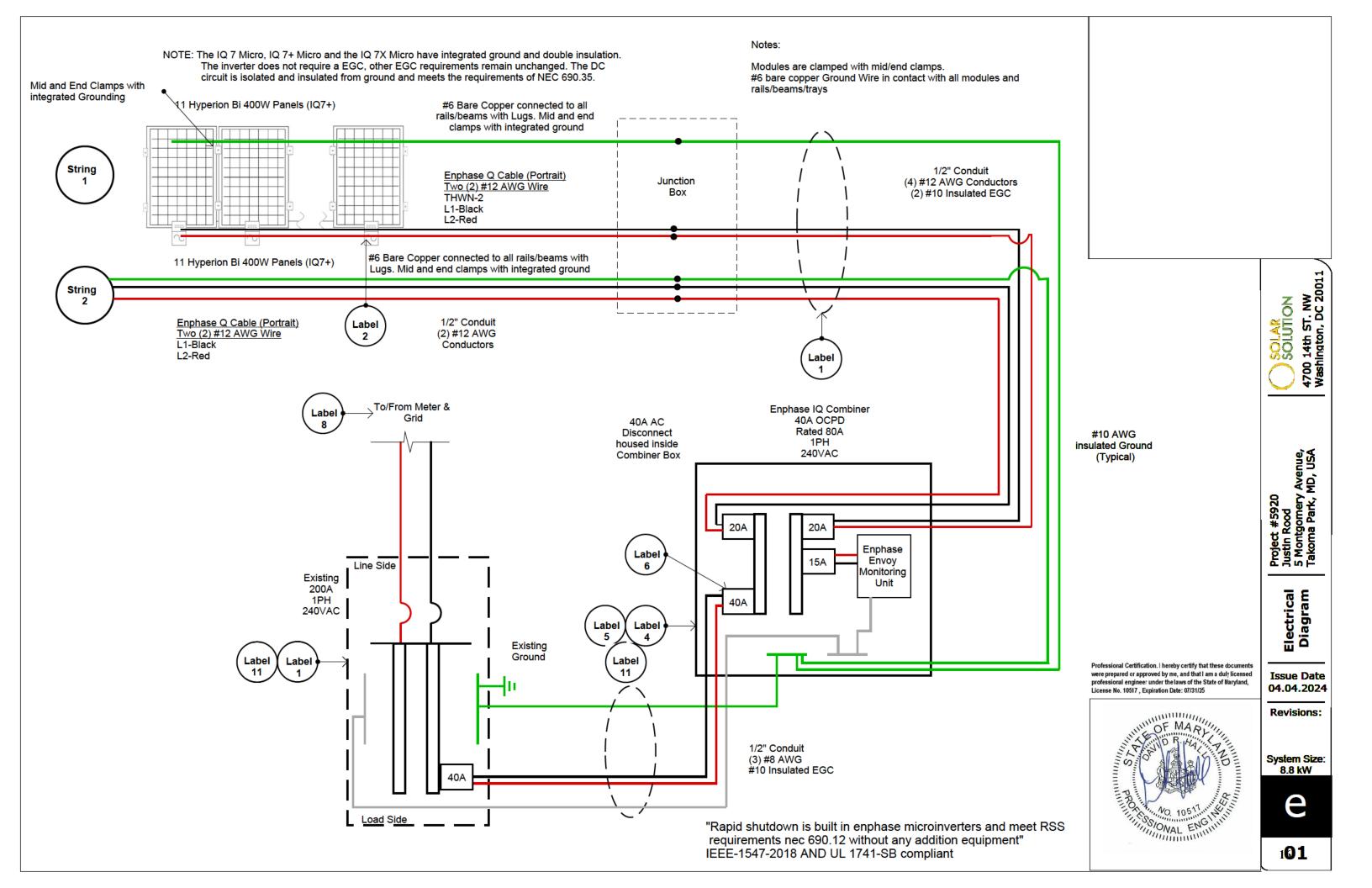
BUILDING USE - SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT

CONSTRUCTION TYPE- III

REQUIRED FIRE CODE OFFSETS - MINIMUM 3 FEET OFFSETS FROM RIDGE AND EAVES

**ROOF RATING - CLASS A** 





#### CODE REFERENCE:

ART 690.8 (A)

- 1. The maximum current shall be the sum of parallel module rated short circuit currents multiplied by 125%.
- 3. The maximum current shall be the inverter continuous output current rating.

ART 690.8(B)(1)

- CONDUCTION MUST HAVE 30 C AMPACITY > 125% OF CONTINUOUS CURRENT PER 690.8(A)
- CONDUCTOR MUST HAVE (AFTER CORRECTIONS FOR CONDITIONS OF USE) GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO CONTINUOUS CURRENT PER TABLE 310.15
- 3. EVALUATE CONDUCTOR TEMPERATURE AT TERMINATION PER ART 110.14(C). AMPACITY OF WIRE DERATED FOR CONDITIONS OF TERMINATION MUST BE > CONTINUOUS CURRENT X 1.25.

