



June 13, 2011

Governor Brian Sandoval
Nevada State Capital
101 North Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701
Via Fax to: (775) 684-5683

Dear Governor Sandoval,

On June 7, 2011, the Nevada State Legislature passed AB 416, which aims to enhance renewable energy development in Nevada. This bill contains important provisions allowing NV Energy to build transmission lines for exporting renewable energy and establishing confidentiality requirements on purchase power agreements between NV Energy and renewable energy developers.

The Large-scale Solar Association (LSA) represents fourteen of the nation's largest developers and providers of utility-scale solar generating resources. Its members develop, own and operate various types of utility-scale solar technologies, including photovoltaic and solar thermal system designs, and combined, they hold more than 7,000MW of utility contracts in the West. LSA, and its individual member companies, are leaders in the renewable energy industry, advancing solar generation technologies and advocating competitive market structures that facilitate significant integration of renewable energy throughout the western United States. LSA actively represents the interests of utility-scale solar development in Nevada, California, and Arizona, and also works to shape regional and federal policies that affect solar development.

This legislation helps Nevada's nascent renewable energy industry gain a stronger footing, consistent with the goals of your administration. AB 416 sends a strong signal that Nevada aims to be a leader in developing renewable energy and helps position the state to take advantage of the economic development opportunities and job growth associated with the fast-growing solar industry sector. LSA therefore respectfully asks that you sign AB 416 into law.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Shannon Eddy
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