**Go Solar Florida IAC**

**Meeting (Conference Call)**

**November 13, 2014, 3:00 PM**

**Q&A**

1. Q: Does the permitting process apply to solar thermal? A: It will ultimately, but not under this program funding. The program funding applies strictly to rooftop PV systems only.
2. Q: How many jurisdictions have online permitting right now? A: Only a handful. Discussion: Based on personal experience with the prototype Broward system, very few systems were applicable. There were no available systems to conform to current designs. It is hopeful that this one will be much more adaptable and include micro-inverters. Comment: The first round (Broward prototype) was very limited in terms of funding. This round should include micro-inverters and may include optimizers. This system will accommodate customized system and each one will be unique.
3. Q: Will this process generate a system design? A: The developers are approaching this process as an electronic master design manual. Every location is different with wind load, etc. All of this will be taken into the analysis. This is one area we are working with Miami Dade. A full permit package will be the result of this effort.
4. Q: If you have an FSEC approved system, will that be included? A: This is intended to replace current FSEC certification and be light years ahead of what we are currently offering.
5. Q: How is the fee structure addressed? A: Reducing soft costs, such as permitting fees, is a goal of the program, so the plan is to reduce current fee schedules.
6. Q: Are there any limitations with regard to mounting configurations? A: We are currently assuming flush mounted racking, as in a loped roof with parallel mounted systems; no tilt mounts are considered due to the required analysis and calculations. Flush flat or concrete will also be treated the same as sloped. Arrays mounted parallel to the roof slope will be covered.
7. Q: Will modules be interchangeable? A: All electric and physical parameters of the module will be part of the database. An approved system will become the FSEC certification database.
8. Q: Will manufacturers need to submit something to FSEC to make their product part of the database? A: Yes, most likely to verify accurate information. Companies with certified products will be notified if they want to continue to have module included; if they do, they will be grandfathered into the database as long as structural information is provided.