Silver Maple Solar is working to develop a 200-megawatt (MW) solar facility on approximately 2,000 acres of privately-owned land in Fond du Lac and Winnebago Counties, Eldorado, Rosendale and Nekimi Townships in southeastern Wisconsin. The project will connect to the existing American Transmission Company electric system Fitzgerald to South Fond du Lac 345 kV Line.

Silver Maple Solar is expected to operate for 30+ years, providing significant economic investment to the community, substantial Shared Revenue Utility Payments to the Counties and Towns, and generate emission-free renewable energy with a minimal impact on communities and local infrastructure.

The solar facility will be developed, owned, and operated by Silver Maple Solar. The project is expected to operate for 30+ years, providing significant economic investment to the community and generating clean, local energy. The power will be provided to the regional bulk power transmission system to help meet demand for emission-free renewable energy in Wisconsin. If approved, project construction is anticipated to begin in Q2 2024, bringing an influx of new construction jobs to the community. The Project plans to achieve operation early in Q4 2025, pending necessary approvals from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission.
BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY

Solar energy facilities are a beneficial, temporary, and low impact use of land. Benefits of solar projects include:

- Substantial Shared Revenue Utility Payment contributions which add low impact, assessed value to the region.
- Approximately 300 new full-time equivalent jobs during construction.
- Once operational, the solar facility is a passive use of the land and will not generate substantive amounts of traffic, dust, odors, or other nuisances.
- Minimal impact on county services such as schools, EMS and other public services.
- Creates no emissions and requires limited amounts of water during operation.
- Land will be stabilized and seeded, allowing the land to regenerate and the soils to rest.
- At the end of operations, equipment is removed, and the land restored to prior use.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Silver Maple Solar is committed to being a dedicated member of the community and to work hard to earn the trust of our neighbors. Our engagement with the community goes well beyond job creation, economic investment, and providing clean, renewable energy. We strive to build lasting partnerships with civic leaders, property owners, and community members. We pride ourselves on being transparent in our communication and highly responsive to public feedback throughout the life of the project. We also believe being involved means giving back. We get to know our neighbors and have a long history of supporting local causes the community is passionate about. Whether through employee volunteer opportunities or corporate-level sponsorships, we are always looking for positive ways to stay actively engaged with the community and to serve as a good corporate neighbor.

ABOUT

Silver Maple Solar, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Leeward Renewable Energy, LLC, is a leading, long-term owner and operator dedicated to delivering clean, sustainable wind, solar and energy storage projects. Leeward currently owns and operates 22 renewable energy facilities across nine states, including several in southern Nevada, totaling more than 2,000 MW of installed capacity. OMERS Infrastructure is the investment arm of OMERS, one of Canada’s largest defined benefit pension plans with C$121 billion in net assets (as of December 31, 2021).

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