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Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2003

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2003 calendar year, or tax year beginning **and ending**

B Check if applicable: [X] Address change [ ] Name change [ ] Initial return [ ] Final return [ ] Amended return [ ] Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization: SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address): 1612 K STREET, NW — Room/suite: 402

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: WASHINGTON, DC 20006

D Employer identification number: 52-1701564

E Telephone number: (202) 234-7265

F Accounting method: [ ] Cash [X] Accrual [ ] Other (specify) ▶

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

H and **I** *are not applicable to section 527 organizations.*

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? [ ] Yes [X] No

H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ▶

H(c) Are all affiliates included? N/A [ ] Yes [ ] No (If "No," attach a list.)

H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? [ ] Yes [X] No

I Group Exemption Number ▶

M Check ▶ [ ] if the organization is **not** required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

G Website: ▶WWW.SELF.ORG

J Organization type (check only one) ▶ [X] 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) [ ] 4947(a)(1) or [ ] 527

K Check here ▶ [ ] if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than $25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. **Some states require a complete return.**

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ▶ 708,653.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:				
	a	Direct public support	1a	315,802.		
	b	Indirect public support	1b	30,042.		
	c	Government contributions (grants)	1c			
	d	**Total** (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash $ 345,844. noncash $)			1d	345,844.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)			2	360,809.
	3	Membership dues and assessments			3	
	4	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			4	1,288.
	5	Dividends and interest from securities			5	163.
	6 a	Gross rents	6a			
	b	Less: rental expenses	6b			
	c	Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)			6c	
	7	Other investment income (describe ▶)			7	
	8 a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory — (A) Securities: 549.	8a	(B) Other:		
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses — (A) 517.	8b			
	c	Gain or (loss) (attach schedule) — (A) 32.	8c			
	d	Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B)) STMT 1			8d	32.
	9	Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from **gaming**, check here ▶ [ ]				
	a	Gross revenue (not including $ of contributions reported on line 1a)	9a			
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b			
	c	Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)			9c	
	10 a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b			
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)			10c	
	11	Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)			11	
	12	**Total revenue** (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)			12	708,136.
Expenses	13	Program services (from line 44, column (B))			13	613,506.
	14	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))			14	31,739.
	15	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))			15	21,408.
	16	Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)			16	
	17	**Total expenses** (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))			17	666,653.
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)			18	41,483.
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))			19	146,918.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) SEE STATEMENT 2			20	<379.>
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)			21	188,022.

Part II **Statement of Functional Expenses** All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (attach schedule) cash $ noncash $	22				
23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23				
24 Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24				
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc.	25	65,596.	59,734.	3,517.	2,345.
26 Other salaries and wages	26	41,843.	29,068.	6,443.	6,332.
27 Pension plan contributions	27				
28 Other employee benefits	28	26,344.	16,898.	7,453.	1,993.
29 Payroll taxes	29	8,219.	6,494.	1,070.	655.
30 Professional fundraising fees	30				
31 Accounting fees	31	11,944.	4,844.	7,100.	
32 Legal fees	32				
33 Supplies	33	4,115.	4,115.	0.	0.
34 Telephone	34	17,882.	14,860.	2,136.	886.
35 Postage and shipping	35				
36 Occupancy	36	39,387.	39,387.	0.	0.
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37				
38 Printing and publications	38	325.	0.	325.	0.
39 Travel	39	11,311.	6,603.	0.	4,708.
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	135.	135.	0.	0.
41 Interest	41	3,240.	3,240.	0.	0.
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	42	4,599.	4,599.		
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize):					
a	43a				
b	43b				
c	43c				
d	43d				
e SEE STATEMENT 3	43e	431,713.	423,529.	3,695.	4,489.
44 Total functional expenses (add lines 22 through 43). Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15	44	666,653.	613,506.	31,739.	21,408.

Joint Costs. Check ▶ ☐ if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in **(B)** Program services? ▶ ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

If "Yes," enter **(i)** the aggregate amount of these joint costs $ ______ ; **(ii)** the amount allocated to Program services $ ______ ;
(iii) the amount allocated to Management and general $ ______ ; and **(iv)** the amount allocated to Fundraising $ ______ .

Part III **Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ▶
TO PROMOTE SOLAR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION. (SEE ATTACHED)

All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)

		Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1) trusts; but optional for others.)
a	SEE STATEMENT 4 (Grants and allocations $)	613,506.
b	(Grants and allocations $)	
c	(Grants and allocations $)	
d	(Grants and allocations $)	
e	Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations $)	
f	**Total of Program Service Expenses** (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ▶	613,506.

