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Notice of Board Meeting

Date:

March 18, 2021

To:

John Jennings Robert Aliasso

W. Edward Walldroff

Paul Warneck William Johnson Lisa L'Huillier

From:

Chairman David Converse

Re:

Notice of Board of Directors' Meeting

The Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency will hold their Board Meeting on **Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.** in the board room at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY.

Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355250468?pwd=R0t4VjRPdGJBZDJrL2JQYVVjKytDdz09

Meeting ID: 843 5525 0468

Passcode: 011440

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The live stream link will be available at www.jcida.com.

Please confirm your attendance with Peggy Sampson <u>pssampson@jcida.com</u> at your earliest convenience.

pss

c:

David Zembiec, CEO

Marshall Weir

Lyle Eaton

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Kent Burto

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REVISED BOARD MEETING AGENDA Thursday, April 1, 2021 - 8:30 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Privilege of the Floor
- IV. Minutes March 4, 2021
- V. Treasurer's Report March 31, 2021
- VI. Committee Reports
 - a. Loan Review Committee
- VII. Unfinished Business
 - 1. 146 Arsenal Street Building
 - 2. YMCA Project
 - a. Consider Resolution No. 04.01.2021.01 to lease certain additional property to the Watertown Family YMCA
 - 3. NYS REDI Program
 - 4. Draft UTEP

VIII. New Business

IX. Counsel

Attorney Moses:

Butterville Road Solar, LLC

- 1. Consider Environmental Resolution No. 04.01.2021.02
- 2. Consider Preliminary Inducement Resolution No. 04.01.2021.03
- 3. Consider Preliminary Agreement

LeRay Jackson Solar, LLC

- 1. Consider Environmental Resolution No. 04.01.2021.04
- 2. Consider Preliminary Inducement Resolution No. 04.01.2021.05
- 3. Consider Preliminary Agreement

Pamelia Solar, LLC

- 1. Consider Environmental Resolution No. 04.01.2021.06
- 2. Consider Preliminary Inducement Resolution No. 04.01.2021.07
- 3. Consider Preliminary Agreement

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REVISED BOARD MEETING AGENDA Thursday, April 1, 2021 - 8:30 a.m.

Waddingham Road Solar, LLC

- 1. Consider Environmental Resolution No. 04.01.2021.08
- 2. Consider Preliminary Inducement Resolution No. 04.01.2021.09
- 3. Consider Preliminary Agreement
- X. Adjournment

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency Board Meeting Minutes March 4, 2021



The Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency held their board meeting on Thursday, March 4, 2021 in the board room at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY and virtually via zoom.

Present: David Converse, Chair, W. Edward Walldroff

Zoom: Paul Warneck, William Johnson, Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., Lisa L'Huillier, John Jennings

Excused: None

Absent: None

Also Present -

Zoom: Matthew Moses, Esq., Rob Aiken, Christine Powers, John Pirsos from 7News, Thomas Iorizzo

Staff Present: David Zembiec, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Marshall Weir

I. Call to Order: Chairman Converse called the meeting to order at 8:49 a.m.

II. Privilege of the Floor: Mr. Converse invited guests to speak. No one spoke.

- III. Minutes: Minutes of the regular meeting held February 11, 2021 and special meeting held February 18, 2021 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Aliasso, seconded by Mr. Walldroff. All in favor. Carried.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: Mr. Aliasso reviewed the financials for the period ending February 28, 2021. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to accept the financial report as presented, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. Carried.

V. Committee Reports:

a. Loan Review Committee – Mr. Aliasso said the committee held a joint meeting with the JCLDC Alternative Energy Committee. He said they discussed the current UTEP and the possibility of revising it to include alternative energy or creating a separate UTEP.

REDI Program – Mr. Converse said the committee recommended lowering the interest rate from 5% to 3% for those seeking financing for the local match for their REDI grants. A motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Jennings. All in favor. Carried.

VI. Unfinished Business:

1. 146 Arsenal Street Building, 2. YMCA Project, 3. NYS REDI Program

Mr. Converse said these three items were already discussed during the JCLDC board meeting earlier today.

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VII. New Business:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.01 to authorize application to USDA's Rural Business
Development Grant Program to assist in the construction of a solar panel
manufacturing facility in Jefferson County – A motion was made by Mr. Walldroff to
approve the attached resolution, seconded by Mr. Aliasso. All in favor. Carried.

VIII. Counsel:

Attorney Miller:

Project Authorizing Resolution No. 03.04.2021.02 for Roth Industries, Inc. – Mr.
 Zembiec indicated that Attorney Miller was not in attendance today, but could call in if
 necessary. A motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to approve the attached resolution, seconded
 by Mr. Warneck. Roll call was taken. Mr. Aliasso – Yea, Mr. Converse – Yea, Mr. Jennings
 – Yea, Mr. Johnson – Yea, Ms. L'Huillier – Yea, Mr. Walldroff – Yea, Mr. Warneck – Yea.
 Carried.

