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**STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS**  
for the  
**ROOFTOP PV SOLAR INSTALLATION**

Project: Merrick S Buffaloe, 220 Davinhall Dr, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526

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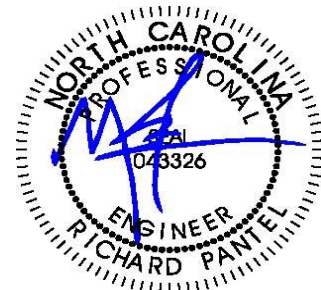
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## Loading Summary

Exposure and Occupancy Categories		
B		Exposure Category (ASCE 7-10 Table 26.7.3, Page 274)
II		Building Use Occupancy / Risk Category (ASCE 7-10 Table 1.5-1, Page 5)

Wind Loading:			
v	116	mph	ASCE 7-10, Figure 26.5-1 A, B or C, pp 249-251. [(116 mph, 50 year wind MRI)]
qz	20.63	psf	Velocity qz, calculated at height z [ASD]

Snow Loading			
pg	15.00	psf	Ground Snow Load pg (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.2-1, Page 56-60)
Total Snow Load			
ps	15.00	psf	Effective snow load on roof and modules

Module Data			
Jinko Solar: JKM425N-54HL4-B			
Dimensions	mm	ft	in
Length	1,722	5.65	67.80
Width	1,134	3.72	44.65
Area (m <sup>2</sup> , ft <sup>2</sup> )	2.0	21.02	
Weight	kg	lb	
Module	22.00	48.50	

Roof Panel (Cladding) Loading Summary		Module Loading Summary			
Support Point Loads		Upward	Upward	Upward	Downward
Roof Zones		1,2r	2n,3r	3e	All
Net load per module	lb	-140	-187	-274	177

*Positive values indicate net downward force*

**Primary Stanchion: IronRidge HALO ULTRAGRIP - (QM-HUG-01-B1)**

Stanchion Fastener Pull-out and Spacing Calculations				
Framing spacing	<i>ft</i>	2.00		
Rails / Module	<i>ea</i>	2		
Max proposed stanchion span	<i>ft</i>	4.00		
# fasteners per stanchion		2		
Bolt thread embedment depth	<i>in</i>	1.75		
Safety Factor		1.10		
Pull-out for #14 threaded fasteners	<i>lb/in</i>	134	<i>/in</i>	
Factored max fastener uplift capacity	<i>lb</i>	425		
Fastener details	<i>Material</i>	Stainless	<i>Size</i>	#14
Max stanchion uplift capacity	<i>lb</i>	1100		
Max support point uplift capacity	<i>lb</i>	425		

*Predrill hole 0.12" dia or use self tapping*

Roof Zones			1,2r	2n,3r	3e
Net lift per module	<i>lb</i>		140	187	274
Min tot bolt thread embedment depth req'd	<i>in</i>		0.58	0.77	1.13
Net uplift pressure	7. 0.6D - 0.6W	<i>psf</i>	-6.18	-8.25	-12.14
Allowable lift area / support point		<i>sf</i>	68.77	51.48	35.00
Max rail span per support spacing		<i>ft</i>	4.00	4.00	4.00
Landscape Modules					
Length along rafter	<i>ft</i>		3.72		
Lift calc'ed max stanchion EW spacing	<i>ft</i>		> 6	> 6	> 6
Max stanchion EW spacing	<i>ft</i>		4.00	4.00	4.00
Maximum module area / support point		<i>sf</i>	7.44	7.44	7.44
Factored lift per support point		<i>lb</i>	-46	-61	-90
Portrait Modules					
Length along rafter	<i>ft</i>		5.65		
Lift calc'ed max stanchion EW spacing	<i>ft</i>		> 6	> 6	> 6
Max stanchion EW spacing	<i>ft</i>		4.00	4.00	4.00
Maximum module area / support point		<i>sf</i>	11.30	11.30	11.30
Factored lift per support point		<i>lb</i>	-70	-93	-137