Part IV **Balance Sheets**

Note: *Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only.*			**(A)** Beginning of year		**(B)** End of year
Assets	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing		82.	45	122.
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments		407,060.	46	185,786.
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a 3,614.			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	2,965.	47c	3,614.
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b		48c	
	49 Grants receivable		100,495.	49	53,937.
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees			50	
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b		51c	
	52 Inventories for sale or use		247.	52	247.
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		2,031.	53	4,082.
	54 Investments - securities STMT 5 ▶ [X] Cost [ ] FMV		4,551.	54	3,775.
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	55b		55c	
	56 Investments - other			56	
	57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 47,462.			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	57b 38,039.	14,470.	57c	9,423.
	58 Other assets (describe ▶ ADVANCES)		57.	58	0.
	59 **Total assets** (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)		531,958.	59	260,986.
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		13,547.	60	62,005.
	61 Grants payable			61	
	62 Deferred revenue		371,493.	62	10,959.
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees			63	
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities			64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable			64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			65	
	66 **Total liabilities** (add lines 60 through 65)		385,040.	66	72,964.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	**Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶** [X] and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.				
	67 Unrestricted		18,959.	67	40,151.
	68 Temporarily restricted		127,959.	68	147,871.
	69 Permanently restricted			69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ [ ] and complete lines 70 through 74.				
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund			71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			72	
	73 **Total net assets or fund balances** (add lines 67 through 69 **or** lines 70 through 72; column (A) **must** equal line 19; column (B) **must** equal line 21)		146,918.	73	188,022.
	74 **Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances** (add lines 66 and 73)		531,958.	74	260,986.

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

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Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	a	707,941.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990:		
(1)	Net unrealized gains on investments $ <195.>		
(2)	Donated services and use of facilities $		
(3)	Recoveries of prior year grants $		
(4)	Other (specify): $		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	<195.>
c	Line a minus line b	c	708,136.
d	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a:		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 $		
(2)	Other (specify): $		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	0.
e	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	708,136.

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a	666,653.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990:		
(1)	Donated services and use of facilities $		
(2)	Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 $		
(3)	Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 $		
(4)	Other (specify): $		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	0.
c	Line a minus line b	c	666,653.
d	Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a:		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 $		
(2)	Other (specify): $		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	0.
e	Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	666,653.

Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each one even if not compensated.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 6		65,596.	22,065.	0.

75 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than $100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than $10,000 was provided by the related organizations? If "Yes," attach schedule. ▶ ☐ Yes ☒ No

Part VI Other Information

			Yes	No
76	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	76		X
77	Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.	77		X
78 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	78a		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year? N/A	78b		
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79		X
80 a	Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?	80a		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the organization ▶ ______ and check whether it is ☐ exempt **or** ☐ nonexempt.			
81 a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures. See line 81 instructions — 81a: 0.			
b	Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	81b		X
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?	82a		X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.) — 82b: N/A			
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	83a	X	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	83b	X	
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible? N/A	84a		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? N/A	84b		
85	*501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations.* **a** Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members? N/A	85a		
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of $2,000 or less? N/A	85b		
	If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, **do not** complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.			
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members — 85c: N/A			
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures — 85d: N/A			
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices — 85e: N/A			
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e) — 85f: N/A			
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? N/A	85g		
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? N/A	85h		
86	*501(c)(7) organizations.* Enter: **a** Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12 — 86a: N/A			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities — 86b: N/A			
87	*501(c)(12) organizations.* Enter: **a** Gross income from members or shareholders — 87a: N/A			
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) — 87b: N/A			
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX	88		X
89 a	*501(c)(3) organizations.* Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0. ; section 4912 ▶ 0. ; section 4955 ▶ 0.			
b	*501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.* Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction	89b		X
c	Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0.			
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0.			

90 a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2003 — 90b: 3

91 The books are in care of ▶ THE ORGANIZATION Telephone no. ▶ (202) 234-7265

Located at ▶ 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402, WASHINGTON, DC ZIP + 4 ▶ 20006

92 *Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of* **Form 1041**- Check here ▶ ☐
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 92: N/A

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See page 33 of the instructions.)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.	Unrelated business income (A) Business code	(B) Amount	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514 (C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	(E) Related or exempt function income
93 Program service revenue:					
a HYBRID CONTRACTS					360,809.
b					
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	1,288.	
96 Dividends and interest from securities			14	163.	
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	32.	
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue:					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		1,483.	360,809.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					362,292.

Note: *Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I.*

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See page 34 of the instructions.)

Line No. ▼	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
93A	INCOME RECEIVED FOR PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND RELATED TO THE ORGANIZATION'S EXEMPT PURPOSE.

