**Greetings,**

**Please accept this whitepaper on Third Party Financing and interconnection for the Interconnection proceeding**

**The docket number of this proceeding (UE-112133).**

**On behalf of the**

**Evergreen State Solar Partnership.**

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This whitepaper if from an ongoing conversation on how best to advance solar in Washington State by improving the accessibility of financing for homeowners, while being cognizant of the effects on installers, manufacturers, utilities and taxpayers.

The whitepaper is not the final work, but a beginning on this issue.

Thank you for the hard work on this proceeding and balancing interests to ensure Washington State has a clean, reliable, fair and cost-effective energy system.  Solar, wind and efficiency are key to being great stewards of our cherished northwest rivers systems.

Please be assured we recognize the vital role the commission plays as we move forward on intelligently integrating and financing renewables, distributed generation and smarter technologies into the northwest system.

Please contact Linda or me if you need further information.

Be well,

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