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# Structural Report for Solar Array Installation

Illumine-i Project #:

SUP-73664

Issued Date:

05/25/2023

Project Information:

Structure:

Multi-Story Residence

Address:

1611 Wood Avenue

Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907, El Paso County

Design Requirements: Codes & Standards:

2015 IRC (ASCE 7-10), 2015 IBC, 2015 IEBC

w/Local Amendments

Jurisdiction:

City of Colorado Springs

To whom it may concern,

This structural report shall state the structural adequacy of the existing building structure to support the solar array installation proposed in Permit Drawings by Illumine-i (Project: SUP-73664, dated 05/25/2023, Rev G).

Based upon our analysis of the proposed installation to the existing structure, we have determined the adequacy of the following components to be as follows:

Solar Array Components Solar Array Anchorage to Roof

Adequate<sup>1</sup>
Adequate

Roof Structure

Adequate

#### Note:

1) Only includes items listed in Table 1.

This analysis will be affected if any conditions throughout the report or associated permit drawings are not also represented on-site. Contractor shall notify the engineer of record of any discrepancies and receive written approval from the engineer of record before proceeding with installation. If there are any questions or further assistance required, please call.

Respectfully,

Professional Engineering Team Illumine Industries, Inc.







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# 1) INTRODUCTION

The solar panel array shall be installed on the existing multi-story residence. The structure is wood framed. The roof structure is composed of 2x4 wood trusses spaced at 2'-0" on center. Original building drawings were provided by MiTek USA, Inc, Dated 02/04/2022.

The solar panel array is composed of components shown in Table 1.

Table 1 - List of Solar Panel Array Components

Component	Description	Rating Letter Info	Source
HiKu Mono 400 W - 425W	Solar Panels	PV Module Product Datasheet v2.6_EN by CanadianSolar, dated Nov 2020.	CanadianSolar
Unirac U-Builder 2.0 SOLARMOUNT Flush Rail	Rail System	Report Name: Engineering Certification for the Unirac U-Builder 2.0 SOLARMOUNT Flush Rail by PZSE Structural Engineers, dated 3/31/20	UNIRAC
FlashLoc Duo (Rafter Mount)	Roof Attachment System	Design and Engineering guide by UNIRAC	UNIRAC

Note:

1) All components are verified to withstand design criteria either based upon referenced rating letters or by calculations provided in this report.







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# 2) DESIGN CRITERIA

Code & Standards: 2015 IRC (ASCE 7-10), 2015 IBC, 2015 IEBC w/Local

Amendments

<u>Dead Loads</u> <u>Snow Loads</u>

Wood Truss Framing: 10 psf Ground Snow Load,  $p_g$ : 43 psf Solar Array: 3 psf Snow Exposure Factor,  $C_e$ : 1.0 Snow Importance Factor,  $I_s$ : 1.0

Asphalt Shingles: 2 psf Thermal Factor,  $C_t$ : 1.0 1/2" Plywood: 1.6 psf Slope Factor,  $C_s$ : 0.9

Flat Roof Snow Load, p<sub>f</sub>: 30 psf

Live Loads

Roof Live Load: 20 psf

Wind Loads

Ultimate Design Wind Speed, Vult: 130 mph

Allowable Stress Design Wind

Speed, V<sub>asd</sub>: 101 mph

Risk Category: II Exposure Category: C  $GC_{pi}$  (+/-): 0.18

Seismic Loads

Risk Category: II Seismic Importance Factor,  $I_E$ : 1.0

Design Spectral Response

Acceleration Parameters: SDS: 0.188, SD1: 0.096

Site Class (Assumed): D Seismic Design Category: B



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#### 3) DISCLAIMERS

#### 3.1 ASSUMPTIONS

1. Wood framing meets the following specifications in accordance with the ANSI/AWC "National Design Specification" (2015 Edition).

Roof Framing No. 2 Southern Pine Wall Framing No. 2 Spruce Pine Fir

2. All solar panel array components listed in Table 1 shall be designed and installed per the manufacturer's approved installation specifications.

3. The existing building structure was properly constructed and maintained in good condition.

#### 3.2 LIMITATIONS

1. Waterproofing around the roof penetrations is the responsibility of others.

- 2. No allowance has been made in this report for any existing deficiency in design, material, construction, or lack of maintenance for the existing structure or proposed equipment.
- 3. Any miscellaneous items not explicitly listed in this report have not been designed or detailed by Illumine-i. It is recommended that material of suitable size and strength be obtained from a reputable manufacturer for miscellaneous items.
- 4. The referenced permit plans are schematic representations of the installation of proposed equipment to the existing structure. The contractor shall be responsible for field verifying existing conditions, proper fit, and clearances in the field.
- 5. Construction documents depicting the required modifications for installation are obtainable from Illumine-i, but are beyond the scope of this report.







