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Dear Construction Official:

P.L. 2008, c. 90, signed into law by Governor Corzine last October, offers property tax relief for the installation of renewable energy systems. Under this statute, the assessed value of the property is not increased as a result of the installation of a renewable energy system. The law calls for the local construction official to certify that the system meets the requirements of the statute for a renewable energy system.

In order to implement this new law, the Division of Taxation must develop a form. The law also calls for us to work collaboratively with the Board of Public Utilities regarding technical standards for these systems. When the form, standards and rules are in place, we will advise you. Thereafter, the permit applicant will bring a completed form to you and you will certify, by signing the form, that the system has been installed as prescribed and that the required documentation has been submitted. There is nothing for you to do until such time as the form and rules are in place.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this law, please contact the Code Assistance Unit at (609) 984-7607.

Sincerely,

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