



September 27, 2024

The Province of Nova Scotia
Department of Natural Resources and
Renewables
c/o Community Solar Program
1690 Hollis Street. P.O. Box 2664
Halifax, NS B3J 3P7

Re: Letter of Support for Proposed East Gore Community Solar Project

To Whom it may concern,

This letter is intended to illustrate the Municipality of East Hants' support of the proposed East Gore Community Solar Project (the Project) being developed by SWEB Development LP (SWEB), its affiliates and community partners. The Municipality of East Hants was approached by SWEB at an early stage of the Project's development and they have recently presented details of the Project to Council. SWEB has also engaged with the local community by holding an in-person public engagement session.

East Hants is pleased to welcome the development of new and sustainable economic activity which not only results in employment opportunities, but also provides tax revenue for the Municipality. The provision of the offset of carbon dioxide emissions from Nova Scotia's current electricity production provided by this project, together with SWEB's planned promotion of the \$0.02 per Kilowatt hour solar energy credit on power bills to local communities make this a valuable project for our area and one that we are pleased to support.

The Municipality has been able to directly engage SWEB's staff with any questions or concerns related to existing projects in East Hants plus this current Project. Our community is excited to host another renewable energy project that enhances the Province's energy security while also reducing Nova Scotia's impact on climate change as related to its energy sector.

Sincerely,

Warden Eleanor Roulston