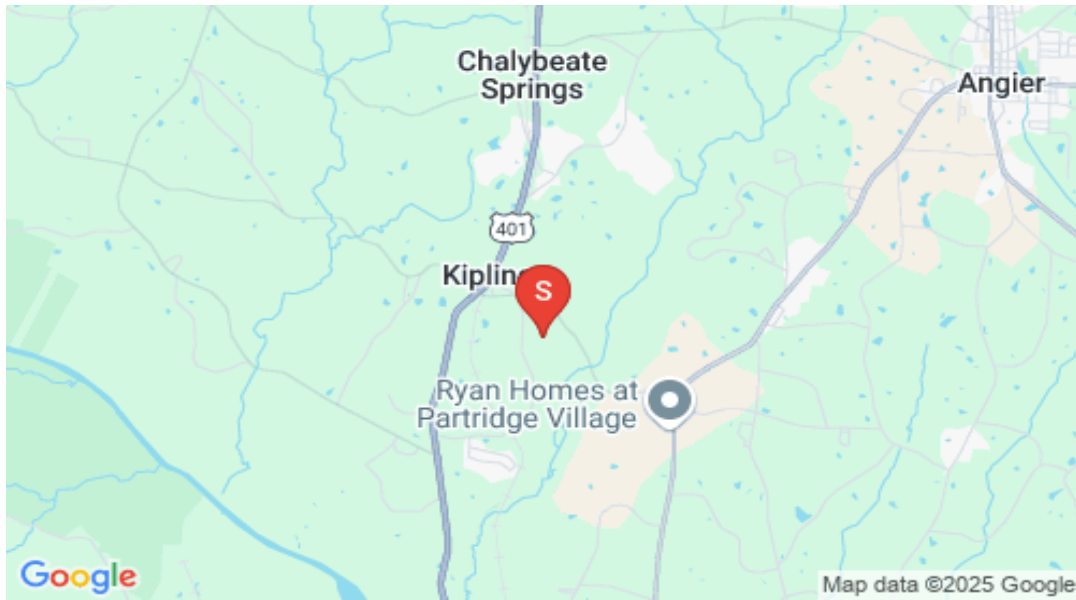
Stanchion support threaded fastener sizes are indicated in the Module Loading Summary table above. Lift forces were determined from GCp and other coefficients contained in the ASCE nomographs

## Conclusions

We were asked to review the roof of Merrick S Buffaloe, located at 220 Davinhall Dr, Fuquay-Varina, NC, by EMPWR Solar, to determine its suitability to support a PV solar system installation.

The referenced building's roof structure was field measured by EMPWR Solar. The attached framing analyses reflect the results of those field measurements combined with the PV solar module locations shown on the PV solar roof layout design prepared by EMPWR Solar. Loads are calculated to combine the existing building and environmental loads with the proposed new PV array loads.

The IronRidge XR10 Rail racking and IronRidge HALO ULTRAGRIP - (QM-HUG-01-B1) stanchions were selected for this project by EMPWR Solar. The racking and support stanchions shall be placed as shown on their plans, dated 02/13/2025, and shall be fastened to the roof framing using fastener sizes indicated in this report. Rack support spacing shall be no more than that shown above. Note that support points for alternating rows shall share the same truss. Intermediate rows shall move the support points laterally to the next truss.



**Google Location Map**

**Framing Summary**

	<u>Ex. Framing</u>	<u>Total Ex DL</u>
MP 1: Truss @ 24" OC	0.79 psf	5.94 psf
* Wood species used in these calculations assumes spruce, pine or fir, #2 grade.		

Based upon the attached calculations, the existing roof's framing system is capable of supporting the additional loading for the proposed PV solar system along with the existing building and environmental loads. No supplemental roof framing structural supports are required. No further structural alterations or modifications are needed to support the system. Minimum required anchorage fastening is described above.

*Wood fastener notes: 1) Fastener threads must be embedded in the side grain of a roof support structural member or other structural member integrated into the building's structure. 2) Fastener must be located in the middle third of the structural member. 3) Install fasteners with head and where required, washer, flush to material surface (no gap). Do not over-torque.*

**References and Codes:**

- 1) ASCE 7-10 Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
- 2) 2015 IBC
- 3) 2018 NC Building Code
- 4) American Wood Council, NDS 2018, Table 12.2A, 12.3.3A.
- 5) American Wood Council, Wood Structural Design, 1992, Figure 6.