#### DC CALCULATIONS

SYSTEM SIZE: 22X 400 W = 8.8kW

PV SOURCE CIRCUIT
PV MODULE ISC = 13.79 A
# OF MODULES IN PARALLEL PER CIRCUIT = 1
MAX ISC = 1 X 13.79 A X 1.25 = 17.23A
OCPD/Ampacity = 17.23A x 1.25 = 21.54 A, 20A OCPD

SOURCE CIRCUIT WIRING

CONDUCTOR = COPPER #10 AWG THWN-2 90°C RATED

CORRECTION FACTORE FOR 60°C AMBIENT = 0.71

CORRECTED AMPACITY: 40 A X 0.71 X 0.8 = 22.72A > 21.54A

#### **AC Current Calculations**

Total Panels: 22 x 1.21A = 27.83A String 1: 11 x 1.21A = 13.31A String 2: 11 x 1.21A = 13.31A

Combiner Box Home Run Current: 22 x 1.21A = 27.83A OCPD Sizing: 40A 80% of OCPD = 40A x .8 = 32A > 27.83A

Wiring for Combiner Box: 1/2" Conduit #8 AWG & #10 Ground

Conductor for #8 AWG THWN-2 90 C Rated Correction Factor for 45 C Ambient = 0.87

Corrected Ampacity: 55Ax0.87x0.8 = 38.28A > 27.83A



Project #5920 Justin Rood 5 Montgomery Avenue, Takoma Park, MD, USA

> Electrical Calculations

Issue Date 04.04.2024

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Revisions:

System Size: 8.8 kW



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#### **Solar System Warning Labels Material**

Vinyl Material - Flexcon DPM FWS White Vinyl

Reflective Material - Avery Dennison T-1500-A Engineering Grade Beaded Retroreflective Film

Lamination - Flexcon DPM Clear Gloss Polyester Laminate



PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SOURCE 4" X 1"

Location: (C)(CB) Per code: NEC 690.31.G.3

Location: (AC)(POI)

Per code:

**MARNING DUAL POWER SUPPLY** 

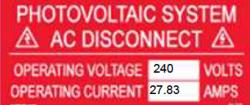
SOURCES: UTILITY GRID AND

PV SOLAR ELECTRIC SYSTEM

4" X 2"

Location: (POI) Per code: NEC 690,64.B.4





4" X 2"

NEC 690.14.C.2 NEC 690.54

OVERCURRENT DEVICE

1/2" X 2"





4" X 2"



Label

Label



4" X 3/4"

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Electrical Labels

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Property Owners Name: <u>JUSTIN ROOD</u>

Property Owners Address: <u>5 MONTO</u>	GOMERY AVE, TAKOMA PA	ARK, MD
Address of installation if different than	n owners address:	
I certify that:		
■ I prepared or approved the electrical above location.	drawings and related docume	nts for the photovoltaic (PV) system at the
■ The design of the PV system, and al requirements of the National Electrica		
10517 Maryland PE License Number	OF MARY	
Date_04/12/24	NO. 10571	
Signature Signature	MOSOWAL ENGLISH	Professional Certification. I hereby certify that these documents were prepared or approved by me, and that I am a duly licensed professional engineer under the laws of the State of Maryland, License No. 10517, Expiration Date: 07/31/23
Montgomery County Master Electricia	an License Number	
Date		
Signature		
	Must Be Submitted With P	lans

[Company Letterhead]



Project Residential PV Installation Property Owner Justin Rood

Address 5 Montgomery Ave, Takoma Park, MD

✓ I reviewed the design of the photovoltaic (PV) system, as designed by the manufacturer, and the design criteria utilized for the mounting equipment and panel mounting assembly (rack system) for the installation of (22) panels supported by the rack system, as shown on the drawings prepared for the above referenced address. I certify that the configurations and design criteria meet the standards and requirements of the International Residential Code (IRC) and International Existing Building Code (IEBC) adopted by Montgomery County in COMCOR 08.00.02.

✓ The attachment of the rack system to the building at the above address, including the location, number, and type of attachment points; the number of fasteners per attachment point; and the specific type of fasteners (size, diameter, length, minimum embedment into structural framing, etc.) meets the standards and requirements of the IRC and IEBC adopted by Montgomery County in COMCOR 08.00.02.

✓ I evaluated the existing roof structure of the building at the above address and analyzed its capacity to support the additional loads imposed by the PV system. I certify that no structural modifications of the existing roof structure are required. The existing roof structure meets the standards and requirements of the IRC and IEBC, adopted by Montgomery County in COMCOR 08.00.02, necessary to support the PV system.

□ I evaluated the existing roof structure of the building at the above address and analyzed its capacity to support the additional loads imposed by the PV system. Structural modifications of the existing roof structure are required. I certify that the roof structure, as modified on the drawings for this project, will support the additional loads imposed by the PV system. I further certify that design of the modified roof structure meets the standards and requirements of the IRC and IEBC, adopted by Montgomery County in COMCOR 08.00.02.

✓ I prepared or approved the construction documents for the mounting equipment, rack system, roof structure for this project.

