## Australian Industry Participation (AIP) Plan Executive Summary

### 1. General Project Details

Company Name: RE Oakey Pty Ltd

Description of the project: 55MW AC Solar Farm

Oakey 2 Solar Park involves the design, construction, operation and maintenance of a 55MW Photovoltaic (PV) solar farm at Toowoomba, Queensland. The Solar Farm will produce 55MW of renewable energy, which will be directly supplied into the Ergon electricity grid via the existing Oakey Terminal Substation. The project will commence construction during Q4 2017, with substantial completion expected in October, 2018.

Canadian Solar Construction (Australia) Pty Ltd (CS) been appointed by RE Oakey Pty Ltd (OP) as the contractor responsible for the Engineering, Procurement and Design (EPC) and Operation and Maintenance (O&M) for Oakey 2 Solar Park. In turn, CS intends to appoint Biosar Australia Pty Ltd (BA) as primary sub-contractor. OP, CS and BA have jointly developed this AIP Plan, with the intention of ensuring that the Australian industry is given a Full, Fair and Reasonable opportunity to provide goods and services to the project.

The scope of the project works includes:

- A 55MW AC Solar PV array
- Structural works associated with the Solar PV array
- Interconnection
- Site Civil Works
- SCADA and Control Systems
- Meteorological stations
- Other site works such as fencing, signage, access tracks and vegetation management This AIP Plan has been prepared by OP, CS and BA in accordance with the approximately \$55M Facility Agreement to be executed with the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC) for the Oakey 2 Solar Park debt package.

Estimated total project value: \$80,000,000

Estimated value of key goods and services procured for the project (if different to total project

value): as above

Project location: Oakey, Queensland

Link to project information: https://oakeysolarfarm.com.au/

Project contact for procurement information: Sally Stahmer, sstahmer@biosar.com.au,

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## 2. Opportunities for Australian industry involvement

List of goods and services to be procured for the project and the expected opportunity for industry participation	Opportunities for Australian suppliers	Opportunities for overseas suppliers
Design Services	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
Major Equipment Supply		
Solar Photovoltaic Modules	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
Solar mounting systems and components	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
Solar Inverters	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
High Voltage Electrical Equipment and High Voltage Cable	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes

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DC Cable	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
DC Combiner Box	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
Minor Works Services and Supply		
Construction Services – Civil, Structural, Electrical, Surveying, Geotechnical, Plumbing	Yes	No
Electrical Supplies – Low Voltage Cabling, Termination Material/ Equipment	Yes	Yes
Information technology – Hardware and Software	Yes	Yes
Weather Monitoring Equipment	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes
Fencing Supply and Installation	Yes	No
Trenching and Cable Haulage Services	Yes	No
Directional Boring Services	Yes	No
Plant and Equipment Hire Services	Yes	No
Quarry / Concrete / Asphalt Materials	Yes	No
Environmental Services (Landscaping and Revegetation)	Yes	No
Fuel and Water Supply	Yes	No
Security Services (Temporary and Permanent)	Yes	No
Waste Disposal/ Recycling Services	Yes	No
Site Amenities Hire	Yes	No
Safety Equipment Hire and Sales	Yes	No
Traffic Management	Yes	No
Labour Hire	Yes	No
Accommodation	Yes	No
Cranage Services	Yes	No
Community Liaison Services / Indigenous Liaison	Yes	No
Town planning services	Yes	No
Operation and maintenance services (O&M)	Yes	No
Transport and Logistics Services	Yes	Yes
Training services	Yes	Yes

Disclaimer: The information provided in the table above is based on an initial assessment by the company. Any questions or issues should be raised with the project contact.

# 3. Communication Strategy

 Communicate and gather offers from suppliers and service providers from the local Australian market

- Liaise with Industry Capability Network (ICN) Qld, Qld State Gov't and Toowoomba Regional Council to identify capable, competitive Australian suppliers and subcontractors
- Project website (<a href="http://oakeysolarfarm.com.au/">http://oakeysolarfarm.com.au/</a>) will be used to inform interested parties on the project, provide updates to the Community and publish announcement of events (i.e. community consultation, opening).
- Utilize media sources (LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, press and media releases) to promote the project and highlight AIP opportunities

### 4. Opportunities through all tiers of supply and in all stages of the project

- Project will be based on industry requirements and standards, which incorporate Australian and International design standards and engineering practices. The standards for PV cells, inverters and solar racking will be a combination of Australian and international standards
- A pre-qualified bidders list will be established with both Australian and International suppliers, provided they meet certain requirements such as track record, design capability, financial capability, level of Australian content, safety and employee relations record, quality system and service support capabilities
- Request for Tenders will be issued for various packages to qualified bidders. The time for tender responses will be the same for every bidder.
- The evaluation process will be based on a standardised scoring system that ensures each tender
  is assessed on its merits and the suppliers' ability to meet the project requirements.
- Canadian Solar's subcontractor, Biosar, will ensure the Australian industry can access
  opportunities through all tiers of supply (eg. From subcontractors to second and third tier
  suppliers). Canadian Solar will verify Biosar's tender packages and results to ensure they have
  been managed according to the terms of this AIP
- AIP policy and this AIP plan will be included in all RFTs

## 5. Opportunities for longer-term participation

- Skills obtained by local Australian suppliers will be deployable to other solar projects, internationally and within Australia
- Skills transfer through employment of Australian engineers, designers and technicians
- Utilize international suppliers, manufacturers and technical advisors to train local workforce in solar related technologies
- Feedback and debriefing will be offered to unsuccessful bidders to ensure unsuccessful Australian bidders are provided with knowledge to support future endeavours
- Encourage Australian suppliers to pre-qualify for future tenders
- Project owner will provide a supply chain report and presentation for Australian suppliers, which
  will provide transparency to Australian suppliers and visibility into which portions of the scope will
  be procured from international sources.
- Once in operation, local contractors and employees will be required to support the ongoing operation and maintenance of the solar farm
- Indigenous workforce and development training plan to foster sustainable community development through indigenous engagement and cultural awareness. This plan will help facilitate acquisition of new skills and capabilities by the indigenous community for RE Oakey and future projects

#### 6. Procedures and Resources

- Canadian Solar has appointed an individual with overall responsibility to track the implementation and execution of the AIP plan
- Internal CS internal policies to govern business practices. CS will require regular reporting from Biosar on the status of its commitments under this AIP.
- Implement a program to identify and report any variations to the AIP plan
- Ensure availability of AIP plan to all pertinent project personnel