# Energy Partnerships An Economic Opportunity

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## Ontario Green Energy Act 2009: Key Goals

Create
Sustainable
Energy:

Solar, Wind, Biomass, Hydro Reduce
Dependence
for:

Oil Coal Nuclear Incentivize Special Groups:

Aboriginals
Municipalities
Schools
Hospitals

### Regulation

- OPA Ontario Power Authority
- Governing Agency
- Create Program Rules
- Approve or Reject Projects
- Authority is final and binding

## Ontario FIT Program "Feed-in Tariff"

OPA (Ontario Power Authority)

Individuals
Generate Solar
Energy

Sell Energy to the GRID



Hydro One signs a 20 yr contract to purchase kilowatts at a premium



Priority given to
Aboriginals,
Municipalities,
Schools, Healthcare

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## FIT Program allows Energy to be sold the Grid

- Ontario Feed-in Tariff "FIT" Program.
- Allows individuals to produce energy and sell it to the Grid.
- Hydro One to purchase kw's at a premium for 20yrs
- Premium is 30cents per kilowatt, fixed rate for 20yrs
- Current sold at apx.10cents per kilowatt.
- System sizes: Microfit up to 10kw (40 panels)
- Small FIT up to 500kw (2,000 panels)
- Large FIT up to 10 MegaWatts (400,000 panels)



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### **Municipal Benefits**

- New Stream of Revenue
- Solves the Pottersburg Problem
- Receive OPA Fast Tracking
- Clean Energy Leadership
- Positive Public Relations
- Turn "Lemons into Lemonade"

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## Why Develop Energy Projects Now?

Government
Subsidies (will

eventually expire)

Low Cost of Solar Panels

**Profitable** 

Low Cost of Borrowing \$

N.B. Grid space is Shrinking

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## Why do Developers want to form Partnerships?

Developers have Projects (not built yet)

Have Land
Have Funding
Have Grid
Space

Application window is end of 2013

OPA will Prioritize Preferred Partners

OPA will fast track
Preferred
Partners

Aboriginals
Municipalities
Schools
Healthcare

### Partnership Options

#### 100%

Non
 Partnership,
 Full
 Ownership

#### 51%

Municipality Majority Ownership

#### 15%

Municipality Minority Ownership

## Partnership Process 1) Pre-application OPA

Presentation/ Council Approval

Economic Opportunity
Community Benefits
Regulation
Ownership Viability

Obtain Site and Site access:

Project Details
Partnership Terms
Finance

Prepare OPA Documents required:

Council Resolution Letter of-Intent to-Partner. Project Documents

## Partnership Process 2) Post-application OPA

After OPA
Application is submitted:

ubmitted.

Lawyers to review / adjust Partnership Agreement

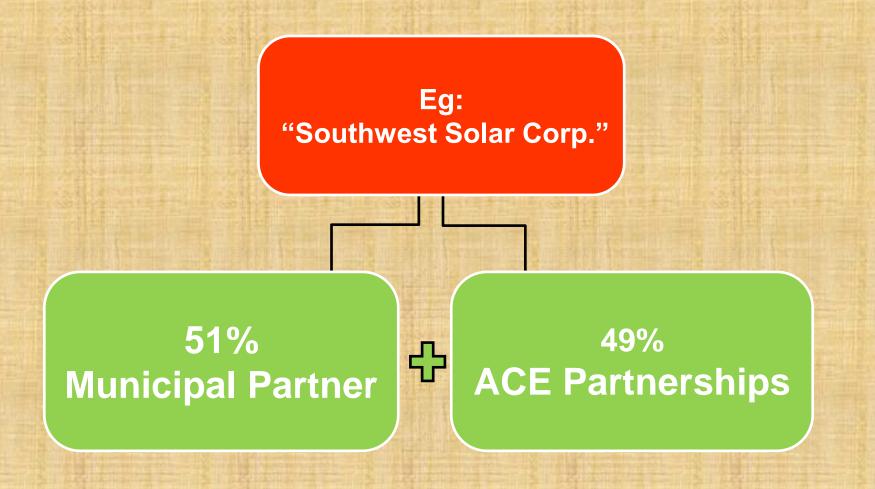
Presentation to Wider Community?

Project Profile Partnership Benefits

At Notice to Proceed NTP:

Application for Funding 51% Purchased Construction Operation

## Partnership Structure 1) New Corporation is created



## Partnership Structure 2) Managing Partner is chosen

MP Manages operation and maintenance of Project.
Deals with any issues

Managing Partner
Neutral 3rd Party Entity
-usually a Law Firm

MP Distributes
monthly
cheques and
financial
statements to
Partners

"Southwest Solar Corp."

51% Municipal Partner



49% ACE Partnerships Inc.

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### **Funding Process**

Shared costs during Application Phase

Construction Phase At NTP:
Municipality Applies
for Funding &
Purchases Share

Commissioning Phase

## 2 Meg Project: Cost / Income Estimates SEE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

#### **Cost**

\$4,800,000

#### **Gross Income**

\$12,268,381

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### **ACE Partnerships**

- Experience:
  - Solar Project Management
  - Strategic Business Development
  - Partnering
- Knowledge:
  - Solar Industry
  - Regulatory / Legal
  - Technical

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