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Maryland PE License Number

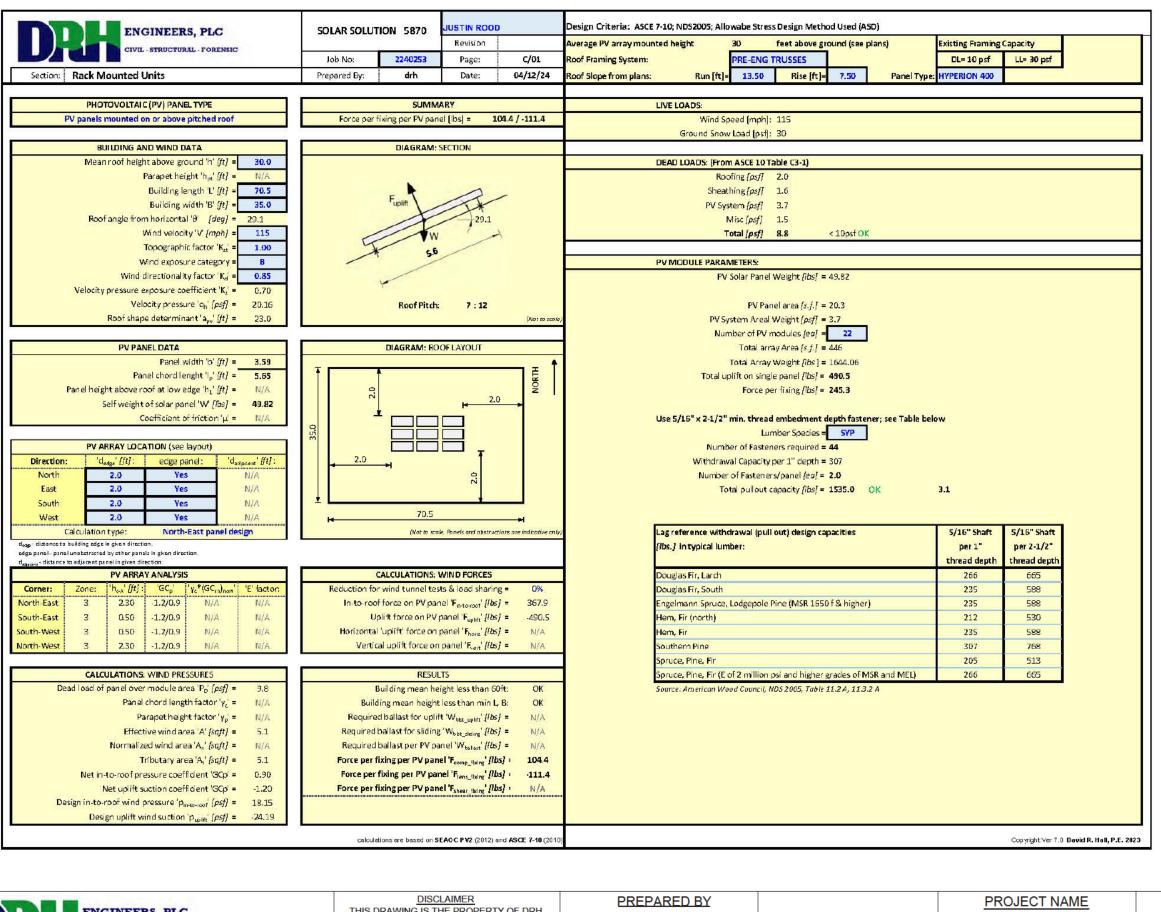
Date 04/12/24

Signature

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PREPARED BY DAVID R. HALL, P.E.

JUSTIN ROOD RESIDENTAL SOLAR PROJECT SHEET NUMBER SC001

**SCALE** 

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STRUCTURAL CALCULATIONS

#### **GENERAL NOTES:**

- 1. ALL ROOFTOP EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION WORK, INCLUDING FLASHED AND SEALED PENETRATIONS SHALL BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 9 SECTION R903 WATHER PROTECTION OF THE 2018 EDITION OF THE IRC.
- 2. THIS PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLATION SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2018 EDITION OF THE IBC AS ADOPTED BY , THE 2017 NEC, AND ANY LOCAL BUILDING CODES CURRENTLY BEING ENFORCED BY THE AHJ
- 3. REQUIRED OFFSETS ARE 3' FROM THE RIDGE AND EAVES IF THE SLOPE IS GREATER THAN 2:12 DEGREES
- 4.IRONRIDGE QUICKMOUNT HALO ULTRAGRIPGRIP (HUG) INSTALLED ON THE FLAT PART OF THE SHINGLE, LEAVING A MINIMUM OF 2" BELOW THE DRIP EDGE OF THE UPSLOPE SHINGLE. QUICKMOUNT HUG IS ONLY INSTALLED ON ASPHALFT AND COMPOSITIOION SHINGLE TYPE ROOFS WITH SLOPES BETWEEN 2:12 TO 2:12.
- 5. ALL RAFTER ATTACHED INSTALLATIONS REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF TWO RD STRUCTURAL SCREWS. FOR DECK ATTACHED INSTALLATION, SIX RD STRUCTURAL SCREWS ARE REQUIRED.
- 6.IRONRIDGE QUICKMOUNT HUG IS INSTALLED IN ALTERNATING RAFTERS (SEE PVO2) WITH A MAX YP10 PAUL SPAN OF 4'.

**BUILDING HEIGHT: 30** ROOF SLOPE: 29 degrees 11.2'

PV01

Scale: 1/8":1'

**6** (E)-**(C)** 40-4m>

> Roof Framing Plan View of A-A PV02 Scale: 3/8": 1

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4700 14th ST. NW Washington, DC 20011 SOLAR

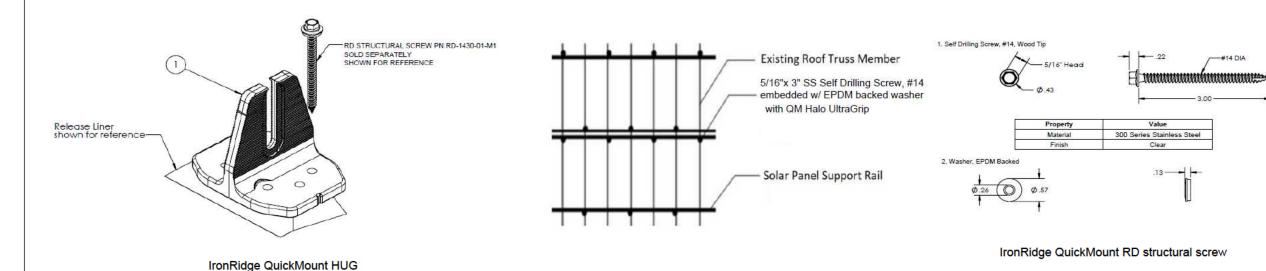
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Roof Layout