Attorney Moses:

Attorney Moses said that the tax exemption resolutions for the US Light projects declare that the IDA views the project as being compliant with the UTEP while the authorizing resolutions authorize financial assistance for each of the projects. He said the projects are scheduled to close mid to late March.

NY USLE Carthage SR26 A LLC

- 1. Tax Exemption Resolution No. 03.04.2021.03 A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the attached resolution, seconded by Ms. L'Huillier. Roll call was taken. Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Jennings Yea, Mr. Aliasso Yea, Mr. Walldroff Yea, Mr. Warneck Yea, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea. Carried.
- 2. Authorizing Resolution No. 03.04.2021.04 A motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to approve the attached resolution, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll call was taken. Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Jennings Yea, Mr. Aliasso Yea, Mr. Walldroff Yea, Mr. Warneck Yea, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea. Carried.

NY USLE Carthage SR26 B LLC

Tax Exemption Resolution No. 03.04.2021.05 – A motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to approve the attached resolution, seconded by Mr. Warneck. Roll call was taken. Mr. Converse – Yea, Mr. Jennings – Yea, Mr. Aliasso – Yea, Mr. Walldroff – Yea, Mr. Warneck – Yea, Mr. Johnson – Yea, Ms. L'Huillier – Yea. Carried.

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Authorizing Resolution No. 03.04.2021.06 – A motion was made by Mr. Johnson to approve the attached resolution, seconded by Mr. Jennings. Roll call was taken. Mr. Converse – Yea, Mr. Jennings – Yea, Mr. Aliasso – Yea, Mr. Walldroff – Yea, Mr. Warneck – Yea, Mr. Johnson – Yea, Ms. L'Huillier – Yea. Carried.

Executive Session – At 9:06 a.m. a motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to enter an executive session to discuss possible litigation, seconded by Mr. Walldroff. All in favor. Carried. Board Members, JCLDC Board Members and Staff remained.

At 9:52 a.m. a motion was made by Mr. Warneck to leave executive session, seconded by Mr. Aliasso. All in favor. Carried.

IX. Adjournment: With no further business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Aliasso, seconded by Mr. Warneck. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Sampson

Resolution Number 03.04.2021.01

Authorization to apply for Rural Business Development Grant to Assist in the Construction of a Solar Panel Manufacturing Facility in Jefferson County

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (JCIDA) seeks to support the construction of a solar panel manufacturing facility on property owned by the JCIDA and known as The Business Complex at Watertown International; and

WHEREAS, that facility would be located in the Town of Hounsfield, NY, a town with a population under 50,000 people and thereby recognized by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development as a qualifying rural area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed manufacturing facility would create a significant number of jobs benefiting the town and surrounding rural region; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the JCIDA apply to the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Business Development Grant Program for an amount not to exceed \$500,000, and that these funds be used as working capital to develop the project, including professional services, equipment purchases, and/or construction costs; and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive Officer or his designee take all necessary action on behalf of the Agency in filing and completing an application for the aforementioned grant and such other actions as he may deem necessary.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

W. Edward Walldroff, Secretary

PROJECT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

(Roth Industries Inc. Project)

A regular meeting of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency was convened on Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded, to wit:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.02

RESOLUTION OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY **INDUSTRIAL** DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (i) APPOINTING ROTH INDUSTRIES INC., FOR ITSELF AND/OR ON BEHALF OF AN ENTITY OR ENTITIES TO BE FORMED (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY") AS ITS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE A CERTAIN PROJECT (AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW); (ii) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGENT AGREEMENT, LEASE AGREEMENT, LEASEBACK AGREEMENT, PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT; (iii) AUTHORIZING THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY (AS FURTHER DEFINED HEREIN); (iv) ADOPTING FINDINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT ("SEQRA"); AND (v) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT.

WHEREAS, by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Chapter 369 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New York, (the "Act"), the JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (the "Agency") was created with the authority and power to promote, develop, encourage and assist in acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research, and recreational facilities as authorized by the Act, and in connection therewith to issue its revenue bonds, and/or enter into straight lease transactions and provide other forms of financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Agency previously undertook a certain project (the "2005 Project") for the benefit of ROTH INDUSTRIES, INC. (hereinafter, the "Company") consisting of (i) the acquisition of fee title to an approximately 9 acre parcel of real property located at 268 Bellew Avenue South, Watertown, New York (the "Land", being more particularly identified as Tax Parcel No. 9-43-105.000) and the existing improvements located thereon comprised of approximately 20,000 square feet of space (the "2005 Existing Improvements"), (ii) the planning, design, engineering and construction of an approximately 10,000 square foot addition to the 2005 Existing Improvements to house additional manufacturing space to be operated by the Company (the "2005 Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Land, 2005 Existing improvements 2005 Improvements of certain machinery, equipment and other items of tangible personal property (the "2005 Equipment"; and, together with the Land, 2005 Existing Improvements and the 2005 Improvements, the "2005 Facility"); (iv) the issuance

