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Dear Tyler Schwartze,

Thank you for reaching out to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Division of Energy regarding solar energy.

We share your interest in affordable, reliable, Missouri-made energy. This interest is crucial to the core values of our Missouri State Energy Planning (MoSEP) process, which is our current state energy planning effort. The goal of the MoSEP process is to identify stakeholder-driven initiatives that are regionally relevant, consensus-based (to greatest extent possible), actionable, time-bound, and measurable. A list of our initiatives for the first cycle of the MoSEP process – including streamlining solar permitting at the local level and energy installation and training at schools/local government buildings – was recently released following two rounds of regional stakeholder meetings. More information on the MoSEP process can be found at <a href="https://dnr.mo.gov/energy/what-were-doing/mo-state-energy-planning">https://dnr.mo.gov/energy/what-were-doing/mo-state-energy-planning</a>. We encourage you to follow the current cycle and to stay tuned for the opportunity to provide input on initiatives for the next cycle.

Our division also works with the Office of Administration on energy efficiency standards in state buildings, and we have investigated solar panel installation at state facilities with high energy consumption. As opportunities arise, we can assist with the further consideration of solar energy installations at state facilities. I would also note that the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, which is the department's Jefferson City headquarters, was built with solar panels to provide supplemental energy to the building.

Please let us know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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