



ALBANY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Chiquita D'Arbeau, Executive Director

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Chad M. Whittaker, J.D., of Renewables Worldwide and the Founder/CEO of Pure Source Consulting. I am pleased to strongly recommend Chad and the services he provides to public housing authorities looking to enroll in off-site community solar programs.

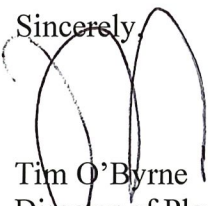
The Albany Housing Authority's (AHA) team had specific requirements to consider when evaluating these opportunities. Not only did we need to ensure that the agreement we entered into was compliant with HUD's procurement requirements, but we also needed to find a provider that was capable of working around our existing and future redevelopment projects with the willingness to assist our residents to enroll in a community solar program.

Mr. Whittaker diligently worked on our behalf to source opportunities which met our unique needs and negotiated contractual terms on our behalf. His efforts resulted in the AHA obtaining a HUD compliant community solar agreement for the entirety of our portfolio, and with a solar developer that was both capable and willing to work with our tenants and could provide flexibility to accommodate our redevelopment needs

Additionally, Mr. Whittaker worked with our local HUD Field office to ensure that our agreement is eligible for the Rate Reduction Incentive (RRI), which will add 50% of the savings the AHA obtains into our annual operating subsidy. After our enrollment, he remains a resource to our team by fielding HUD-related questions and providing guidance on energy-related matters

I highly recommend Mr. Whittaker to any organization looking to procure community solar savings.

Sincerely,


Tim O'Byrne
Director of Planning and Development