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## Office of Commissioner Brandon Presley MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NORTHERN DISTRICT

## Presley Approves \$3.7 Million, 30 Acre Union County Solar Farm

New Albany, MS (September 28, 2016) – Today, Public Service Commissioner Brandon Presley approved the construction of a solar farm in New Albany, Mississippi that will generate enough electricity, from the sun, to power 250 homes.

The facility will be located on 30 acres of farm land in New Albany near the Wal-Mart Distribution Center and have approximately 6,600 solar panels. The \$3.7 million dollar facility will be constructed by SR New Albany LLC and interconnect with Northeast Mississippi Electric Power Association. The solar farm will generate 2 megawatts of electricity, enough to supply power to approximately 250 homes. Construction is expected to start before the end of the year.

"This project is a major boost to Union County and our state. We may not know what the cost of gasoline will be tomorrow but we know the sunshine will be free," said Commissioner Presley. "This solar farm will help keep rates low and affordable while using our natural resources to power the economy."

For more information on solar energy contact the PSC at 1-800-356-6428 or visit <a href="https://www.psc.state.ms.us">www.psc.state.ms.us</a>.



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