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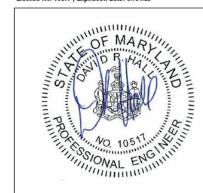
# IronRidge Mid/End Clamps IronRidge QuickMount HUG With Iron Ridge Self Drilling Screw. Minimum of two lag bolts per QuickMount (Number of lag bolts determined by Professional Engineer)

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Lo	ad			Rail S	pan		
Snow (PSF)	Wind (MPH)	4'	5' 4"	6'	8'	10'	12'
	100					·	
Mana	120						
None	140	XR10		XR100		XR1000	
	160						
	100						
	120						
10-20	140						
	160						
20	100						
30	160						
40	100		_				
40	160						
50-70	160						
80-90	160						

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> Mount Detail

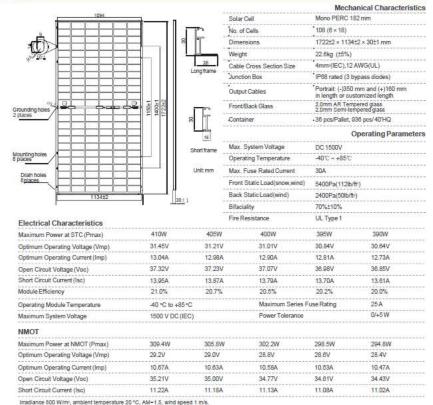
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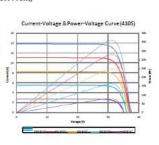
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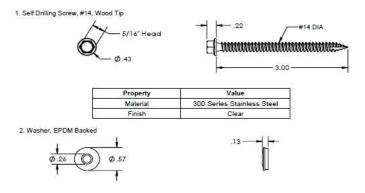
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Optimum Operating Current (Imp)	13.59A	14.88A	16.184
Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	37.22V	37.23V	37.23\
Short Circuit Current (Isc)	14.48A	15.88A	17.24
Module Elificiency	21.68%	23.74%	25.819

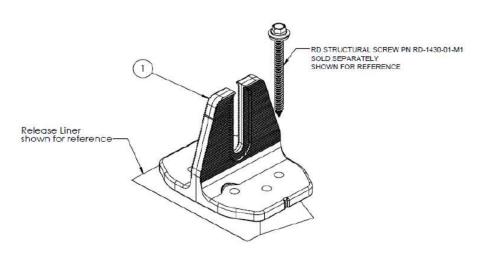




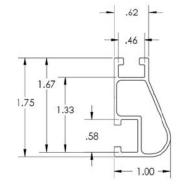
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#### IronRidge QuickMount HUG + RD Structural Screw with EPDM washer:





#### IRON RIDGE XR10 RAIL



Rail Section Propert	ies
Property	V alue
Total Cross-Sectional Area	0.363 ir
Section Modulus (X-axis)	0.136 ir
Moment of Inertia (X-axis)	0.124 ir
Moment of Inertia (Y-axis)	0.032 ir
Torsional Constant	0.076 ir
Polar Moment of Inertia	0.033 ir

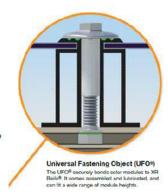


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#### Enphase IO 7 and IO 7+ Microinvertors

INPUT DATA (DC)	1Q7-60-2-US/	1Q7-60-B-US	1Q7PLUS-72-2	-US / IQ7PLUS-72-B-US
Commonly used module pairings <sup>1</sup>	235 W - 350 W -		235 W - 440 W +	
Module compatibility	60-cell PV mod	ules only	00-cell and 72-cell PV modules	
Maximum input DC voltage	48 V		60 V	
Peak power tracking voltage	27 Y - 37 Y		27 V - 45 V	
Operating range	16 V - 48 V		16 V - 60 V	
Min/Max start voltage	22 V / 48 V		Z2 V / 60 V	
Max DC short circuit current (module lsc)	15 A		15.A	
Overvoltage class DC port	U		II	
DC port backfeed current	0 A		0 A	
PV array configuration		ed array; No additio ion requires max 2		
OUTPUT DATA (AC)	1Q 7 Microinve	erter	IQ 7+ Microin	iverter
Peak output power	250 VA		295 VA	
Maximum continuous output power	240 VA		290 VA	
Nominal (LL) voltage/range <sup>z</sup>	240 V / 211-264 V	208 V / 183-229 V	240 V / 211-264 V	208 V / 183-229 V
Maximum continuous output current	1.0 A (240 V)	1.15 A (208 V)	1:21 A (240 V)	1.39 A (208 V)
Nominal frequency	60 Hz		60 Hz	
Extended frequency range	47 - 68 Hz		47 - 68 Hz	
AC short circuit fault current over 3 cycles	5.8 Arms		5.8 Arms	
Maximum units per 29 A (L-L) branch circuit <sup>2</sup>	16 (240 VAC)	13 (208 VAC)	13 (240 VAC)	11 (208 VAC)
Overvoltage class AC port	30.		301	
AC part backfeed current	0.A		0.A	
Power factor setting	1.0		1.0	
Power factor (adjustable)	0.85 leading l	0.85 lagging	0.85 leading	0.85 lagging
EFFICIENCY	@240 V	@208 V	@240 V	@208 V
Peak efficiency	97.6%	97.6 %	97.5 %	97.3%
CEC weighted efficiency	97.0 %	97.0 %	97.0 %	970%
MECHANICAL DATA				
Ambient temperature range	-40°C to +65°C			
Relative humidity range	4% to 100% (cor			
Connector type (107-60-2-US & 107PLUS-72-2-US	MC4 (or Amphe	and HAUTX with a	ditional Q-DCC-5	adaptor)
Connector type (IQ7-60-8-US & IQ7PLUS-72-8-US	Adaptors for me	C4 intermateable). odules with MC4 or	UTX connectors:	

