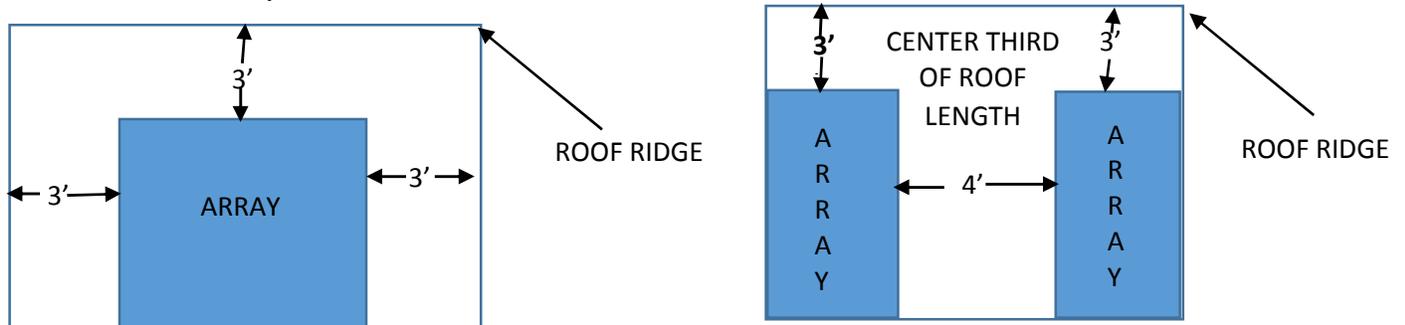
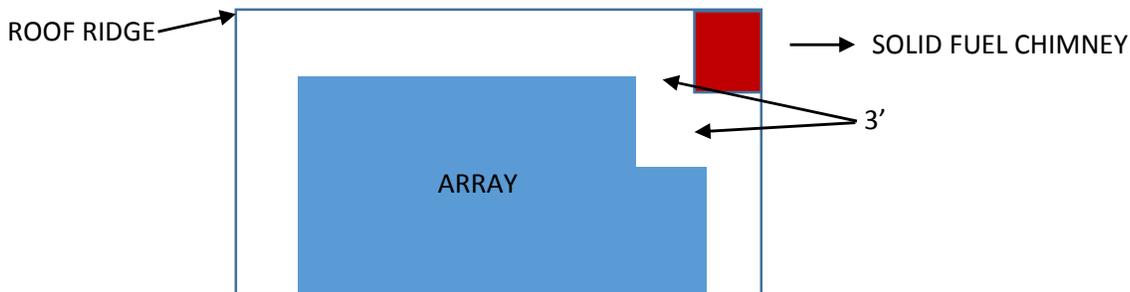


## 2015 CHANGES TO RESIDENTIAL SOLAR INSTALLATIONS IN BALTIMORE COUNTY

1. Where a single 4 feet wide clear pathway is installed in the center third of the roof length and is not located over a window or door opening and with no overhead obstructions such as tree limbs, wires or signs, the single pathway shall be allowed in lieu of two required 3' pathways on each end of the array.



2. **Chimney access.** A minimum of 3 feet clear space shall be provided around all solid fuel burning chimneys for emergency access (coal, wood, pellets). Chimneys used for gas or oil venting are considered to be vents and may be in the pathway.



3. **Allowance for wiring to cross pathways.** All wiring shall be allowed to cross pathways and shall be designed to take the shortest path from the array to the DC combiner box, be clearly identified, and be protected in rigid metal conduits, schedule 80 PVC, or EMT. All raceways must be kept as close as possible to the roof surface so as not to present a tripping hazard while still

permitting water to flow underneath the raceway. Chimney vents and plumbing vents within a pathway will not affect a measurement of setback.

4. Where there is more than one pathway on a roof surface, only one of the roof access points must be in a location where fire department ladders are not required to be placed over building openings such as windows or doors.

Where there is a single pathway in the center third of the roof length, the access point shall not be located over a roof or door opening.

Whether single or multiple pathways, the access point must be free of obstructions such as tree limbs, wires, or signs.

