

APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR A COMMERCIAL WIND/SOLAR PERMIT

The attached application must be completed in its entirety.

The application fee is to be paid at the time of filing the application. Checks should be made payable to: Hancock County Clerk.

The fee schedule is as provided in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

The applicant shall provide a plan, to approximate scale, which shows the location and dimensions of all property lines, existing structures, setbacks, wells, and septic systems.

In addition to all fees, the Applicant or Owner shall pay all costs incurred by the county, including but not limited to, those costs associated with all offices, boards and commissions of the county, and third-party costs incurred by the county. This includes, but is not limited to, the direct or indirect costs associated with the hearing, permitting, operations, inspections, decommissioning, litigation, disputes, and/or negotiations.

The applicant will ensure all environmental and ecological requirements are met. Illinois DNR will review plans and either approve or not approve said application.

The applicant or contractor shall coordinate with the county highway engineer to approve a Road Use Agreement. The following will be provided to the county engineer:

- a. Project layout map
- b. Transportation impact analysis
- c. Pre-construction plans
- d. Project traffic map
- e. Project scope of repairs
- f. Post-construction repairs
- g. Insurance

The road use agreement shall require applicant to be responsible for the reasonable cost of improving roads use to construct the facility and reasonable cost of repairing roads used by the facility owner during construction so that those roads are in a condition that is safe for the driving public after the completion of the project.

All repairs and improvement to public roads and roadway appurtenances shall be subject to the prior approval of the county before being made and shall also be subject to inspection and acceptance by the county after such repairs and improvements are completed. The county road use agreement and any further agreements contemplated therein, regarding the maintenance and repair of public roads and highways, must be approved by the County Board prior to the board's approval of any commercial application related to the proposed energy facility.

Exhibit A

1. Prior to processing any Application for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility, the Applicant must submit a certified check to the County for the Application Fee equal to \$5,000.00 per megawatt (mW) of proposed nameplate capacity, up to a maximum fee of \$250,000.00. These funds shall be placed in an FDIC insured account and will be used to cover the county's cost incurred in processing the Application.
2. Should the actual costs to the County exceed the submitted Application Fee, the Applicant shall be responsible for those additional costs and shall remit additional funds to the County within 15 days of receipt of a request from the County. No hearings on an Application shall be conducted nor final decisions rendered on an Application if there are Application fees due to the County.
3. Any unused amounts of the Application Fee shall be refunded to the Applicant within six months of the County Board rendering a final decision on the matter, unless any pending litigation, disputes or negotiations involving the County exist regarding the Commercial Solar Energy Facility, in which case any amounts owed to the Applicant shall be refunded within six months of the conclusion of the litigation, disputes or negotiations. An Applicant may request any unused Application Fee be applied toward the Building Permit Fees for the Facility.

APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL SOLAR/WIND INSTALLATION

HANCOCK COUNTY

500 Main Street
Carthage, IL 62321
(217) 357-3911

Date: _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Street Address: _____

Legal Description: Section: _____ Township: _____

Lot: _____ Block: _____ Addn/Subdv: _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Name: _____ Business Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

General Contractor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ License #: _____

USE INFORMATION

SOLAR: _____ WIND: _____

APPROVING AUTHORITY

IDNR: _____

ESDA Director: _____

States Attorney: _____

County Assessor: _____

County Highway Engineer: _____

County Board Chair: _____

County Clerk: _____ Amount Paid: _____ Chk #: _____

APPLICANT SIGNATURE AND CONTACT INFORMATION

I hereby guarantee that the proposed work described with this application and with the accompanying plans and drawings will be completed in accordance with the requirements and codes of Hancock County and the State of Illinois.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____