by the Agency of its Industrial Development Revenue Bond (Roth Industries, Inc. Project), Series 2005A in the principal amount of \$5,053,750 and Industrial Development Revenue Bond (Roth Industries, Inc. Project), Series 2005B in the principal amount of \$937,500; and (v) the sale of the 2005 Facility to the Company pursuant to the terms of a certain Installment Sale Agreement (the "2005 ISA"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with a certain Project Authorizing Resolution adopted by the Agency on June 2, 2016 (the "2016 Project Authorizing Resolution"), the Agency previously undertook a certain project (the "2016 Project") for the benefit of the Company consisting of (i) the planning, design and construction of an approximately 27,500 square foot addition to the 2005 Facility (the "2016 Improvements") located on the Land for expanded manufacturing and warehousing operations by the Company; (ii) the acquisition and installation in and around the 2005 Facility and 2016 Improvements of certain machinery, equipment and other items of tangible personal property (the "2016 Equipment"; and, together with portions of the Land and the 2016 Improvements, the "2016 Facility"); and (iii) the undertaking of a straight-lease transaction in accordance with the Act whereby the Agency and Company entered into certain project documents (the "2016 Project Documents", each dated as of November 18, 2016, including (a) a Lease to Agency (the "Company Lease"), (b) a Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), (c) a Payment-in-lieu-of-Tax Agreement (the "PILOT Agreement"), and (d) related documents, all relating to certain defined portion of the Land, which has been identified as Tax Parcel No. 9-43-105.700, and hereinafter the "2016 Facility Land"); and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted an application to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition or retention by the Agency of a leasehold interest or other interest in all or a portion of the Land; (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of (A) an approximately 6,700 square foot addition to house a certain blow molding machine and related equipment and (B) a 10,000 square foot storage warehouse facility (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and the Improvements by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility") and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction"); and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2021, the Agency adopted an initial resolution (the "Initial Project Resolution") which (i) accepted the Company's application, (ii) authorized the scheduling and conduct of a public hearing in compliance with the Act, (iii) described the contemplated forms of financial assistance to be provided by the Agency (the "Financial Assistance", as described herein); and (iv) authorized the negotiation of an Agent and Financial Assistance and Project Agreement (the "Agent Agreement"), Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), Leaseback Agreement (the "Leaseback Agreement") and Payment-in-lieu-of-Tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") to be entered into with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Initial Project Resolution, the Agency published and forwarded a Notice of Public Hearing to the City of Watertown (the "City"), the County of

Jefferson (the "County"), and the Watertown City School District (the "School", and together with the City and County, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions) at least ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency held a public hearing on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, New York with respect to the Project (the "Public Hearing") and the proposed Financial Assistance (as further defined herein) being contemplated by the Agency whereat interested parties were provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views, a copy of the minutes of the Public Hearing also being attached hereto within **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Watertown (the "City Council") reviewed the proposed Project pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, as codified under Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and Regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State (collectively, "SEQRA") and related Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"), attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the Agency desires to authorize (i) the appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency to undertake the Project; (ii) the execution and delivery of the Agent Agreement, Lease Agreement, the Leaseback Agreement, the PILOT Agreement, and related documents; (iii) the provision of the Financial Assistance to the Company, which shall include (a) an exemption from all state and local sales and use taxes with respect to the qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the construction and equipping of the Facility, (b) a mortgage recording tax exemption for financings undertaken to construct the Facility; and (c) a partial real property tax abatement through the execution of an agreement with the Agency regarding payments in lieu of real property taxes to be made for the benefit of the Affected Tax Jurisdictions; and (iv) the review and ratification of findings pursuant to SEQRA in connection with the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE WAYNE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application, the Agency hereby finds and determines that:

- (A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act; and
- (B) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to (i) acquire title to or other interest in the Land, the Existing Improvements, Improvements and the Equipment constituting the Facility, (ii) lease or sell the Agency's interest in the Land, Existing Improvements, Improvements and Equipment constituting the Facility to the Company pursuant to a lease agreement or sale agreement, and (iii) enter into a Straight Lease Transaction with the Company; and

- (C) The action to be taken by the Agency will induce the Company to undertake the Project, thereby increasing employment opportunities in the City of Watertown, which is located within Jefferson County, New York, and otherwise furthering the purposes of the Agency as set forth in the Act; and
- (D) The Project will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project located within the State; and the Agency hereby finds that, based on the Company's Application, to the extent occupants are relocating from one plant or facility to another, the Project is reasonably necessary to discourage the Project occupants from removing such other facility or plant to a location outside the State and/or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Project occupants in their respective industries; and
- (E) Based upon a review of the Application and the EAF submitted to the Agency, the Agency hereby:
 - (i) consents to and affirms the status of the City Council as Lead Agency for review of the Facility, within the meaning of, and for all purposes of complying with SEQRA; and
 - (ii) ratifies the proceedings undertaken by the City Council under SEQRA with respect to the construction and equipping of the Facility pursuant to SEQRA; and
 - (iii) finds that the Project involves an "unlisted action" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA). The Agency's review is "uncoordinated" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA). Based upon the review by the Agency of the EAF and related documents delivered by the Company to the Agency and other representations made by the Company to the Agency in connection with the Project, the Agency hereby finds that (a) the Project will result in no major impacts and, therefore, is one which may not cause significant damage to the environment; (b) the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA); and (c) no "environmental impact statement" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA) need be prepared for this action. This determination constitutes a "negative declaration" (as such quoted terms are defined under SEQRA) for purposes of SEQRA.
- Section 2. Subject to (i) the Company executing the Agent Agreement and/or Leaseback Agreement, and (ii) the delivery to the Agency of a binder, certificate or other evidence of liability insurance policy for the Project satisfactory to the Agency, the Agency hereby authorizes the Company to proceed with the acquisition, renovation, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and equipping of the Project and hereby appoints the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency: (i) to acquire, construct and equip the Project; (ii) to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency with the authority to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, and subcontractors of such agents and

subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses; and (iii) in general, to do all things which may be requisite or proper for completing the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity that the Agency could do if acting in its own behalf; provided, however, the Agent Agreement shall expire on April 30, 2022 (unless extended for good cause by the Executive Director of the Agency).

Section 3. Based upon the representation and warranties made by the Company the Application, the Agency hereby authorizes and approves the Company, as its agent, to make purchases of goods and services relating to the Project and that would otherwise be subject to New York State and local sales and use tax in an amount up to approximately \$784,000.00, which result in New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") not to exceed \$62,720.00. The Agency agrees to consider any requests by the Company for increase to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services, and, to the extent required, the Agency authorizes and conducts any supplemental public hearing(s).

Pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act, the Agency may recover or Section 4. recapture from the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, any sales and use tax exemption benefits taken or purported to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, if it is determined that: (i) the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, is not entitled to the sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project; (iii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; (iv) the Company has made a material false statement on its application for financial assistance; (v) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are taken in cases where the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project; and/or (vi) the Company obtains mortgage recording tax benefits and/or real property tax abatements and fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, items (i) through (vi) hereby defined as a "Recapture Event").

As a condition precedent of receiving sales and use tax exemption benefits and real property tax abatement benefits, the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, must (i) if a Recapture Event determination is made by the Agency, cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any sales and use tax exemption benefits, mortgage recording tax benefits and/or real property tax abatements abatement benefits, and (ii) promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands, if and as so required to be paid over as determined by the Agency.

Section 5. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Executive Director (or Deputy Executive Director) of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agent Agreement, Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement, PILOT Agreement, PILOT Mortgage, and related documents with such changes as shall be approved by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, the Executive Director and counsel to the Agency upon execution. The Agency hereby further authorizes the execution and delivery of all documents and agreements necessary to effectuate the termination of the 2005 ISA and related documents associated with the 2005 Project, including a deed, termination agreements and related documents and forms.

The Chairman (or Vice Chairman), Executive Director (or Deputy Section 6. Executive Director) of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver any mortgage, assignment of leases and rents, security agreement, UCC-1 Financing Statements and all documents reasonably contemplated by these resolutions or required by any lender identified by the Company (the "Lender") up to a maximum principal amount necessary to undertake the Project, acquire the Facility and/or finance or refinance equipment and other personal property and related transactional costs (hereinafter with the Straight Lease Documents, the "Agency Documents"); and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency to the Agency Documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the Chairman (or Vice Chairman), Executive Director (or Deputy Executive Director) of the Agency shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman (or Vice Chairman), Executive Director (or Deputy Executive Director) of the Agency to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval; provided, that, in all events, recourse against the Agency is limited to the Agency's interest in the Project.

Section 7. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Agency.

Section 8. These Resolutions shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolutions was duly put to vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	X			
David J. Converse	X			
John Jennings	X			
William W. Johnson	X			
Lisa L'Huillier	X			
W. Edward Walldroff	X			
Paul J. Warneck	X			

The resolutions were thereupon duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss:

I, the undersigned (Acting) Secretary of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Wayne County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") including the resolution contained therein, held on March 4, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of such resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Agency had due notice of said meeting, that the meeting was in all respects duly held and that, pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public, and that public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with Article 7.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that as of the date hereof, the attached resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or modified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Agency this 4th

day of march, 2021.

(Acting) Secretary

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EXHIBIT A PUBLIC HEARING MATERIALS



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

February 12, 2021

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

To:

The Chief Executive Officers of

Affected Tax Jurisdictions on Schedule A

Re:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency

Roth Industries, Inc. Project

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please note that on February 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., local time, at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY, the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") will conduct a public hearing regarding the above-referenced project. Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing describing the Project and the financial assistance contemplated by the Agency. The Notice has been submitted to the Watertown Daily Times for publication.

You are welcome to attend such hearing at which time you will have an opportunity to review the project application and present your views, both orally and in writing, with respect to the project. We are providing this notice to you, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 859-(a), as the chief executive officer of an affected tax jurisdiction within which the project is located.

