Untitled From: Martin Plass [e-mail address redacted] Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2012 8:30 PM To: SatelliteOffices Cc: [e-mail address redacted] Subject: Patent Office in Albuquerque, NM

Mr. Azam Khan, Deputy Chief of Staff:

Dear Mr. Khan:

I fully support the establishment of a patent satellite office in Albuquerque, NM. We are a commercial solar test laboratory co-located with a Fraunhofer research laboratory active in PV research and just located here to ABQ in April 2011. One of the main reasons for us coming here was the research community. We develop new test methodologies for PV testing and Fraunhofer develops many new technologies for PV-module manufacturing and components. Having a patent office here in New Mexico would certainly make any patent applications easier for us.

Al buquerque has a lot of high tech industries and research companies, led by Sandia and Intel, and therefore a wealth of scientists and ideas, especially in new technologies and renewable energies, which would all profit from a local patent office.

Thank you for your consideration, please feel free to check in with me with any questions.

Best regards,

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