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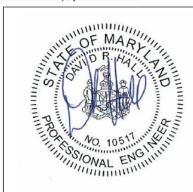
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UL 62100-1, UL1741/EEE1547, FCC Part 15 Class B, ICES-0003 Class B,
CCM/CSA-0222 NO 1071-01

This product is UL Listed as PV Rapid Shut Down Equipment and conforms with NEC-2014 and

NEC-2017 section 59012 and U221-2015 Rule 64-218 Rapid Shutdown of PV Systems, for AC
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Hardware Specification

04.04.2024



Subject: Solar System Justification

Property: 5 Montgomery Ave Takoma Park MD 20912

Client: Justin Rood

#### To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to provide a comprehensive justification for the installation of solar panels at Justin Rood's property. The proposed solar system has been carefully designed to cover the energy needs of the client, while adhering to all relevant guidelines and considerations.

Please see the attached usage analysis that outlines the client's 2022 and 2023 consumption. The proposed system of 20 panels does not cover the client's annual usage. We would like you to consider the client's renovation in 2023 that resulted in lower-than-average electricity consumption. Despite the reduced energy usage during this period, that proposed solar system only covers 95% of 2023's annual usage. The proposed system covered 70% of the client's consumption in 2022. This client's future energy usage is expected to return to or exceed 2022's levels, making the proposed system's capacity essential.

Solar is a clean and renewable energy source that will reduce our client's carbon footprint and green house gas emissions. Allowing a full installation aligns with broader environmental goals and initiatives.

Given the significant benefits of the proposed solar system, and the client's usage justification, we strongly advocate for the approval of the full solar panel installation. We appreciate your consideration and are available to address further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kathleen dePorter
COO
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202-340-2880







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### **Scope of Work:**

To install 8kW size of solar panels on roof of building.

#### CODES:

- NFPA 70
- NEC 2017
- IBC 2018
- CC 2018

BUILDING USE - SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT

CONSTRUCTION TYPE- III

REQUIRED FIRE CODE OFFSETS - MINIMUM 3 FEET OFFSETS FROM RIDGE AND EAVES

**ROOF RATING - CLASS A** 

ROOF ANGLE- GREATER THAN 2:12 DEGREES (PITCHED)