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# I. Component & Cladding Wind Calculations

#### **Site Data**

Ultimate Design Wind Speed, Vult: 130 mph Exposure Category: C
Risk Category: II
Topo Factor, K<sub>zt</sub>: 1.00

### **Building Data**

Mean Roof Height, h:	30	ft
Building Type:	Enclosed	
Roof Type:	Gable	
Roof Slope:	34	•
Least Horizontal Building Length:	27	ft
Largest Horizontal Building Length:	38	ft
Estimated Building Area:	1030	ft <sup>2</sup>
Roof dimension, 'a' per ASCE7:	3	ft

# **Wind Data**

# **Component & Cladding Wind Pressures**

Positive Pressure for Effective Area, A = 18 SF\*

Max Positive

Roof Zone	(GC <sub>p</sub> )	(GC <sub>pi</sub> , +/-)	Pressure (psf)
All Zones	0.87	0.18	38.00

<sup>\*</sup>Positive notation indicates wind pressure acting downwards on roof

#### Negative Pressure for Effective Area, A = 18 SF\*

Max Negative

Roof Zone	(GC <sub>p</sub> )	(GC <sub>pi</sub> , +/-)	Pressure (psf)
1	-0.95	0.18	-40.69
2 & 3	-1.15	0.18	-47.89

<sup>\*</sup>Negative notation indicates wind pressure acting away from roof





<sup>\*</sup>Wind calculations according to ASCE 7-10\*



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# II. Wind Forces on Solar Panel System

#### **Panel Data**

Short Length of Panel: 42 in Long Length of Panel: 77 in Quantity of Panels: 16

# \*Panel Pressure

Panel Location		Positive	<b>Uplift Pressure</b>	Service Uplift
(Roof Zone)	Eff. Wind Area, A	Pressure (psf)	(psf)	Pressure (psf)
1	21.9	37.69	-40.07	-24.05
2 & 3	21.9	37.69	-47.28	-28.37

<sup>\*</sup>Panel pressures only calculated for roof zones where solar panels are present.

### **Attachment Data**

Connection # 1:

Max CNX Spacing: 4.00 f

Attachments are along..(x).. of panel: Short Side

# Panel Attachments, Withdrawal

CNX#	Attach. Location	Trib. Wind	Uplift Pressure	Withdrawal	Withdrawa
	(Roof Zone)	Area, A	(psf)	Force (lbs)	Force (lbs)
1	2 & 3	12.7	-48.98	-623.6	-374.2





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# **III. Gravity Loads**

Roof Dead Loads			<b>Roof Dead Loads with Pan</b>	<u>els</u>	
Asphalt Shingles:	2	psf	Solar Array	3	psf
1/2" Plywood:	1.6	psf			psf
		psf	_		_
		psf			
		psf			
		psf			
Total Existing Dead Load:	3.6	psf	Total New Dead Load:	6.6	psf
Roof Live Loads			Roof Live Loads with Pane	<u>ls</u>	
Existing Design Roof Live Load		_	Roof Live Load @ Location w/		_
(reduced for sloped roof):	16.0	psf	Solar Array:	0	psf
Snow Loads			Snow Loads with Panels		
Ground Snow Load, pg:	43	psf	Thermal Factor, Ct:	1.0	7
Snow Exposure Factor, Ce:	1.0	7	Flat Roof Snow Load, pf:	30.0	psf
Snow Importance Factor, Is:	1.0		Slope Factor, Cs:	0.6	
Thermal Factor, Ct:	1.0		Sloped Roof Snow Load, ps:	16.7	psf
Flat Roof Snow Load, pf:	30	psf			
Slope Factor, Cs:	0.9				
Sloped Roof Snow Load, ps:	30	psf			
<b>Gravity Load Comparison</b>					
Factored Load Combinations	Exist. Weight	(psf)	New Weight (psf)		
1.4 DL:	5.0		9.2		
1.2 DL + 1.6 L <sub>r</sub> :	29.9		7.9		
1.2 DL + 1.6 S:	52.3	]	34.6		
Maximum Factored Gravity Loads:	52.3		34.6		
% Increase in Factored Weight:	-33.9%				

Per Section 403.3 of the 2015 IEBC, any existing gravity load-carrying structural element for which an alteration causes an increase in design dead, live, or snow load, including drift effects, of more than 5% shall be replaced or altered as needed to carry the gravity loads by the IBC for new structures.

Since there is no increase of gravity load greater than 5%, the existing structure is adequate for the alteration.







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#### **IV. Seismic Loads**

#### Seismic Weight

Existing Roof Dead Load:

Roof Dead Load @ Panel Locations:

Quantity of Pre-Existing Panels:

% of Roof w/ Solar Panels:

34.2%

Equiv. Seismic Weight Increase:	7.5%

Per Section 403.4 of the 2015 IEBC, any existing lateral load-carrying element whose demand-capacity ratio with the alteration considered is not more than 10% greater than its demand-capacity ratio with the alteration ignored shall be permitted to remain unaltered.

Since there is no increase of seismic weight greater than 10%, the existing lateral load-carrying elements are adequate for the alteration.









