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Scott Annis International City/County Management Association 777 North Capitol St. NE, Ste. 500 Washington, DC 20002

Theresa Perry Interstate Renewable Energy Council 125 Wolf Road, Suite 207 Albany, NY 12205

Dear Scott Annis and Theresa Perry:

On behalf of **The Town of Litchfield**, **CT**, I am proud to announce our commitment to become a SolSmart-designated community. In partnership with the SolSmart team, Litchfield's dedicated staff members will work to improve solar market conditions, making it faster, easier, and more affordable for our residents and businesses to install solar energy systems. These efforts will also increase the efficiency of local processes related to solar development, which will save our local government time and money.

Litchfield formed the Sustainable Litchfield Committee in early 2020 to participate in the Sustainable Connecticut initiative which seeks to improve community resilience and equity. SolSmart builds upon our community's participation in Sustainable CT, for which Litchfield has earned the Silver Certification, in furthering our focus on solar program development for the municipality, citizens and businesses.

Litchfield will leverage SolSmart to achieve the following goals:

- · Develop a streamlined process for solar permitting or inspections
- Install solar energy systems on key local government facilities
- Continue to develop and execute a community solar program

These efforts demonstrate that our community is committed to driving continual improvement in our solar market, and in the process of doing so, helping to create process efficiency in developing solar systems in our community.

To measure progress along the way, **Litchfield** will track key metrics related to solar energy deployment, such as installed solar capacity and number of installations across sectors.

Inquiries related to SolSmart participation by Litchfield can be directed to: Diane Field, dfield505@msn.com, 410-387-5295
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Sincerely.

Denise Raap
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