PLEASE NOTE that the Agency has established special hearing logistics and instructions as noted within the enclosed Notice. Given the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis and related Executive Orders issued by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and local distancing restrictions at City facilities, the Agency will have limited accommodations for in-person public attendance or participation at this hearing for ten (10) or less individuals at the same time. In addition to this limited capacity gathering, and in furtherance of the provisions of Section 859-a of the Act requiring interested parties be provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views with respect to the Project, the Agency will also conduct a concurrent virtual public hearing via live audio broadcast

Very truly yours,

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Schedule A Affected Tax Jurisdiction Officials

Jefferson County, New York	Jefferson County, New York
Attn: Scott A. Gray, Chairman County Legislature 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601	Attn: Robert F. Hagemann, III County Administrator 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601
Watertown City School District	Watertown City School District
Attn: Maria T. Mesires, BOE Chair 1351 Washington Street, P.O. Box 586 Watertown, New York 13601	Attn: Patricia LaBarr, Superintendent 1351 Washington Street, P.O. Box 586 Watertown, New York 13601
City of Watertown, New York Attn: Jeffrey M. Smith, Mayor City Hall 245 Washington St., Rm. 302A Watertown, New York 13601	City of Watertown, New York Attn: Kenneth Mix, City Manager City Hall 245 Washington St., Rm. 302 Watertown, New York 13601

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law (the "Act") will be held by the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 24th day of February, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., local time, at JCIDA, 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY in connection with the matter described below. PLEASE NOTE the special hearing logistics and instructions included at the end of this notice.

The Agency previously undertook a certain project (the "2005 Project") for the benefit of ROTH INDUSTRIES, INC. (hereinafter, the "Company") consisting of (i) the acquisition of fee title to an approximately 9 acre parcel of real property located at 268 Bellew Avenue South, Watertown, New York (the "Land", being more particularly identified as Tax Parcel No. 9-43-105.000) and the existing improvements located thereon comprised of approximately 20,000 square feet of space (the "2005 Existing Improvements"), (ii) the planning, design, engineering and construction of an approximately 10,000 square foot addition to the 2005 Existing Improvements to house additional manufacturing space to be operated by the Company (the "2005 Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Land, 2005 Existing improvements 2005 Improvements of certain machinery, equipment and other items of tangible personal property (the "2005 Equipment"; and, together with the Land, 2005 Existing Improvements and the 2005 Improvements, the "2005 Facility"); (iv) the issuance by the Agency of its Industrial Development Revenue Bond (Roth Industries, Inc. Project), Series 2005A in the principal amount of \$5,053,750 and Industrial Development Revenue Bond (Roth Industries, Inc. Project), Series 2005B in the principal amount of \$937,500; and (v) the sale of the 2005 Facility to the Company pursuant to the terms of a certain Installment Sale Agreement (the "2005 ISA").

Pursuant to and in accordance with a certain Project Authorizing Resolution adopted by the Agency on June 2, 2016 (the "2016 Project Authorizing Resolution"), the Agency previously undertook a certain project (the "2016 Project") for the benefit of the Company consisting of (i) the planning, design and construction of an approximately 27,500 square foot addition to the 2005 Facility (the "2016 Improvements") located on the Land for expanded manufacturing and warehousing operations by the Company; (ii) the acquisition and installation in and around the 2005 Facility and 2016 Improvements of certain machinery, equipment and other items of tangible personal property (the "2016 Equipment"; and, together with portions of the Land and the 2016 Improvements, the "2016 Facility"); and (iii) the undertaking of a straight-lease transaction in accordance with the Act whereby the Agency and Company entered into certain project documents (the "2016 Project Documents", each dated as of November 18, 2016, including (a) a Lease to Agency (the "Company Lease"), (b) a Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), (c) a Payment-in-lieu-of-Tax Agreement (the "PILOT Agreement"), and (d) related documents, all relating to certain defined portion of the Land, which has been identified as Tax Parcel No. 9-43-105.700, and hereinafter the "2016 Facility Land").

The Company has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition or retention by the Agency of a leasehold interest or other interest in a portion of the Land; (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of (A) an approximately 6,700 square foot addition to house a certain blow molding machine and related equipment and (B) a 10,000 square foot

storage warehouse facility (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and the Improvements by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility") and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction").

The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance to the Company with respect to the Project (collectively, the "Financial Assistance") in the form of: (A) an exemption from all State and local sales and use taxes with respect to qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the acquisition, construction or equipping of the Facility; (B) mortgage recording tax exemption(s) relating to financings undertaken by the Company in furtherance of the Project; and (C) a partial real property tax abatement provided through a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement ("PILOT Agreement").