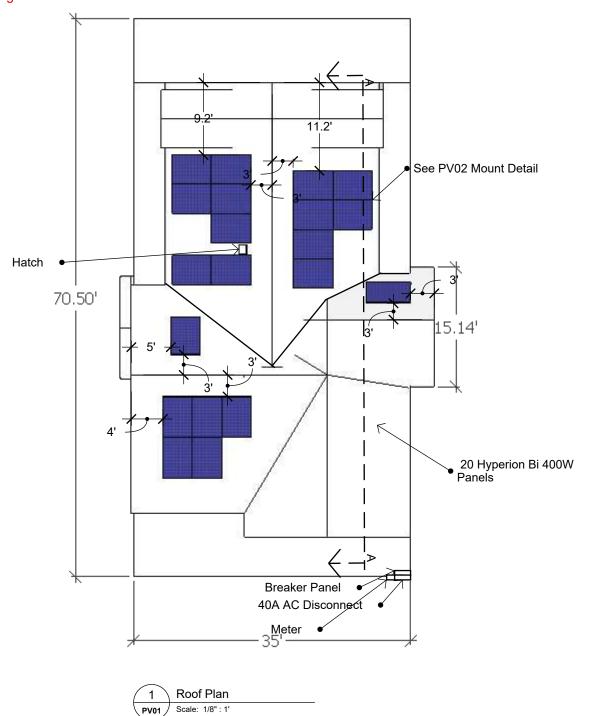


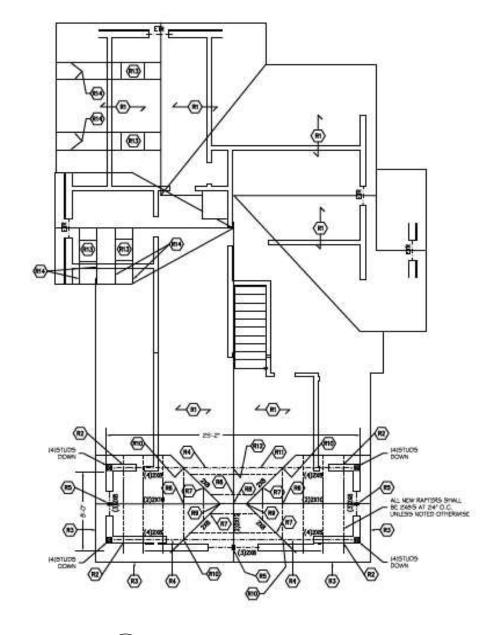


#### **GENERAL NOTES:**

- 1. ALL ROOFTOP EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION WORK, INCLUDING FLASHED AND SEALED PENETRATIONS SHALL BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 9 SECTION R903 WATHER PROTECTION OF THE 2017 EDITION OF THE IRC.
- 2. THIS PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLATION SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2017 EDITION OF THE IBC AS ADOPTED BY , THE 2017 NEC, AND ANY LOCAL BUILDING CODES CURRENTLY BEING ENFORCED BY THE AHJ
- 3. REQUIRED OFFSETS ARE 3' FROM THE RIDGE AND EAVES IF THE SLOPE IS GREATER THAN 2:12 DEGREES AND SOLAR COVERAGE IS GREATER THAN 66%. EXCEPTIONS APPLY FOR RIDGE OFFSETS WHEN THE SOLAR COVERAGE IS LESS THAN 66%.
- 4.IRONRIDGE QUICKMOUNT HALO ULTRAGRIPGRIP (HUG) INSTALLED ON THE FLAT PART OF THE SHINGLE, LEAVING A MINIMUM OF 2" BELOW THE DRIP EDGE OF THE UPSLOPE SHINGLE. QUICKMOUNT HUG IS ONLY INSTALLED ON ASPHALFT AND COMPOSITIOION SHINGLE TYPE ROOFS WITH SLOPES BETWEEN 2:12 TO 2:12.
- 5. ALL RAFTER ATTACHED INSTALLATIONS REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF TWO RD STRUCTURAL SCREWS. FOR DECK ATTACHED INSTALLATION, SIX RD STRUCTURAL SCREWS ARE REQUIRED.
- 6.IRONRIDGE QUICKMOUNT HUG IS INSTALLED IN ALTERNATING RAFTERS (SEE PVO2) WITH A MAX XR10 RAIL SPAN OF 4'.

BUILDING HEIGHT: 30 ROOF SLOPE: 29 degrees





1 Roof Framing Plan View of A-A
PV02 Scale: 3/8": 1'

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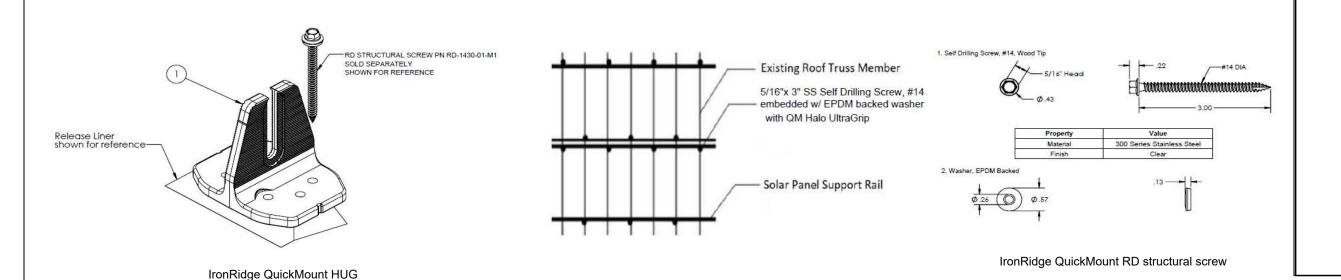
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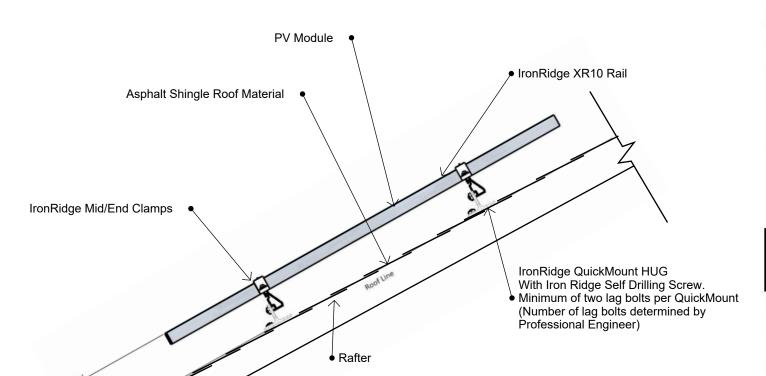
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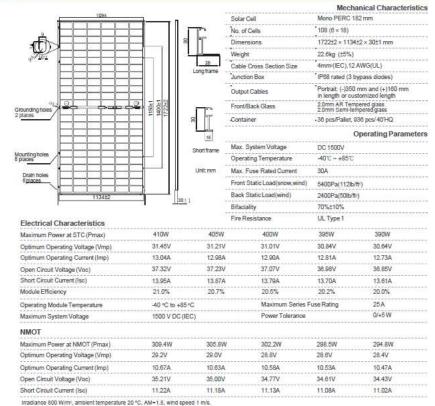
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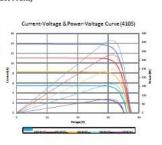
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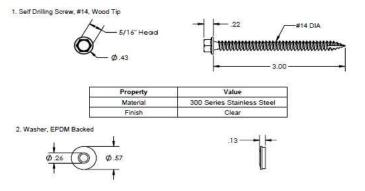
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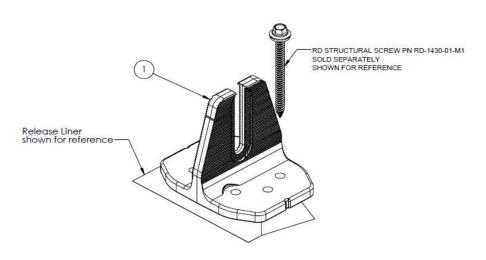




