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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a home builder and a former City of Seattle Building Inspector (1982 - 1986). I have solar panels installed on a number of new homes that I have built for the spec market and I have solar panels on my personal home.

I recommend no required setback from eaves, rakes, and ridges for the panels unless the panels cover most of the roof - then it makes sense to provide a walkway around the panels. Often, there is limited roof area for the panels, due to shading issues, so we don't want to limit that any more. If it is a gable roof, one side is normally completely free of panels.

Feel free to call me or email, if you have any questions.

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