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCT INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

In accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, a representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated time and place to present a copy of the Company's Project Application (including a cost-benefit analysis), which is also available for viewing on the Agency's website at: Jefferson County, NY Economic Development - Jefferson County IDA (jcida.com). However, given the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis and related Executive Orders issued by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and local distancing restrictions at municipal facilities, the Agency will have limited accommodations for in-person public attendance or participation at this hearing for ten (10) or less individuals at the same time. In addition to this limited capacity gathering, and in furtherance of the provisions of Section 859-a of the Act requiring interested parties be provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views with respect to the Project, the Agency will also conduct a concurrent virtual public hearing via live audio broadcast at Jefferson County New York Economic Development - YouTube. Any individuals seeking to participate and provide comment will also be provided with a video conference link at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355250468?pwd=R0t4VjRPdGJBZDJrL2JQYVVjKytDdz09 Meeting ID: 843 5525 0468, Password: 011440, 1-929-205-6099 US (New York). Finally, the Agency also encourages all interested parties to submit written comments to the Agency, which will all be included within the public hearing record, which can be submitted to David Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer, Jefferson County IDA, 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, New York 13601 and/or dzembiec@jcida.com.

DATED: February 13, 2021 JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency Public Hearing Minutes February 24, 2021

The Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency held a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 24, 2021, at its offices located on 800 Starbuck Ave, Watertown, New York, and virtually via Zoom (per guidance from Governor Andrew M. Cuomo during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic) for Roth Industries Inc. for a PILOT/Straight Lease transaction for their expansion project.

Present: David Zembiec, JCIDA CEO; Peggy Sampson, Executive Assistant; Marshall Weir, Deputy CEO; John Pezzi, Roth VP of Operations

Mr. Zembiec opened the hearing at 9:00 a.m. and read the public hearing notice and public hearing rules.

Mr. Zembiec asked for public comment. No one spoke during the public hearing.

At 9:03 a.m., Mr. Zembiec closed the hearing.

Project Information:

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David Zembreo
David Zembiec
Hearing Officer

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<u>EXHIBIT B</u> SEQRA MATERIALS

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

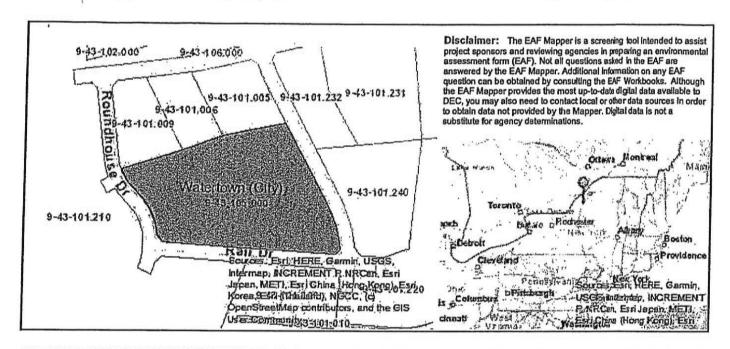
Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information	1		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Project: Expansion Project Sponsor: Roth In	dustries, Inc		
Name of Action or Project:			
Expansion Project			
Project Location (describe, and attach a loca	tion map):		
268 Bellew Ave South, Watertown, NY			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
The project consists of two building additions totaling 10,400 SF storage building with covered loading do storage area and southwestern entrance drive to according a storage building, chain link fence reconfigentiating utilities located along the east side of Rounding the east	ck at the southwest comer of the proper commodate the building additions and learning and drains	ty. Site improvements include	reconfiguration of the asphal
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:		Telephone: 888-266-768	34
Roth Industries, Inc			.com
Address:			
268 Bellew Ave South			
City/PO:		State:	Zip Code:
Vatertown 1. Does the proposed action only involve the		NY	13601
 Does the proposed action only involve the administrative rule, or regulation? 	e legislative adoption of a plan, loca	il law, ordinance,	NO YES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the interior	ent of the proposed action and the e	nvironmental resources the	at 🗸 🗆
may be affected in the municipality and proce			
Does the proposed action require a permit if Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or appre	, approval or funding from any other	er government Agency?	NO YES
a ves, not agency (e) name and permit of appro-	Jyat.		
a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed	action?	8.86 acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed	?	0.81 acres	
 Total acreage (project site and any conti or controlled by the applicant or proje 	ct sponsor?	8.86 acres	
. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoi	ning or near the proposed action:		W
Urban Rural (non-agriculture)	☑ Industrial ☐ Commercia	l Residential (suburl	oan)
☐ Forest ☐ Agriculture	Aquatic Other(Spec	are a	Ð
☐ Parkland		~ J /·	

