



Solar Spotlight

Van Buren Landfill

Van Buren, MI



Acreage: 68

Zoning: M-2, General Industrial

Property Description: Parcel has been vacant since a landfill on the site closed in approximately 1969. Much of the property is wooded. The property is north of the Willow Run Airport, and is abutted to the east by industrial property. It is anticipated that use of the property will be restricted to industrial or recreational, use of groundwater will be prohibited and any excavations must comply with applicable health, safety and environmental regulations.

Marketing Brochure: bit.ly/vanburenmi

Potential Customers/Partners: The south side of Ecorse Road is home to the Willow Run Airport and the former Willow Run Powertrain Plant property. A medium-size industrial structure owned by Johnson Controls, Inc., is on the north side of the airport property, along the south side of Ecorse Road. Less than a mile to the property's northeast is Contractors Steel Company, which has a 100,000-ton inventory of carbon steel. The closest electrical substation is on RACER's Willow Run Powertrain property.

Michigan Solar at a Glance:

- Renewable Energy Standard (RPS): Goal of 10% by end of 2015, applicable

to investor-owned, cooperative and municipal electric utilities, and alternative suppliers.

- Michigan Solar Funding Platform: Encourages renewable energy development by connecting investors to Michigan projects. Provided by Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association (GLREA) and Localstake Marketplace LLC.

Incentives for Industrial/Commercial Consumers, Developers:

- Businesses engaged in alternative energy research, development and manufacturing may claim a nonrefundable credit from the Michigan business tax. Certification by the Michigan Next Energy Authority is required (bit.ly/michnea).
- Lean & Green Michigan™ (bit.ly/lgmich) helps qualified commercial, industrial and multi-family property owners finance energy projects.
- Michigan Incentive Renewable Energy Credits (IRECs): Michigan incentive RECs are available for manufacturing, installation, advanced energy storage, and on-peak production.

Net Metering & Interconnection Policies:

- Net metering system capacity limit of 150 kW for non-residential systems. (bit.ly/dsiremi-incentives)

Additional Resources:

Michigan Public Service Commission:
bit.ly/michpsc

Database of State Incentives for
Renewables & Efficiency: bit.ly/dsiremi

Consumers Energy: bit.ly/consumeren