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See page 34 of the instructions.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
	%			
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See page 34 of the instructions.)

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Note: *If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).*

Please Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Robert A. Freling — Signature of officer | 9/14/04 — Date | ROBERT A. FRELING, EXEC. DIR. — Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: [signature] | Date: 9/14/04 | Check if self-employed ☐ | Preparer's SSN or PTIN

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: RAFFA, P.C. 1899 L STREET, NW, SUITE 600 WASHINGTON, DC 20036 | EIN ▶ | Phone no. ▶ (202) 822-5000

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SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k), 501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)

▶ MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ

OMB No. 1545-0047

2003

Name of the organization: SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND

Employer identification number: 52 1701564

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than $50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over $50,000 ▶	0			

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than $50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
JEFFREY A LAHL 140 UWAPO ROAD, #55-205, KIHEI, HI, 96753	PROJECT CONSULTING	52,532.
Total number of others receiving over $50,000 for professional services ▶	0	

Part III **Statements About Activities** (See page 2 of the instructions.)

			Yes	No
1	During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ▶ $ ______ $ ______ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line **i** of Part VI-B.)	1		X
	Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes," must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.			
2	During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? *(If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)*			
a	Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?	2a		X
b	Lending of money or other extension of credit?	2b		X
c	Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?	2c		X
d	Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than $1,000)? SEE PART V, FORM 990	2d	X	
e	Transfer of any part of its income or assets?	2e		X
3 a	Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments.)	3a		X
b	Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	3b		X
4	Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?	4		X

Part IV **Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status** (See pages 3 through 6 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

5 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).

6 ☐ A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)

7 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).

8 ☐ A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).

9 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). **Enter the hospital's name, city, and state** ▶ ______

10 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

11a [X] An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

11b ☐ A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

12 ☐ An organization that normally receives: **(1) more than 33 1/3%** of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions - subject to certain exceptions, and **(2) no more than 33 1/3%** of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

13 ☐ An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: **(1)** lines 5 through 12 above; or **(2)** section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 5 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	**(b)** Line number from above

14 ☐ An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 6 of the instructions.)

Part IV-A **Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) **Use cash method of accounting.**
Note: *You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.*

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	225,746.	206,794.	325,557.	257,482.	1,015,579.
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	50,653.	29,785.	82.	35.	80,555.
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	7,510.	15,621.	7,357.	2,628.	33,116.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	283,909.	252,200.	332,996.	260,145.	1,129,250.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	233,256.	222,415.	332,914.	260,110.	1,048,695.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	2,839.	2,522.	3,330.	2,601.	

26 **Organizations described on lines 10 or 11:** **a** Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24 ▶ **26a** 20,974.

b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1999 through 2002 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. **Do not file this list with your return.** Enter the total of all these excess amounts ▶ **26b** 506,322.

c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e) ▶ **26c** 1,048,695.

d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 33,116. 19 ______ 22 ______ 26b 506,322. ▶ **26d** 539,438.

e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total) ▶ **26e** 509,257.

f **Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))** ▶ **26f** 48.5610 %

27 **Organizations described on line 12:** **a** For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." **Do not file this list with your return.** Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: N/A

(2002) ______ (2001) ______ (2000) ______ (1999) ______

b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the **larger** of **(1)** the amount on line 25 for the year or **(2)** $5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) **Do not file this list with your return.** After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in **(1)** or **(2)**, enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: N/A

(2002) ______ (2001) ______ (2000) ______ (1999) ______

c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 ______ 16 ______ 17 ______ 20 ______ 21 ______ ▶ **27c** N/A

d Add: Line 27a total ______ and line 27b total ______ ▶ **27d** N/A

e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total) ▶ **27e** N/A

f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount on line 23, column (e) ▶ **27f** N/A

g **Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))** ▶ **27g** N/A %

h **Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))** ▶ **27h** N/A %

28 **Unusual Grants:** For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1999 through 2002, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. **Do not file this list with your return.** Do not include these grants in line 15.

NONE

Part V **Private School Questionnaire** (See page 7 of the instructions.) N/A
(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

			Yes	No
29	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	29		
30	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	30		
31	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves?	31		
	If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)			
32	Does the organization maintain the following:			
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	32a		
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b		
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	32c		
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?	32d		
	If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)			
33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:			
a	Students' rights or privileges?	33a		
b	Admissions policies?	33b		
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c		
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?	33d		
e	Educational policies?	33e		
f	Use of facilities?	33f		
g	Athletic programs?	33g		
h	Other extracurricular activities?	33h		
	If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)			
34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a		
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?	34b		
	If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.			
35	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation	35		

Part VI-A **Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities** (See page 9 of the instructions.) N/A