5.	Is	the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
٠	a.	A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		V	
	b.	Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	П		In
	_			NO	YES
6.	Is	the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?			V
7.	Is	the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If	res,	identify:		V	П
					YES
8.	a.	Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO V	TES
	b.	Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?		盲	V
	C.	Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?		V	
9.	Do	es the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If th	ie pr	oposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:		_	
			_	Ш	V
10.	Wil	Il the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
		If No, describe method for providing potable water:			
Buildi u <u>tiliti</u> e		dditions will connect to existing interior water supply. The proposed storage building will not be connected to any wate	_	Ц	V
11.	Wil	I the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
		If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:	_	_	_
Bulldi utilitie		dditions will connect to existing interior plumbing. The proposed storage building will not be connected to any wastewa	ter	Ш	V
12.	a. D	oes the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district		NO	YES
whice Com	h is miss	listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the sioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the gister of Historic Places?		√	
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archa	b. Is	s the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for ogical sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		П	V
13. 2	a. I	Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain ands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO	YES
ŧ). W	ould the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	-	<u></u>	듬
		entify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:	_ [Captali a
here	are w	vettands located within the City Center Industrial Park and adjacent lands, but not within the Roth owned Propoerty	_	?	
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14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply	y:	
Shoreline Forest Agricultural/grasslands Early mid-successional		
☐Wetland ☑ Urban ☐ Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or	NO	YES
Federal government as threatened or endangered? Indiana Bat, Northern Long		V
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
	V	
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	NO	YES
If Yes,		1
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	V	
 Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: 		V
tormwater runoff will be directed to one of two on-site stormwater basins prior to discharging into the City municipal storm system		
8. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water	NO	YES
or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? f Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:		
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9. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?	NO	YES
Yes, describe:		
	V	Ш
.Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or	NO	YES
mpleted) for hazardous waste? Yes, describe:		
	1	
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BI MY KNOWLEDGE	ST OF	
Applicant/sponsor/name: John C. Pezzi Date: 02/12/2020		
Signature: Title: Vice President Operations		

EAF Mapper Summary Report



Part 1 / Question 12a [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites] Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites] Yes Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies] Yes - Digital mapping information on local and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook. Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal] Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal] Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal] Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF		
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Endangered Animal - Name]		1.5.4.1
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain] Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF	100111000	name a
Workbook.	* * *	
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site] No		-

A	gency Use Only [If applicable]
Project	
Date:	

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	×	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?		
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	X	
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	×	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?		
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	Ø	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	\boxtimes	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	\boxtimes	
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?		
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?		
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	×	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	X	

Agency	Use Only [If applicable]
Project:	
Date:	

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information that the proposed action may result in one or more potential impact statement is required.	ormation and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, entially large or significant adverse impacts and an
that the proposed action will not result in any significant	ormation and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, adverse environmental impacts.
CITY OF WATERTOWN CITY COUNCIL	3/19/20
Name of Lead Agency JEFFREY M. SMITH	MA YOR
Print of Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

PRINT FORM

TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on March 4, 2021 at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

David Converse, John Jennings, Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., W. Edward

Walldroff, Paul Warneck, William Johnson, Lisa L'Huillier

ABSENT:

None

FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: David Zembiec, Marshall Weir, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Matthew Moses, Esq., Rob Aiken, Christine Powers, Thomas Iorizzo, and John Pirsos from 7News

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Warneck, seconded by Ms. L'Huillier, to wit:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.03

RESOLUTION DETERMINING CONFORMITY OF PLANNED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY FOR A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR NY USLE CARTHAGE SR26 A LLC (THE "COMPANY").

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and

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economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, install, and equip one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, installed, and equipped, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company submitted an application to the Agency on or about November 2, 2020 and subsequently amended same (as amended, the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Champion, to wit: tax parcel 76.00-2-42.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from sales and use taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity, and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

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WHEREAS, as one of those procedural requirements the Agency must evaluate and determine whether the proposed Financial Assistance would represent a deviation from its Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("UTEP"), taking into account both the payment in-lieu of tax ("PILOT") agreement's planned declining payment schedule and recognizing the County of Jefferson's request that the Agency not provide local share sales tax exemption benefit for community solar projects in a context where the UTEP makes reference to provision of full sales tax exemption benefit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has determined that the granting of the proposed Financial Assistance, taking into account the provisions of its UTEP and the County's request, would not represent a deviation from its UTEP.

<u>Section 2</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	YEA
John Jennings	VOTING	YEA
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	YEA
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	YEA
Paul Warneck	VOTING	YEA
William Johnson	VOTING	YEA
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	YEA

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:

I, the undersigned Secretary of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on March 4, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed, or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this $\frac{S7h}{2}$ day of March, 2021.

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David I. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

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The following resolution was offered by Mr. Aliasso, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to wit:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.04

RESOLUTION OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD A STRAIGHT-LEASE TRANSACTION WITH NY USLE CARTHAGE SR26 A LLC (THE "COMPANY") FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A SOLAR-POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY IN THE TOWN OF CHAMPION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities,

among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, install, and equip one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, installed, and equipped, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company submitted an application to the Agency on or about November 2, 2020 and subsequently amended same (as amended, the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Champion, to wit: tax parcel 76.00-2-42.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from sales and use taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity, and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the members of the

