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The following calculations are for the structural engineering design of the photovoltaic panels and are valid only for the structural info referenced in the stamped plan set. The verification of such info is the responsibility of others.

After review, I certify that the roof structure has sufficient structural capacity for the proposed 23 PV modules.

All mounting equipment shall be designed and installed per manufacturer's approved installation specifications.

Design Criteria:

Code:	2018 NC Building Code		
	ASCE 7-10		
Live Load:	20	psf	
Ult Wind Speed:	116	mph	
Exposure Cat:	B		
Ground Snow:	10	psf	Min Roof Snow: NA

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Roof Properties:

	Roof 1
Roof Type =	Shingle
Roof Pitch (deg) =	27
Mean Roof Height (ft) =	23
Attachment Trib Width (ft) =	2.75
Attachment Spacing (ft) =	4
Framing Type =	Truss
Framing Size =	2x4
Framing OC Spacing (in.) =	24
Section Thickness, b (in.) =	1.5
Section Depth, d (in.) =	3.5
Section Modulus, S _x (in. ³) =	3.1
Moment of Inertia, I _x (in. ⁴) =	5.4
Framing Span (ft) =	8
Deflection Limit D+L (in.) =	1.6
Deflection Limit S or W (in.) =	1.07
Attachments Pattern =	Fully Staggered
Framing Upgrade =	Adequate
Sister Size =	NA
Wood Species =	DF #2
Wood F _b (psi) =	900
Wood F _v (psi) =	180
Wood E (psi) =	1600000
C _D (Wind) =	1.6
C _D (Snow) =	1.15
C _{LS} =	1.15
C _M = C _t = C _L = C _i =	1.0
C _F =	1.5
C _{fu} =	1.00
C _r =	1.15
F' _{b_wind} (psi) =	2857
F' _{b_snow} (psi) =	2053
F' _{v_wind} (psi) =	288
F' _{v_snow} (psi) =	207
M _{allowable_wind} (lb-ft) =	729
M _{allowable_snow} (lb-ft) =	524
V _{allowable_wind} (lbs) =	1008
V _{allowable_snow} (lbs) =	725



$E' \text{ (psi)} = 1600000$

Load Calculation:

Dead Load Calculations:

Panels Dead Load (psf) =	3.0
Roof 1	
Roofing Weight (psf) =	3.0
Decking Weight (psf) =	2.0
Framing Weight (psf) =	0.6
Misc. Additional Weight (psf) =	1.0
Existing Dead Load (psf) =	6.6
Total Dead Load (psf) =	9.6

Snow Load Calculations:

Ground Snow Load, p_g (psf) =	10
Min Flat Snow, p_{f_min} (psf) =	NA
Min Sloped Snow, p_{s_min} (psf) =	NA
Snow Importance Factor, I_s =	1.0
Exposure Factor, C_e =	0.9
Roof 1	
Thermal Factor, C_t =	1.2
Flat Roof Snow, p_f (psf) =	7.56
Slope Factor, C_s =	1.00
Sloped Roof Snow, p_s (psf) =	8

Wind Load Calculations:

Ultimate Wind Speed (mph) =	116
Directionality Factor, k_d =	0.85
Topographic Factor, k_{zt} =	1.0
Roof 1	
Velocity Press Exp Factor, k_z =	0.70
Solar Equalization Factor, γ_a =	1.00
External Pressure Up, GC_{p_1} =	-0.85
External Pressure Up, GC_{p_2} =	-1.55
External Pressure Up, GC_{p_3} =	-2.45
External Pressure Down, GC_p =	0.45
Design Pressure Up, $p_{_1}$ (psf) =	-17.4
Design Pressure Up, $p_{_2}$ (psf) =	-31.8
Design Pressure Up, $p_{_3}$ (psf) =	-50.3
Design Pressure Down, p (psf) =	16.0

Hardware Checks:

Attachment Checks:

	Roof 1
Attachment Type =	QM HUG
Allowable Up Force (lbs) =	1000
	2000
Allowable Side Force (lbs) =	240
Applied Uplift Force (lbs) =	-97
Uplift DCR =	0.10
Applied Down Force (lbs) =	164
Down DCR =	0.08
Applied Lateral Force (lbs) =	53
Lateral DCR =	0.22

Roof Framing Checks:

Force Checks:

	Roof 1
LC1: D+S	
Applied Moment (lb-ft) =	183
Applied Shear (lbs) =	137
Allowable Moment (lb-ft) =	524
Allowable Shear (lbs) =	725
Moment DCR =	0.35
Shear DCR =	0.19
LC2: D+0.6W	
Applied Moment (lb-ft) =	205
Applied Shear (lbs) =	154
Allowable Moment (lb-ft) =	729
Allowable Shear (lbs) =	1008
Moment DCR =	0.28
Shear DCR =	0.15
LC3: D+0.75(S+0.6W)	
Applied Moment (lb-ft) =	240
Applied Shear (lbs) =	180
Allowable Moment (lb-ft) =	729
Allowable Shear (lbs) =	1008
Moment DCR =	0.33
Shear DCR =	0.18
LC4: 0.6D+0.6W	



Applied Moment (lb-ft) =	50
Applied Shear (lbs) =	38
Allowable Moment (lb-ft) =	729
Allowable Shear (lbs) =	1008
Moment DCR =	0.07
Shear DCR =	0.04

Deflection Checks (Service Level):

	Roof 1
LC1: D+L	
Deflection (in.) =	0.06
Deflection Limit (in.) =	1.84
Deflection DCR =	0.03
LC2: S	
Deflection (in.) =	0.03
Deflection Limit (in.) =	1.23
Deflection DCR =	0.03
LC3: W (Down)	
Deflection (in.) =	0.03
Deflection Limit (in.) =	1.23
Deflection DCR =	0.02
LC4: W (Up)	
Deflection (in.) =	-0.03
Deflection Limit (in.) =	1.23
Deflection DCR =	0.03

Seismic Check:

Existing Weight:

Wall Weight (psf) =	17
Tributary Wall Area (ft ²) =	2400
Total Wall Weight (lbs) =	40800
Roof Weight (psf) =	7
Roof Area (ft ²) =	1500
Total Roof Weight (lbs) =	9902
Total Existing Weight (lbs) =	50702

Additional PV Weight:

PV Panel Weight (lbs) =	54
Number of Panels =	23
Total Additional PV Weight (lbs) =	1252



Weight Increase:

$$(\text{Existing W} + \text{Additional W})/(\text{Existing W}) = 1.02$$

The increase in weight as a result of the solar system is less than 10% of the existing structure and therefore no further seismic analysis is required.

Limits of Scope of Work and Liability:

Existing structure is assumed to have been designed and constructed following appropriate codes at time of erection, and assumed to have appropriate permits. The calculations produced are only for the roof framing supporting the proposed PV installation referenced in the stamped planset and were completed according to generally recognized structural analysis standards and procedures, professional engineering and design experience, opinions and judgements. Existing deficiencies which are unknown or were not observable during time of inspection are not included in this scope of work. All PV modules, racking, and mounting equipment shall be designed and installed per manufacturer's approved installation specifications. The Engineer of Record and the engineering consulting firm assume no responsibility for misuse or improper installation. This analysis is not stamped for water leakage. Framing was determined based on information in provided plans and/or photos, along with engineering judgement. Prior to commencement of work, the contractor shall verify the framing sizes, spacings, and spans noted in the stamped plans, calculations, and cert letter (where applicable) and notify the Engineer of Record of any discrepancies prior to starting construction. Contractor shall also verify that there is no damaged framing that was not addressed in stamped plans, calculations, and cert letter (where applicable) and notify the Engineer of Record of any concerns prior to starting construction.