



APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM SITE PLAN REVIEW

Oakhurst Dairy  
Applicant

4/25/08  
Application Date

364 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME 04101  
Applicant's Mailing Address

Solar Thermal System  
Project Name/Description

Ascendant Energy Company, Inc.  
Consultant/Agent/Phone Number  
Chris Straka 594-6303  
John Rand 655-4277

Same as above  
Address of Proposed Site

CBL: 114A F001001

Description of Proposed Development:

Installation of 75 Collector Solar Thermal system on existing Roofing

Please Attach Sketch/Plan of Proposal/Development

Criteria for Exemptions:

See Section 14-523 (4) on back side of form

- a) Within Existing Structures; No New Buildings, Demolitions or Additions
- b) Footprint Increase Less Than 500 Sq. Ft.
- c) No New Curb Cuts, Driveways, Parking Areas
- d) Curbs and Sidewalks in Sound Condition/Comply with ADA
- e) No Additional Parking/ No Traffic Increase
- f) No Stormwater Problems
- g) Sufficient Property Screening
- h) Adequate Utilities

Applicant's Assessment (Yes, No, N/A)	Planning Office Use Only
<u>Yes</u>	<u>✓</u>
<u>Yes</u>	<u>✓</u>
<u>Yes/N/A</u>	<u>✓</u>
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<u>Yes</u>	<u>✓</u>
<u>Yes</u>	<u>✓</u>

Planning Division Use Only

Exemption Granted X Partial Exemption \_\_\_\_\_ Exemption Denied \_\_\_\_\_

Planner's Signature Barbara Bachmidt Date 5/9/08



April 25, 2008

Barbara Barhydt  
Development Review Services Manager  
Portland City Hall  
389 Congress Street  
Portland, ME 04101

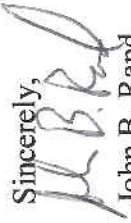
Dear Ms. Barhydt,

Attached please find an Application for Exemption from Site Plan Review for our large array solar thermal system to be installed at Oakhurst Dairy in Portland. I have included a copy of our Building Permit application which has an Array Layout plan, a summary description and other information. I have also attached three printed photo's to help show the location of the arrays and how they will look from street level. One photo, of the USM Gymnasium next door to Oakhurst Dairy, shows how solar collectors on the gym are not readily visible from street grade in the neighborhood.

Importantly, our project does not involve any earthwork or site development as the system will be installed on existing flat roofing. I note that the parapet on the Forest Avenue side of the Red Building as well as the location of collectors on that roof and on the Receiving Building will limit their visibility from adjacent areas of Forest Avenue. Five arrays on the North Roof will be visible from further up Forest Avenue when looking south at the facility. Good views of the collectors will be possible from portions of Durham Street behind the dairy.

I trust the information submitted herein is sufficient to meet the exemption requirements. In the event you have any questions, feel free to call me at 655-4277, or Chris Straka, the CEO of Ascendant Energy at 594-6303.

Sincerely,



John B. Rand

Maine Solar Energy Installer #90000534

Ascendant Energy Company, Inc.

Attachments:

Application for Exemption from Site Plan Review

Photographs

General Building Permit Application – applicable sections w/ attachments

Conceptual View of Arrays from Forest Avenue Looking South



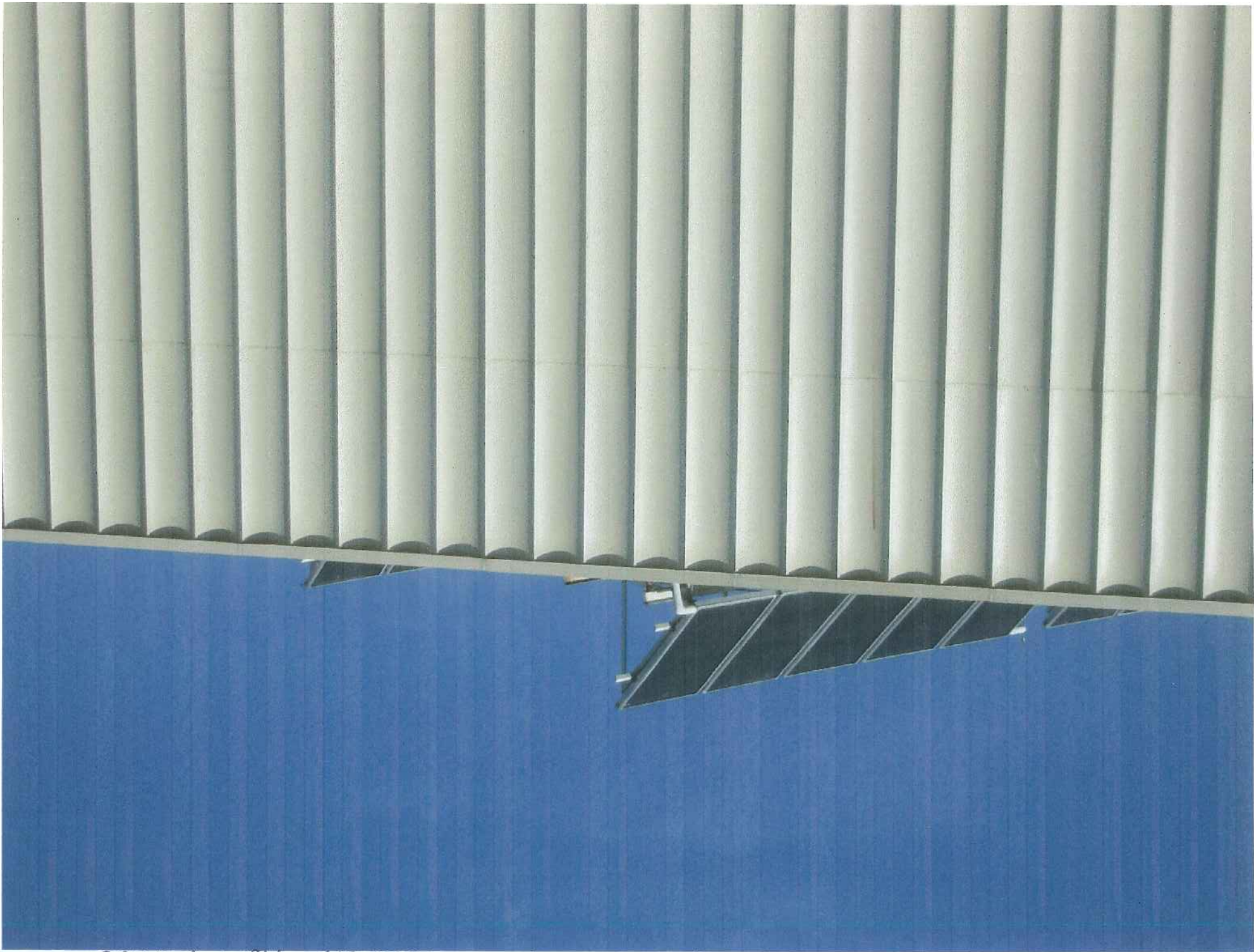
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View of USM solar collectors from street



View of Receiving Building and Red Building



View of North Roof looking South