**Roof Structural Calculations for PV Solar Installation**

Array AR-1

Location: MP 1

Member: Truss - Total Length 36 ft, Unsupported 36 ft

Geometric Data			
$\Theta$	deg.	30.00	Angle of roof plane from horizontal, in degrees
$\omega$	deg.	0.00	Angle the solar panel makes with the roof surface
L	ft.	51.75	Length of roof plane, in feet (meters)
W	ft.	32.08	Plan view width of roof plane, in feet (meters)
h	ft.	19.50	Average height of roof above grade, in feet (meters)

Roof Wind Zone Width			
use, a =	3.21	ft	

Wind Velocity Pressure, $q_z$ evaluated at the height z					
$q_z$ =	20.63	psf	Vasd $q_z$ =	12.61 psf	Basic wind pressure
V=	116				mph

Framing Data	
Wood type	US Spruce
Wood source, moisture content	White 0.12%
# Framing Members / Support	1
Rafter / Truss OC	in 24.00
Member Total Length	ft 36.00

2	# Rafters / Rack Support Width
4.00	Rack Support Spacing (ft)
48.00	Max. Rack Support Spacing (in)
3	Max # of mod's / Truss top chord

Member Properties	Member
Name	(1) 2x6
Repetitive Member Factor (Cr)	1.15

\* Mem properties based upon field measurements

Truss top chord

Module Data			
Weight	kg	lb	psf load
Module	22.00	48.50	2.31
4 Stanchions	0.91	2.0	0.10

Existing Dead Loads	Units	Value	Description
Roof Deck & Surface Material*	psf	5.15	Truss members' self weight added to FEA analysis

\* Roof surface: Shingles, Asphalt, Architectural (Typical)

Rack Support Spacing and Loading			
Across rafters	ft	4.0	
Along rafter slope	ft	5.6	
Area / support point	sf	11.3	
Uphill gap between modules	in	1.0	0.08 ft

Member Total Length	ft	36.00	
Maximum member free span	ft	36.00	Truss top chord span
Zones	1,2r	2n,3r	3e
GCp	-1.48	-1.75	-2.27

Downward, Zones All Zones  
GCp 0.77

**ASCE 7-10 Chapter 2 Combinations of Loads, Table 2.4, Page 8 (in psf)**

Zones	1,2r	2n,3r	3e	All Zones
2.2 SYMBOLS AND NOTATION	<i>Module Upward</i>	<i>Module Upward</i>	<i>Module Upward</i>	<i>Downward</i>
D = dead load of PV Module + Stanchion	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40
S = snow load	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
W = wind load = (Vu Windload) = (Vasd Windload / 0.6)	-18.64	-22.09	-28.57	9.72

**2.4 Combining Nominal Loads Using Allowable Stress Design (in psf)**

2.4.1 Basic Combinations. Loads listed herein shall be considered to act in the following combinations; whichever produces the most unfavorable effect in the building, foundation, or structural member being considered. Effects of one or more loads not acting shall be considered.

<i>Combination Formulae</i>	<i>Upward</i>	<i>Upward</i>	<i>Upward</i>	<i>Downward</i>
<b>Use this loading combination for DOWNWARD for Proposed PV Dead Load</b>				
6. D + 0.75L - 0.75(0 or 0.7)eE + 0.75S	17.40	17.40	17.40	18.03
Module Support point load (lb)	197	197	197	204
Cr Factored Module Support point load (lb)	171	171	171	177

**Use this loading combination for UPWARD for Proposed PV Dead Load**

7. 0.6D - 0.6W	-6.18	-8.25	-12.14	5.00
Module Support point load (lb)	-70	-93	-137	57

**DOWNWARD**

*Presume loading directly over member.*

**Combined Dead and Wind Pressure Downward Loading**

Truss top chord span					
PV Module Row	Point load loc's from Left support	Point Load #'s	Module Support Point Load	Comment	Module Orientation
	<i>ft from left</i>		<i>lb</i>		
1	16.17		177		Portrait
1	21.82			Support placed on adjoining truss	Portrait
2	21.90			Support placed on adjoining truss	Portrait
2	27.55		177		Portrait
3	27.64		177		Portrait
3	33.29			Support placed on adjoining truss	Portrait