(To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

Check ▶ **a** ☐ if the organization belongs to an affiliated group. Check ▶ **b** ☐ if you checked "**a**" and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
		N/A	
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36		
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37		
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38		
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures	39		
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40		
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table -			
If the amount on line 40 is - / **The lobbying nontaxable amount is -**			
Not over $500,000 / 20% of the amount on line 40			
Over $500,000 but not over $1,000,000 / $100,000 plus 15% of the excess over $500,000			
Over $1,000,000 but not over $1,500,000 / $175,000 plus 10% of the excess over $1,000,000	41		
Over $1,500,000 but not over $17,000,000 / $225,000 plus 5% of the excess over $1,500,000			
Over $17,000,000 / $1,000,000			
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42		
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36. Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	43		
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38. Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	44		

Caution: *If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.*

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 11 of the instructions.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period N/A

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2003	(b) 2002	(c) 2001	(d) 2000	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					0.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					0.
47 Total lobbying expenditures					0.
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					0.
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					0.
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

Part VI-B **Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities**

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 12 of the instructions.)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:	Yes	No	Amount
a Volunteers		X	
b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines **c** through **h**.)		X	
c Media advertisements		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public		X	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements		X	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body		X	
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means		X	
i Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines **c** through **h**.)			0.

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See page 12 of the instructions.)

51 Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

		Line	Yes	No
a	Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:			
	(i) Cash	51a(i)		X
	(ii) Other assets	a(ii)		X
b	Other transactions:			
	(i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization	b(i)		X
	(ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	b(ii)		X
	(iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	b(iii)		X
	(iv) Reimbursement arrangements	b(iv)		X
	(v) Loans or loan guarantees	b(v)		X
	(vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	b(vi)		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	c		X

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received: N/A

(a) Line no.	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements

52 a Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ▶ ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule: N/A

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

Supplementary Information for line 1 of Form 990, 990-EZ, and 990-PF (see instructions)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2003

Name of organization	**Employer identification number**
SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND	52-1701564

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:	**Section:**
Form 990 or 990-EZ	[X] 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization
	[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
	[ ] 527 political organization
Form 990-PF	[ ] 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
	[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
	[ ] 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule.** (**Note:** *Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check box(es) for both the General Rule and a Special Rule-see instructions.)*

General Rule-

[ ] For organizations filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, $5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)

Special Rules-

[X] For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1)/170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of $5,000 or 2% of the amount on line 1 of these forms. (Complete Parts I and II.)

[ ] For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests of more than $1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. (Complete Parts I, II, and III.)

[ ] For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than $1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the Parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of $5,000 or more during the year.) .... ▶ $ ____________

Caution: *Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but they* **must** *check the box in the heading of their Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or on line 1 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).*

Name of organization	Employer identification number
SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND	52-1701564

Part I **Contributors** (See Specific Instructions.)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		$ 20,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2		$ 30,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3		$ 20,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4		$ 20,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5		$ 25,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6		$ 10,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

Name of organization	Employer identification number
SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND	52-1701564

Part I **Contributors** (See Specific Instructions.)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		$ 10,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
8		$ 15,860.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
9		$ 8,190.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
10		$ 39,498.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
11		$ 10,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
		$	Person [ ] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

FORM 990 GAIN (LOSS) FROM PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES STATEMENT 1

DESCRIPTION	GROSS SALES PRICE	COST OR OTHER BASIS	EXPENSE OF SALE	NET GAIN OR (LOSS)
INVESTMENTS	549.	517.	0.	32.
TO FORM 990, PART I, LINE 8	549.	517.	0.	32.

FORM 990 OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES STATEMENT 2

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CORRECTION DUE TO DIFFERENCE IN AUDITED FINANCIALS AND PRIOR YEAR TAX RETURN	<184.>
UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS	<195.>
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART I, LINE 20	<379.>

FORM 990 OTHER EXPENSES STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
GOODS PURCHASED U.S., SHIPPED OVERSEAS	263,217.	263,217.	0.	0.
U.S. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS	68,680.	68,680.	0.	0.
GOODS PURCHASED OVERSEAS	62,710.	62,710.	0.	0.
FUNDS CONTRIBUTED TO OVERSEAS ORGANIZATIONS	12,568.	12,568.	0.	0.
PROMOTIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL	9,273.	4,892.	0.	4,381.
OVERSEAS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS	5,600.	5,600.	0.	0.
BANK AND FINANCE CHARGES	2,242.	538.	1,704.	0.
PLANNING EXPENSE	2,004.	2,004.	0.	0.
FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT EXPENSE	2,001.	2,001.	0.	0.
INSURANCE (D&O)	1,890.	0.	1,890.	0.