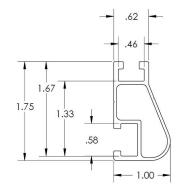
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#### IronRidge QuickMount HUG + RD Structural Screw with EPDM washer:





#### **IRON RIDGE XR10 RAIL**



Rail Section Proper	ties	
Property	Value	
Total Cross-Sectional Area	0.363 in <sup>2</sup>	
Section Modulus (X-axis)	0.136 in <sup>3</sup>	
Moment of Inertia (X-axis)	0.124 in <sup>4</sup>	
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INPUT DATA (DC)	IQ7-60-2-US / IQ7-60-B-US		IQ7PLUS-72-2-US / IQ7PLUS-72-B-US	
Commonly used module pairings1	235 W - 350 W +		235 W - 440 W +	
Module compatibility	60-cell PV modules only		60-cell and 72-cell PV modules	
Maximum input DC voltage	48 V		60 V	
Peak power tracking voltage	27 V - 37 V		27 V - 45 V	
Operating range	16 V - 48 V		16 V - 60 V	
Min/Max start voltage	22 V / 48 V		22 V / 60 V	
Max DC short circuit current (module Isc)	15 A		15 A	
Overvoltage class DC port	U		II .	
DC port backfeed current	0 A		0 A	
PV array configuration	1 x 1 ungrounde	ed array; No additio	nal DC side protec	tion required;
YOU THE THE COUNTY BEAUTIME OF	AC side protection requires max 2		0A per branch circuit	
OUTPUT DATA (AC)	IQ 7 Microinverter		IQ 7+ Microinverter	
Peak output power	250 VA		295 VA	
Maximum continuous output power	240 VA	5500000	290 VA	A MERCANIC PROPERTY.
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Maximum units per 20 A (L-L) branch circuit <sup>a</sup>	16 (240 VAC)	13 (208 VAC)	13 (240 VAC)	11 (208 VAC)
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AC port backfeed current	0 A		0 A	
Power factor setting	1.0		1.0	
Power factor (adjustable)	0.85 leading 0.85 lagging		0.85 leading 0.85 lagging	
EFFICIENCY	@240 V	@208 V	@240 V	@208 V
Peak efficiency	97.6%	97.6 %	97.5%	97.3 %
CEC weighted efficiency	97.0 %	97.0 %	97.0 %	97.0 %
MECHANICAL DATA	Continues of			
Ambient temperature range	-40°C to +65°C			
Relative humidity range	4% to 100% (condensing)			
Connector type (IQ7-60-2-US & IQ7PLUS-72-2-US	MCA for Amphe	matter tity with a	Iditional O. DCC 5	adantori

212 mm x 175 mm x 30.2 mm (without bracket)

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CA Bule 21 (UL 1741-SA)

UL 62109-1, UL1741/IEEE1547, FCC Part 15 Class B, ICES-0003 Class B, CAN/CSA-C22.2 NO. 1071-01

This product is UL Listed as PV Rapid Shut Down Equipment and conforms with NEC-2014 and NEC-2017 section. 690.12 and C22.1-2015 Rule 64-218 Rapid Shutdown of PV Systems, for AC and DC conductors, when installed according manufacturer's instructions.

Natural convection - No fans

Power Line Communication (PLC)

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Pollution degree

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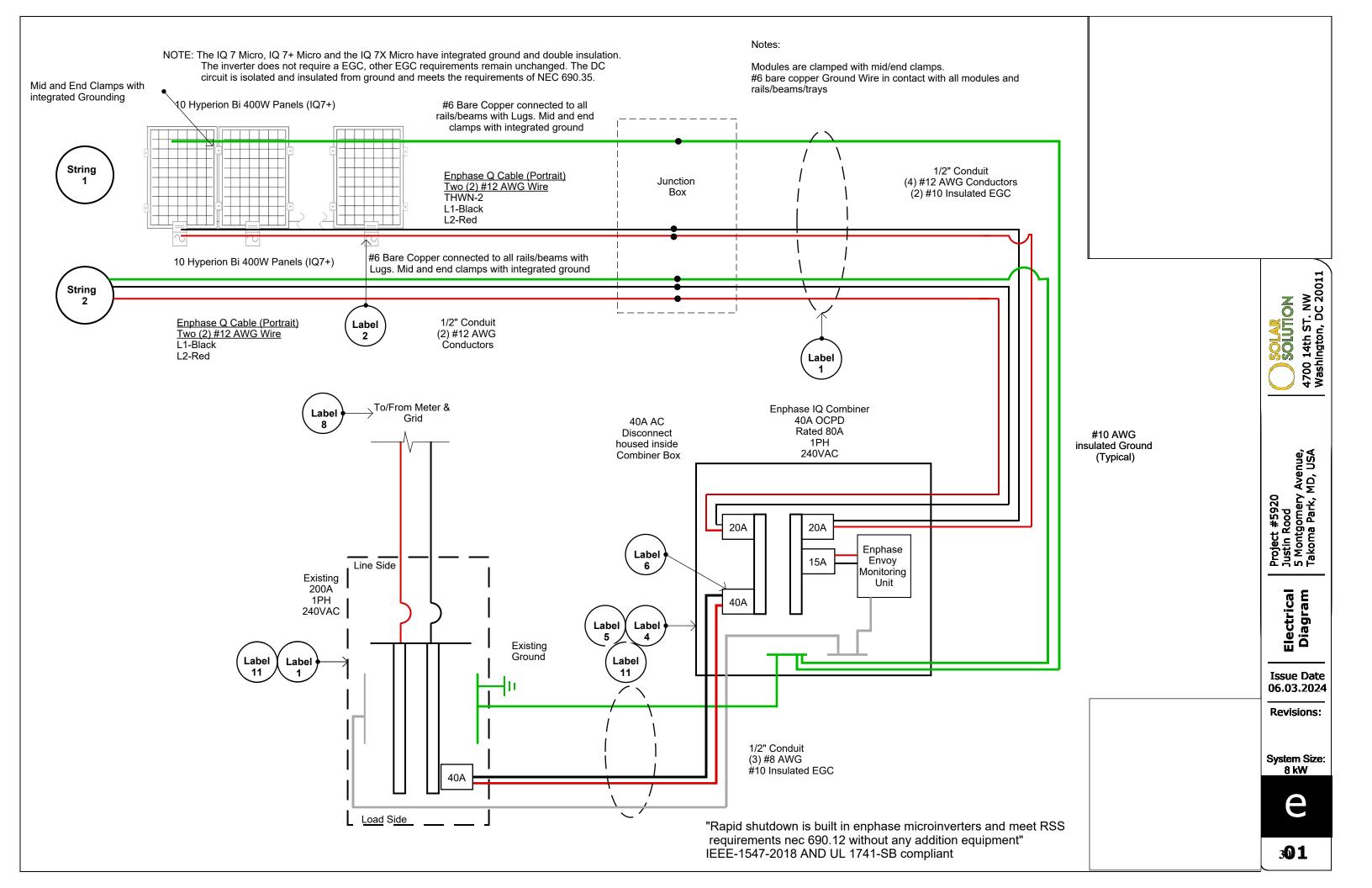
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#### CODE REFERENCE:

