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# Collaboration Between Ranger Power and Host Communities Leads to Milestone Acceleration Solar Approval

*Agreement with Vevay, Leslie and Onondaga Townships clears the way for a major investment in Ingham County*

**LANSING, Mich.** — The Michigan Public Service Commission ("MPSC") yesterday approved the first-ever siting certificate under Public Act 233 for Ranger Power's Acceleration Solar Project in Ingham County. As part of the PA 233 proceedings before the MPSC, Acceleration Solar reached a negotiated resolution with its three host communities, Vevay, Leslie and Onondaga Townships. The project also entered into Host Community Agreements with each township and Ingham County.

"Following the filing of an application with the MPSC, the Township is grateful that Ranger Power was willing to sit down and listen to the quality of life concerns we had," said Vevay Township Supervisor John Lazet. "We found Ranger Power to be thorough, detailed, competent, and open to township input. The result being an agreement that we feel is in the best interest of both the Township and the project."

The approval marks a major milestone for the proposed 90-megawatt solar energy project in Ingham County. Acceleration Solar is expected to bring up to $136 million in investment to the county and create approximately 150 jobs during construction.

"Michigan is leading the way on the future of clean energy," said Governor Whitmer. "This project will bring tens of millions in investment and more than a hundred good-paying jobs to

Michigan communities. It's the very first project sited under the historic clean energy bill package I signed in 2023, which is helping us improve the grid, lower electricity bills, and build, baby, build more solar panels and wind turbines across Michigan. Let's work together to grow our economy, protect our air, land, and water, secure our energy independence, and build a bright future for Michigan."

The resolution reflects extensive collaboration among Ranger Power, local officials, participating landowners, and community members. It establishes the conditions under which the project will be constructed and operated while addressing priorities identified by each of the three host townships.

"Today's decision demonstrates what can be accomplished when communities, project developers, and state leaders work together toward a shared goal," said Paul Harris, Co-Founder and President, Ranger Power. "We are grateful to the community members and leaders of Vevay, Leslie, and Onondaga townships for their thoughtful engagement throughout this process. Acceleration Solar will deliver significant investment and employment opportunities while supporting Michigan's long-term energy goals to provide the cheapest power available."

Over its lifespan, the Acceleration Solar Project is expected to generate significant economic benefits. This includes substantial tax revenue, with an estimated $8 million going to Ingham County, $5.1 million to the county ISD, $4.6 million to local schools, and $7.3 million in combined revenue for Township millages. The project will also boost employment, creating hundreds of construction jobs during development, and a handful of long-term, full-time operations and maintenance positions.

"Michigan can lead the clean energy transition while creating strong jobs and investing in the communities that make these projects possible," said Representative Julie Brixie (D-Meridian Township). "By working collaboratively with Vevay, Leslie and Onondaga townships, the project has incorporated local priorities and established a path forward that benefits the region. Acceleration Solar will employ skilled union workers, generate additional tax revenue and contribute to a cleaner, more prosperous future for our state."

With the siting certificate approved, Ranger Power will maintain close coordination with the host townships, Ingham County, residents and state officials as Acceleration Solar advances through construction and into operation. This continued engagement will include regular construction updates, pre-construction coordination and resident input on preferred visual screening. DESRI, Ranger Power's partner on projects across the upper Midwest, will assume responsibility for the project at the start of construction and continue this engagement throughout Acceleration Solar's buildout and operations.

"DESRI is proud to support this important milestone for Acceleration Solar and the investment it represents for Ingham County," said Thomas de Swardt, President of DESRI. "We look forward

to building on Ranger's relationships with the community and helping expand access to cost-effective renewable energy across Michigan."

For more information about Acceleration Solar, visit www.accelerationsolar.com.

**About Ranger Power**

Ranger Power is a renewable energy and storage development company. Guided by a seasoned team of developers and experts in environmental, legal, and interconnection fields, the Ranger Power team has successfully spearheaded numerous energy projects across the United States. By bringing new utility-scale energy projects and investments to communities nationwide, Ranger Power is committed to fostering close collaborations with local communities to develop projects in a cooperative and inclusive manner.

**About DESRI**

DESRI and its affiliates develop, acquire, invest-in, own, and operate long-term contracted renewable energy assets in the U.S. DESRI's portfolio of contracted, operating, and in-construction renewable energy projects currently includes over 80 solar, wind and storage projects representing more than twelve gigawatts of aggregate capacity. Please visit www.desri.com for more information.