### Truss Data and Loading for MP 1

Roof slope (degrees)	30.00
Top ridge height above floor plane	18.00

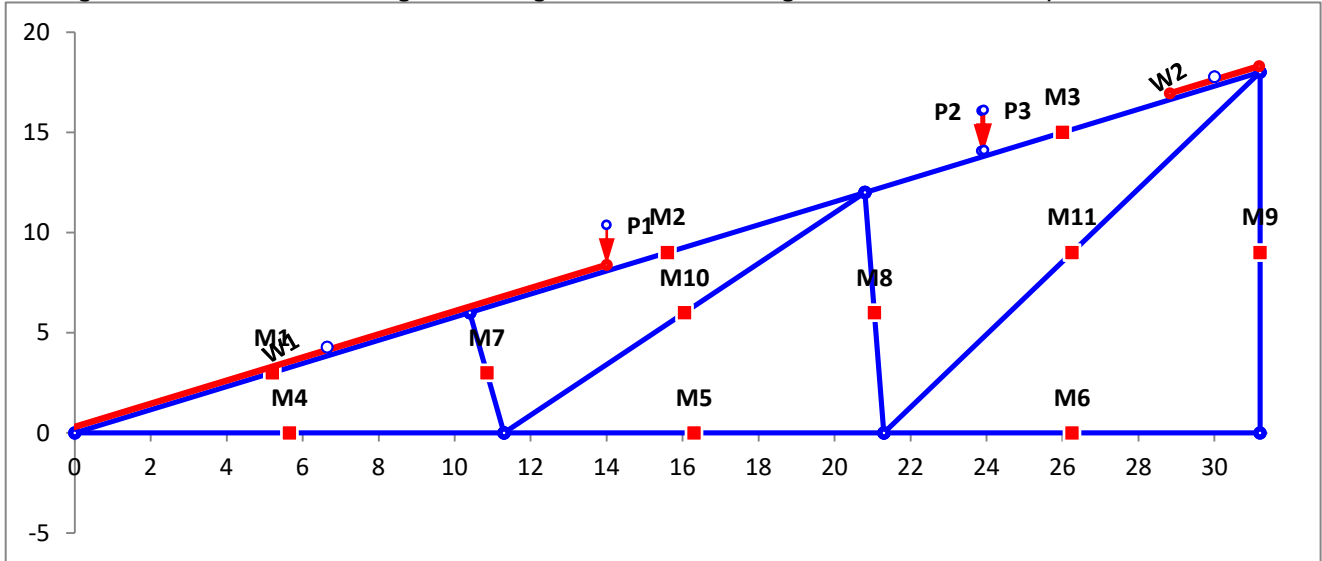
Length of roof plane	36.00
Length of floor plane	31.25

#### Truss Segments

Roof Plane		Floor Plane	
Mem #	Mem Type	Mem #	Mem Type
1	2x6	4	2x6
2	2x6	5	2x6
3	2x6	6	2x6

Diagonals		Diagonals	
Mem #	Mem Type	Mem #	Mem Type
7	2x4	10	2x4
8	2x4	11	2x4
9	2x4		

\* Loading includes member self weight & roofing materials. *w* loading = wind & snow on exposed areas





## Snow Loading Analysis

where:

- |                        |  |   |
|------------------------|--|---|
|                        | Fully Exposed  | Exposure category   |
| <b>C<sub>e</sub></b> = | 0.9  | Exposure Factor, C <sub>e</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.3-1, Page 61)                        |
| <b>C<sub>t</sub></b> = | 1.0  | Thermal Factor, C <sub>t</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.3-2, Page 61)                         |
| <b>I<sub>s</sub></b> = | 1.0  | Snow Importance Factor, I <sub>s</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 1.5-2, Page 5)                  |
| <b>p<sub>g</sub></b> = | 15.00  | Ground Snow Load p <sub>g</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.2-1, Page 56-60)                     |
| <b>p<sub>f</sub></b> = | <b>0.7C<sub>e</sub>C<sub>t</sub>I<sub>s</sub>P<sub>g</sub></b> | Flat Roof Snow Load, p <sub>f</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.3-1, Page 61)                    |
| <b>p<sub>f</sub></b> = | <b>9.45</b>  | psf   |
|                        |  | but where P <sub>f</sub> is not less than the following:                                |
|                        |  | Minimum Snow Load p <sub>m</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.3.4, Page 62)                       |
| <b>p<sub>m</sub></b> = | <b>15.00</b>   | When P <sub>g</sub> <=20 psf, then use P <sub>f</sub> = P <sub>g</sub> x I <sub>s</sub> |
| <b>p<sub>f</sub></b> = | <b>15.00</b>   | psf. Resultant Snow pressure to be used with Roof slope factor below                    |
| <b>p<sub>s</sub></b> = | <b>C<sub>s</sub>p<sub>f</sub></b>                              | Sloped Roof Snow Load p <sub>s</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.4, Page 61)                     |
|                        |  | Roof Type Warm Roofs  |

