November 19, 2013
Joshua Huneycutt
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington D.C. 20585

Dear Mr. Huneycutt,

The City’s Mission Statement, “We are a 21st Century City of Innovation focusing on environmental, cultural and economic sustainability” leads our efforts to create the highest possible quality of life for our citizens, while protecting our critical environmental resources. In keeping with this philosophy, we endorse the North Carolina Solar Center’s application for technical assistance funding through the Department of Energy’s SunShot Solar Outreach Partnership.

As the solar industry has grown in North Carolina to the point where the State ranks fifth in the nation in the most solar energy installations, we support the effort to expand the residential solar market in Raleigh in partnership with the N. C. Solar Center. Our staff looks forward to the collaborative relationship with the Center to realize the potential benefits that will serve the interests of residential customers, solar developers and the interests of all our citizens in encouraging sustainable energy use and the resulting environmental benefits.

We appreciate all that the N.C. Solar Center at North Carolina State University does in our State and for the City of Raleigh. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nancy McFarlane
Mayor, City of Raleigh, NC