Solar Array Plan Review Requirements

All information submitted shall comply with the International Residential Code 2009, Chapter 23
International
Building Code 2009 & the NEC 2008 for Commercial

Provide signed/sealed roof load calculations when installing on a roof.
1. Report, with photographs, documenting the condition of the roof framing.
2. Calculations for rafter roof framing, demonstrating that the existing rafters are not over-spanned and will carry the imposed loads (IRC Table 802.5.1(1-7).
3. Full truss calculations for all truss framed roofs.
4. Design professional shall be licensed in the state of Pennsylvania
5. Show all required labeling to be applied to solar equipment.

Inspections for roof mount solar system
1. Plan review including roof inspection to confirm of site/rafter conditions & findings of solar contractor, prior to approval of building permit (owner contact information required on application)
2. Inspection of attachment of rail mounting system while installing rails confirming attachment to center of rafters (not splitting of rafters where sistering will be required)
3. Building & Electrical final when project complete - contractor to meet on site to open all panels for inspection.

Provide the following for ground mounted solar PV array.
1. Site drawing showing existing structures and impervious surface, with the proposed PV array shown.
2. Number, size, depth and type of footings for the PV array mounting frame.
3. Design of PV array mounting frame (manufacturer’s cut-sheets)
4. Location and distance of incoming electric service from solar array
5. Size and type of service cable from PV array to service panel
6. Conduit size and type (if used)
7. Design professional shall be licensed in the state of Pennsylvania
8. Show all required labeling to be applied to solar equipment.
Inspections for ground mount solar system

1. Setback: side and rear yard minimums are meet
2. Footing: after excavation rebar in place per plan & prior to pouring concrete
3. Electrical: rough & at final
4. Final: Building & Electrical final when complete