*Roof slope factor C<sub>s</sub> for Warm Roofs, where C<sub>t</sub> = 1.0*  
 Roof surface condition = Slippery Roof

- C<sub>s</sub>** = 1.00 Roof Slope Factor, C<sub>s</sub> (ASCE 7-10 Table 7.4-1a, Page 62)

### Total Snow Load

<b>p<sub>s</sub></b> =	<b>15.00 psf</b>	Roof snow load
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**FEA Calculation Results for Roof Plane MP 1 for EMPWR Solar Client MERRICK S BUFFALOE**  
**IDSPL - 2D Frame Analysis of a 2D frame subject to distributed loads, point loads and moments**

Equilibrium check	FX	FY	0.00104
Total applied forces	0.00	2962	
Total output reactions	0.00	-2962	
Output error	1.63E-13	-1.82E-12	

	Shear	Ax
Max (psi)	4	267
Allowable (psi)	115	5,610
# of segments/beam	1	

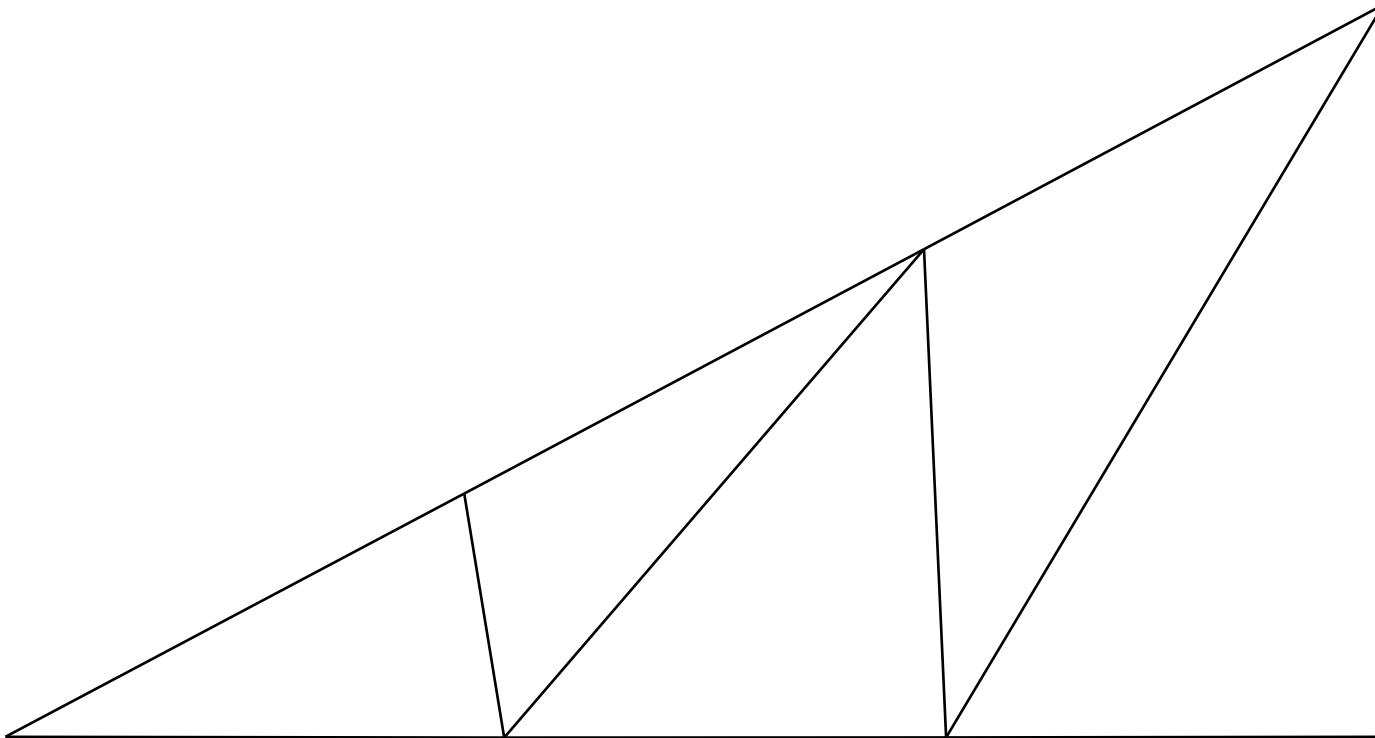
Maximum Deflections	
-3.58E-03	-9.00E-03

