



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND ENERGY

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

**PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE
A SOLAR POWER GENERATION FACILITY
(DECOMMISSIONING AND FINANCIAL SECURITY)**

This permit application must be completed by the designated operator of a solar power generation facility with a footprint of 10 or more acres to comply with LAC 43:I.5101–5121 and La. R.S. 30:1154. Instructions for submitting this application to the Louisiana Department of Conservation and Energy (“C&E”) are provided below.

1. Facility Information

Facility Name: _____

Projected Generation Capacity (MW): _____

Projected Storage Capacity (MW) (if applicable): _____

Total Acres within Facility Footprint: _____ Total Project Acres: _____

Expected Lifespan: _____

Facility Location:

- Parish(es): _____
- Physical Address: _____
- Latitude/Longitude Coordinates: _____
- Section(s)/Township(s)/Range(s): _____

☐ Facility Map/Design: A detailed and labeled plat, survey, and/or map of the solar power generation facility that illustrates the design of the facility (*i.e.*, the facility’s footprint; the anticipated or actual location of all solar devices, equipment, and component parts; any required setbacks, barriers, or buffers; property lines crossing or intersecting the footprint; and routes of ingress and egress to a public road).

2. Designated Operator and Responsible Party Information

A facility must at all times have a designated operator authorized by all responsible parties as the person primarily responsible for complying with LAC 43:I.5101 *et seq.* Identify the designated operator and each responsible party below. If there are multiple responsible parties, provide the required information for each in an attachment.

Designated Operator: _____

- Name: _____
 - Organization: _____
 - Mailing Address: _____
 - Email Address: _____
 - Phone: _____
 - Federal Employer Identification Number (if applicable): _____
- ☐ Copy of detailed business record from the Secretary of State's website attached (if applicable).

Responsible Party:

- Name: _____
 - Organization: _____
 - Mailing Address: _____
 - Email Address: _____
 - Phone: _____
 - Federal Employer Identification Number (if applicable): _____
- ☐ Copy of detailed business record from the Secretary of State's website attached (if applicable).

3. Lessor/Grantor Information

If the immovable property where the facility is to be constructed and operated is subject to a lease or other contractual agreement conveying the right to construct and operate the facility, provide the following for each lessor or grantor and attach the agreements or notices of lease recorded in the public records. If there are multiple lessors/grantors, provide the required information for each in an attachment.

- Name: _____
 - Mailing Address: _____
 - Email Address: _____
 - Phone: _____
- ☐ Copy of lease agreement or notice of lease attached.

4. Pre-Application Notice Certification

As a prerequisite to the permit application, the designated operator of a proposed solar power generation facility (*i.e.*, is not under construction or operating as of July 20, 2026) shall send written notice to all adjacent landowners and the police jury or council of each parish where the proposed facility will be located. The notice must comply with the requirements of LAC 43:I.5109(A), and the following documents must be attached to this application:

- ☐ Designated operator's sworn affidavit of compliance with the pre-application notice requirement; and
- ☐ A copy of each notice.

5. Decommissioning Plan

In accordance with LAC 43:I.5113(C), the decommissioning plan must be prepared, signed, and sealed by a Louisiana licensed engineer that provides the following information and attachments.

- a) Facility Description: Provide information on the facility's location, the number of facility footprint acres, the generation and battery storage capacity, and the expected operational lifespan. Include an itemized inventory of all solar devices, equipment, and component parts used or planned to be used in the facility's operations. Include a detailed map of the facility footprint that illustrates the anticipated or actual location of all solar devices, equipment, and component parts used or planned to be used in the facility's operations; all routes of ingress and egress to a public road; and all applicable setback plans (may use Facility Map/Design above). Include a description of the historical and pre-development use(s) of the land and all site work performed or planned to be performed thereon.
- b) Decommissioning Schedule: A statement of the anticipated sequence of removal activities and restoration activities and the anticipated period of time needed to complete them.
- c) Decommissioning Activities: A statement regarding the anticipated labor and equipment needed to complete the required removal activities and restoration activities.
- d) Waste Management: Identify all solar devices, equipment, component parts, and other materials making up the facility that may be considered hazardous wastes and provide a summary of how they will be properly disposed of or recycled in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
- e) Decommissioning Cost Estimate: Provide an itemized schedule estimating, to the extent practicable, all costs necessary for or related to decommissioning as required by LAC 43:I. Chapter 51, and formatted to show (i) the gross cost of all decommissioning activities, such as labor, materials, and equipment costs; (ii) an escalation rate, determined by the department to account for estimated future inflation until the cost estimate is revised; and (iii) the total amount of the decommissioning cost estimate to be covered by the selected financial security instrument(s) and approved by the department.
- f) Financial Security: A statement identifying the financial security option chosen by the designated operator to secure the cost of all decommissioning activities.
- g) Emergency Plans: Include a statement of committed assurance that the designated operator will establish an emergency plan in conjunction with local authorities.

*A facility that is under construction or operating before July 20, 2026 and has either provided a decommissioning plan or agreed to decommissioning terms and conditions in a lease or other form of agreement with the landowner, local police jury or council, or both may use the existing plan or agreement provisions in its permit application until a revised plan is due. *See* LAC 43:I.5113(E).

Attach either:

- ☐ Decommissioning plan with §5113(C)'s categories; or
- ☐ Existing decommissioning plan or agreement (*facilities under construction or operating before July 20, 2026, only*)

6. Financial Security

Provide a description of the form(s) of financial security to secure the cost of all decommissioning activities. Acceptable forms of financial security may include a performance bond, irrevocable letter(s) of credit, any other instrument approved by the Secretary of C&E through formal order, or a combination thereof. The financial security instrument(s) must be payable to C&E, cover 100 percent of the approved decommissioning cost estimate, and provided to C&E prior to construction of the facility.

*For facilities under construction or in operation before July 20, 2026, the designated operator must provide the financial security instrument(s) before a permit is issued.

☐ Description of the form(s) of financial security attached.

7. Fees

Pursuant to LAC 43:I.5121, submit the following payment with this application to C&E via certified funds, bank money order, cashier's check, bank wire, or Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfer:

Application Fee:	\$_____ (Footprint acres × \$15/acre)
<u>Application Processing Fee:</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
Total:	\$_____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct, and complies with the requirements of LAC 43:I.5101–5121 for a Solar Decommissioning Permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Conservation and Energy.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Completed applications and any attachments may be submitted either electronically to DCE-Renewables@la.gov or by mail to:

Louisiana Department of Conservation and Energy
Office of Permitting and Compliance
Attn: Andrew Wascom
P.O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-94275

Additional Attachments:

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| ☐ Designated Operator Registration Form | ☐ Additional Lessor/Grantor Information |
| ☐ Additional Responsible Party Information | ☐ Check or Payment Receipt for Fees |