ART 690.8 (A)

- 1. The maximum current shall be the sum of parallel module rated short circuit currents multiplied by 125%.
- 3. The maximum current shall be the inverter continuous output current rating.

#### ART 690.8(B)(1)

- CONDUCTION MUST HAVE 30 C AMPACITY > 125% OF CONTINUOUS CURRENT PER 690.8(A)
- 2. CONDUCTOR MUST HAVE (AFTER CORRECTIONS FOR CONDITIONS OF USE) GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO CONTINUOUS CURRENT PER TABLE 310.15
- 3. EVALUATE CONDUCTOR TEMPERATURE AT TERMINATION PER ART 110.14(C). AMPACITY OF WIRE DERATED FOR CONDITIONS OF TERMINATION MUST BE > CONTINUOUS CURRENT X 1.25.

#### DC CALCULATIONS

SYSTEM SIZE: 20X 400 W = 8kW

PV SOURCE CIRCUIT
PV MODULE ISC = 13.79 A
# OF MODULES IN PARALLEL PER CIRCUIT = 1
MAX ISC = 1 X 13.79 A X 1.25 = 17.23A
OCPD/Ampacity = 17.23A x 1.25 = 21.54 A, 20A OCPD

SOURCE CIRCUIT WIRING
CONDUCTOR = COPPER #10 AWG THWN-2 90°C RATED
CORRECTION FACTORE FOR 60°C AMBIENT = 0.71
CORRECTED AMPACITY: 40 A X 0.71 X 0.8 = 22.72A > 21.54A

#### **AC Current Calculations**

Total Panels: 20 x 1.21A = 24.2A

String 1: 10 x 1.21A = 12.1A String 2: 10 x 1.21A = 12.1A

Combiner Box Home Run Current: 20 x 1.21A = 24.2A

OCPD Sizing: 40A

80% of OCPD = 40A x .8 = 32A > 24.2A

Wiring for Combiner Box: 1/2" Conduit #8 AWG & #10 Ground

Conductor for #8 AWG THWN-2 90 C Rated Correction Factor for 45 C Ambient = 0.87

Corrected Ampacity: 55Ax0.87x0.8 = 38.28A > 24.2A

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Vinyl Material - Flexcon DPM FWS White Vinyl

Reflective Material - Avery Dennison T-1500-A Engineering Grade Beaded Retroreflective Film

Lamination - Flexcon DPM Clear Gloss Polyester Laminate



WARNING: PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SOURCE

4" X 1"

Location: (C)(CB) Per code:

NEC 690.31.G.3

*∆***WARNING DUAL POWER SUPPLY** SOURCES: UTILITY GRID AND

Location: (POI) Per code: NEC 690.64.B.4



PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM A AC DISCONNECT A OPERATING VOLTAGE 240 **OPERATING CURRENT** 24.2

4" X 2"

Per code: NEC 690.14.C.2 NEC 690.54

Location: (AC)(POI)

PV SOLAR ELECTRIC SYSTEM



1/2" X 2"

4" X 2"



240V 60HZ 5800W 24.2 FOR AC MODULE PROTECTION 40A

4" X 2"



Label

AC DISCONNECT

4" X 3/4"

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Customer Justin Rood

Address 5 Montgomery Ave MD

	2022 Usage (kWH)	2023 Usage (kWh)	Solar Production (kWh)
January	1120	360	311
February	640	900	369
March	635	910	619
April	640	1140	887
May	610	940	837
June	1100	1380	958
July	1400	1420	944
August	1560	400	895
September	1440	200	705
October	600	180	633
November	610	180	335
December	760	200	289
Sum	11115	8210	7782

2022 2023 Solar Offset 70% 95%