*\* vertical deflections do not take into account any supporting intermediate walls*

Node Results			Beam End Results			
Direction	Deflection	Reaction	Beam	Shear	Axial	BM
DX1	0.00E+00	0	1-1	53	1614	0
DY1	0.00E+00	-758	1-2	392	1418	0
RZ1	0.00E+00	0	2-1	45	1551	0
DX2	-3.53E-03	0	2-2	384	1356	0
DY2	8.80E-03	0	3-1	-380	1147	0
RZ2	0.00E+00	0	3-2	735	504	0
DX3	-1.93E-03	0	4-1	3	-1424	0
DY3	8.59E-03	0	4-2	201	-1424	0
RZ3	0.00E+00	0	5-1	0	-860	0
DX4	2.38E-03	0	5-2	0	-860	0
DY4	2.62E-03	0	6-1	0	0	0
RZ4	0.00E+00	0	6-2	0	0	0
DX5	-1.09E-03	0	7-1	1	399	0
DY5	9.00E-03	0	7-2	-3	372	0
RZ5	0.00E+00	0	8-1	1	1387	0
DX6	-1.67E-03	0	8-2	-3	1296	0
DY6	7.50E-03	0	9-1	0	2205	0
RZ6	0.00E+00	0	9-2	0	2014	0
DX7	-1.67E-03	0	10-1	-26	-782	0
DY7	0.00E+00	-2205	10-2	61	-892	0
RZ7	0.00E+00	0	11-1	-36	-1602	0
Rel1-3	7.908E-04	0	11-2	81	-1815	0
Rel1-6	1.106E-03	0				
Rel2-3	-7.434E-05	0				
Rel2-6	2.153E-04	0				

Beam	X	Shear	Mom	Axial	DX	DY	RZ
1	0.00	53	0	1614	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
1	12.01	135	1291	1566	-3.58E-03	-8.77E-03	9.34E-04
2	0.00	45	0	1551	-3.53E-03	-8.80E-03	0.00E+00
2	12.01	128	1196	1503	-1.97E-03	-8.57E-03	5.95E-05
3	0.00	-380	0	1147	-1.93E-03	-8.59E-03	0.00E+00
3	12.01	275	7190	769	2.14E-03	-2.48E-03	-7.79E-04
4	0.00	3	0	-1424	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
4	11.30	90	707	-1424	-1.09E-03	-9.00E-03	8.74E-04
5	0.00	0	0	-860	-1.09E-03	-9.00E-03	0.00E+00
5	10.00	0	0	-860	-1.67E-03	-7.50E-03	-1.51E-04
6	0.00	0	0	0	-1.67E-03	-7.50E-03	0.00E+00
6	9.90	0	0	0	-1.67E-03	0.00E+00	-7.57E-04
7	0.00	1	0	399	-1.09E-03	-9.00E-03	0.00E+00
7	6.07	-2	-1	380	-3.53E-03	-8.80E-03	4.03E-04
8	0.00	1	0	1387	-1.67E-03	-7.50E-03	0.00E+00
8	12.01	-2	-1	1314	-1.93E-03	-8.59E-03	1.84E-05
9	0.00	0	0	2205	-1.67E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
9	18.00	0	0	2042	2.38E-03	-2.62E-03	-2.25E-04
10	0.00	-26	0	-782	-1.09E-03	-9.00E-03	0.00E+00
10	15.31	47	11	-874	-1.93E-03	-8.59E-03	8.25E-06
11	0.00	-36	0	-1602	-1.67E-03	-7.50E-03	0.00E+00
11	20.54	66	12	-1788	2.38E-03	-2.62E-03	-3.36E-04

\* vertical deflections do not take into account any supporting intermediate walls



**Scaled 2X Deflected Truss Plot**  
**Roof Plane MP 1 for EMPWR Solar Client MERRICK S BUFFALOE**