OTHER EXPENSES	852.	743.	1.	108.
LOSSES(GAINS), U.S. AND OVERSEAS	576.	576.	0.	0.
TAXES, LICENSES AND FEES	100.	0.	100.	0.
TOTAL TO FM 990, LN 43	431,713.	423,529.	3,695.	4,489.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE ONE

THE SOLAR ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND (SELF) PROMOTES, DEVELOPS, AND FACILITATES SOLAR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND ENERGY SELF SUFFICIENCY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. DURING 2003, SELF PROVIDED SOLAR POWER FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES IN NIGERIA, BHUTAN, AND TANZANIA FOR A VARIETY OF APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING WATER PUMPING, SCHOOLS, CLINICS, STREETLIGHTS, HOMES, COMMUNITY CENTERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES. COLLECTIVELY, SELF IMPACTED THE LIVES OF MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE THROUGH THESE PROJECTS.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE A		613,506.

FORM 990 NON-GOVERNMENT SECURITIES STATEMENT 5

SECURITY DESCRIPTION	CORPORATE STOCKS	CORPORATE BONDS	OTHER PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	OTHER SECURITIES	TOTAL NON-GOV'T SECURITIES
STOCKS	3,775.				3,775.
TO 990, LN 54 COL B	3,775.				3,775.

FORM 990 PART V - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES STATEMENT 6

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN-SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
ROBERT FRELING 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 40 HOURS/WEEK	65,596.	22,065.	0.
STEVEN SWIG 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	SECRETARY/TREASURER 5+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
PAUL DEAN MAYCOCK 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	CHAIRMAN 5+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
THE HON. ROGER BALLENTINE 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
ED BEGLEY, JR. 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
JOHN PAUL DEJORIA 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
FREEMAN J. DYSON 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
LARRY HAGMAN 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
MARY GREEN SWIG 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
H. PERRY TAUBMAN 1612 K STREET, NW, SUITE 402 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	DIRECTOR 2+ HOURS/WEEK	0.	0.	0.
TOTALS INCLUDED ON FORM 990, PART V		65,596.	22,065.	0.

Solar Electric Light Fund
Form 990, Part II, Line 42 - Depreciation
Form 990, Part IV, Line 57 - Land, Buildings, and Equipment
Year Ended December 31, 2003 **52-1701564**

ASSETS

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Disposals	End of Year
Equipment	$ 39,109	$ -	$ (3,348)	$ 35,761
Furniture	11,490	-	(424)	11,066
Software	635	-	-	635
Total	$ 51,234	$ -	$ (3,772)	$ 47,462

ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

	Beginning of Year	Current Year Depreciation	Disposals	End of Year
Accumulated Depreciation	$ 36,864	$ 4,599	$ (3,424)	$ 38,039
Total	$ 36,864	$ 4,599	$ (3,424)	$ 38,039

Note: Furniture and equipment are stated at cost and are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets of three to seven years.

Solar Electric Light Fund
Federal Form 990, Part III – Statement of Program Accomplishments
Year Ended December 31, 2003

52-1701564

Statement of primary exempt purpose -

a) To raise funds both for its global operations and the application of solar-electric (photovoltaic, or PV) hardware worldwide.

b) To coordinate and facilitate the installation of household and village-scale photovoltaic electric systems funded directly by corporations, foundations, international aid agencies, private voluntary organizations, development banks and governments.

c) To bring cost-competitive and environmentally benign photovoltaic technology, which converts sunlight into electricity, to householders and villagers in developing countries and elsewhere, and to provide people unconnected to a national utility grid with low-cost electricity.

d) To promote environmentally sound, sustainable development and demonstrate the advantages of decentralized solar-electric renewable energy as an alternative to central oil and coal power plants that further threaten the biosphere and contribute to global warming.

e) To promote energy self-reliance as people lease or purchase their own solar generators from co-ops or government agencies, thereby underwriting a method of commercial or public financing through international joint-venture programs.

f) To promote self-determination, as electric lighting allows children to read in the evening and electronic information accessed via solar-powered television and radio, means a better educated citizenry.

g) To foster increased use and reliance on solar photovoltaic modules, long-life rechargeable storage batteries and other solar electric components by the worldwide photovoltaic industry and to assist in helping to lower the cost of solar energy.

h) To engage in public education on domestic and worldwide energy issues and to disseminate public information regarding new and renewable sources of energy, including solar electric technologies.

i) To promote economic development in rural areas through the utilization of income-generating applications of solar energy.

j) To facilitate interactive links between rural areas and the outside world through solar-powered wireless communications technology.