## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Please take notice that the Planning Board (the "Board") of the Township of Southampton (the "Township") will, on April 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at the Southampton Township Municipal Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, NJ 08088, or at such other time and place as the Board may adjourn thereafter, hold a public hearing (the "Hearing") to consider the application for minor site plan approval, "c" or "bulk" variance relief, as may be required, design waiver relief, as may be required, and such other approval, relief, authorization, or permission as the Board or its consultants may deem necessary (the "Application") made by BEMS Southampton Solar Farm, LLC (the "Applicant") to permit the development of two, co-located community solar facilities (the "Project") on that certain parcel of real property within the Township that is located along Old Forge Road and Big Hill Road and that is formally identified as Lots 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 in Block 2702 on the Township's tax map (the "Property"). The Property consists of approximately 180 acres and is subject to the Redevelopment Plan for BEMS Landfill Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area dated April 8, 2021, which was previously adopted by Ordinance of the Southampton Township Committee (the "Redevelopment Plan").

The Applicant is the designated "redeveloper" of the property pursuant to the New Jersey Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et. seq. The Property is the site of the former Burlington Environmental Management Services (BEMS) Landfill. The Applicant proposes to redevelop the property, consistent with the Redevelopment Plan, with two, co-located community solar photovoltaic electric power generation arrays. The arrays will be approximately 5 MW dc / 4 MW ac in size each. The arrays will be installed utilizing a ballast block system situated above the landfill cap. The Project will include ancillary and typical site improvements and other equipment typical for a facility of this size and scope, including stormwater management, landscaping, security lighting, access driveways, inverters, switchgear, interconnection utility lines, and the like, all as detailed on the plans submitted with the Application. Pursuant to the Redevelopment Plan, the Project requires minor site plan approval from the Planning Board. In addition to minor site plan approval, the Applicant seeks any other variances, design exceptions, waivers, approvals, authorizations, or the like as determined by the Board or its consultants to be necessary during the course of the Board's deliberations on this matter without additional public notice.

A copy of the Application (and supporting documentation) is on file with the Township's Planning and Zoning Office located at 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, NJ 08088. The Application and supporting documents are available for public inspection Monday through Friday (except regularly and locally observed holidays) during regular business hours. Any interested member of the public may contact the Administrative Officer of the Township's Planning and Zoning Department at 609-859-2786 or <a href="mailto:dschmied@southamptonnj.org">dschmied@southamptonnj.org</a> to make arrangements to view the Application and supporting documents.

The Board holds its meetings in-person, at the above-stated time and address, but also makes the meetings available to the public by way of the Zoom electronic communication platform. Interested parties may download the Zoom platform at <u>zoom.us</u>. To participate in the Hearing by electronic means, interested parties should utilize the following instructions:

Meeting ID: 872 1239 5558 Passcode: 0dHr18 One tap mobile - 1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

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Alternatively, any interested person may appear in person, or through his attorney, at the Hearing to be heard on the Application. This Notice is given in accordance with the MLUL and the rules of the Board.

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