SOLAR LEASE AGREEMENTS

What You Need to Know For a Smooth Closing



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While residential solar panel installations have increased more than 50% each year since 2012 nationwide, disputes over solar panel leases have simultaneously increased during the transfer of properties. Ensure your successful closing by considering these helpful tips and considerations for transactions involving solar panel lease agreements:

1. BE PROACTIVE

Pre-open your escrow and use the time early in the listing or pre-listing period to be sure you completely understand the terms of the agreement as it applies to the transfer of the lease. It is better to be prepared and informed ahead of time before going into contract.

2. KNOW YOUR OPTIONS

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3. KEEP YOUR SOLAR PANEL LEASE HOLDER INVOLVED

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4. CHECK THE RECORD

Ensure that any solar easements have been officially recorded in public records so that it is available to be noted during the title search process. Such an omission can potentially create issues for future buyers.

5. COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Ensure that your escrow officer is informed. The more information you can offer, the smoother your transaction will be. Make sure you alert your escrow team to your current lease agreement, status of the agreement and requirements from the lease holder.