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## SITLA's Support for the Acton's Disconnection Petition

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Tue, Jun 6, 2023 at 1:14 PM

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Attached.

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May 26, 2023

Town of Bluff  
Mayor Ann K. Leppanen  
190 North 3<sup>rd</sup> East, Unit #1  
PO Box 324  
Bluff UT 84512

Re: *SITLA's Support for the Acton's Disconnection Petition*

Dear Mayor Leppanen:

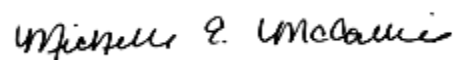
Thank you for meeting with me and others from the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (the "Trust Lands Administration") on Wednesday, May 24, 2023. We appreciate your willingness to work with the Trust Lands Administration in developing state trust lands that are or will be within the boundaries of the Town of Bluff. The Trust Lands Administration continues to support the disconnection petition filed by Bruce Baird on behalf of the Actons on May 5, 2023; however, this in no way diminishes our desire to work with the Town as we develop those trust lands that will remain within the boundaries, should the disconnection ultimately be successful.

With respect to the solar project that is located on trust lands that are subject to the disconnection petition, SITLA intends to submit to the Town of Bluff a plan of development pursuant to Utah Code § 10-92-305(8) within a relatively short period and would appreciate the Town's input on the project. If we can agree to reasonable conditions in line with a conditional use permit for solar developments in Utah, the Trust Lands Administration will include those conditions as part of the solar lease agreement. If you would like to meet with the solar developer, we could arrange for a meeting to discuss concerns you may have about the project.

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Bluff City Mayor Leppanen  
May 26, 2023

Please feel free to contact me at [meastmconkie@utah.gov](mailto:meastmconkie@utah.gov) or 801-538-5101 for further discussions or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



**Michelle E. McConkie**  
Executive Director

cc: Bruce Baird, attorney for the Actons  
Jennifer Huntsman, attorney for Bluff Bench Solar LLC

