Installation of Solar Systems

Mesa does not require permits for photo voltaic systems installed under an incentive program sponsored by a serving utility or government entity. However, permits are required for certain electrical work. To determine if a permit is required for electrical work associated with an exempt photo voltaic system installation, answer the following questions:

1. Is the de-rating of the breaker allowed per the UL listing of the SES?
2. Is the back-fed breaker listed for back feeding?
3. Does this installation meet the 2017 NEC code requirements?
4. Do modifications to the SES maintain the UL listing?

If the answer is yes to all questions, no permit is required. The contractor and the serving utility will coordinate turning power on/off without a clearance from the City.

If the answer to any question is no, a permit is required for the electrical work. If a new SES is installed, a Mesa permit and clearance/green tag is required for the SES, but not the photo voltaic system installation.