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Agency adopted a resolution on February 11, 2021 (the "Environmental Resolution") by which the Agency determined (A) that the Project constitutes an "Unlisted Action" pursuant to SEQRA, (B) that the Town of Champion Planning Board, acting as lead agency, conducted an uncoordinated review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA and issued negative declaration, determining that the Project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact, and that the members of the Agency reviewed the record of proceedings before the Town of Champion Planning Board and the full environmental assessment form and concurred with the Town of Champion Planning Board's determination, (C) that the Project will not have a "significant adverse impact on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA and, therefore, that no environmental impact statement need be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Preliminary Inducement Resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on February 11, 2021, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the Project and the contemplated Financial Assistance (the "Public Hearing") to be mailed on February 12, 2021 to the chief executive officers of the county, town and school district in which the Project is to be located, (B) caused notices of the Public Hearing to be published on February 13, 2021, in the Watertown Daily Times, a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the County of Jefferson, (C) conducted the Public Hearing virtually via Zoom on February 24, 2021 at 9:30 A.M., local time from the Agency offices located at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, New York, and (D) prepared a report of the Public Hearing which fairly summarized the views presented at said Public Hearing and distributed same to members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Tax Exemption Resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on March 4, 2021 (the "Tax Exemption Resolution"), the Agency determined that the granting of the proposed Financial Assistance, taking into account the provisions of the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("UTEP") and the County of Jefferson's request for indemnification by the Company of the local share of any sales and use taxes rendered exempt by the Financial Assistance, would not represent a deviation from its UTEP; and

WHEREAS, in order to consummate the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Agency proposes to enter into the following documents with the Company (collectively, the "Agency Documents"): (A) a certain company lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) by and between the Company, as landlord, and the Agency, as tenant, pursuant to which the Company will lease to the Agency the Project Facility (the "Company Lease"); (B) a certain bill of sale from the Company to the Agency pursuant to which the Agency will acquire an interest in machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility (the "Bill of Sale"); (C) a certain lease and project agreement (and a memorandum thereof) by and between the Agency, as sublessor, and the Company, as sublessee, pursuant to which the Agency will sublease the Project Facility and machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility back to the Company (the "Agency Lease"); (D) a certain agreement for payments in lieu of tax ("PILOT") by and between the Agency and the Company with respect to the Project Facility (the "PILOT Agreement"); and (E) various other documents and certificates relating to the Project (together with the Agency Documents, the "Closing Documents"); and

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WHEREAS, the Agency will file with the assessor and mail to the chief executive officers of each "affected tax jurisdiction" (within the meaning of such quoted term in Section 854(16) of the Act) a copy of a New York State Board of Real Property Services Form RP-412-a (the form required to be filed by the Agency in order for the Agency to obtain a real property tax exemption with respect to the Project Facility under Section 412-a of the Real Property Tax Law) relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Agency desires to adopt a resolution describing the Project and the Financial Assistance that the Agency is authorizing with respect to the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Agency, based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application, hereby finds and determines that:

- (A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act;
- (B) The Project constitutes a "project," as such term is defined in the Act;
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York;
- (D) The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another area in the State and will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of any occupant of the Project Facility located in the State;
- (E) The Project Facility does not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods and/or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project;
- (F) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project will promote the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the citizens of Jefferson County, New York and the State and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act;
- (G) The Agency has reviewed the Public Hearing Report and has fully considered all comments contained therein;

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- (H) The Agency has assessed all material information included in connection with the Application necessary to afford a reasonable basis for the decision by the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance for the Project as described herein;
- (I) The Agency has prepared a written cost-benefit analysis identifying the estimated value of any tax exemption to be provided, the amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Project, and the extent to which the Project will provide additional sources of revenue for municipalities and school districts, and any other public benefits that might occur as a result of the Project;
- (J) The Project should receive the contemplated Financial Assistance; and
- (K) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to enter into the Agency Documents.

Section 2. In consequence of the foregoing, the Agency hereby determines to and is hereby authorized to: (A) proceed with the Project; (B) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to the Company Lease; (C) acquire an interest in the machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project from the Company pursuant to the Bill of Sale; (D) acquire, construct, install, and equip the Project Facility, or cause the Project Facility to be acquired, installed, constructed, and equipped; (E) lease the Project Facility and machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to the Agency Lease, which the Agency further determines constitutes a "Project Agreement" within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 859-a; (F) grant to the Company the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project; (G) enter into a PILOT agreement containing payment amounts set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto, to be distributed to the affected tax jurisdictions in proportion to their respective shares of the combined tax rate as such shares may change from time to time over the term of the PILOT agreement; and (H) do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of the foregoing, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the foregoing are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Agency is hereby authorized to appoint, and hereby appoints, the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency to acquire, construct, install, and equip the Project Facility as described in the Agency Documents, and to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to such acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, with the assistance of Agency counsel, are authorized to negotiate and approve the form and substance of the Agency Documents.

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Section 5.

- (A) The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agency Documents, and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency thereto and to attest the same, all in the forms thereof as the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.
- (B) The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby further authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to designate any additional Authorized Representatives of the Agency (as defined in and pursuant to the Agency Lease).

Section 6. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required or provided for by the provisions of the Agency Documents, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing Resolution and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Agency Documents binding upon the Agency.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	YEA
John Jennings	VOTING	YEA
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	YEA
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	YEA
Paul Warneck	VOTING	YEA
William Johnson	VOTING	YEA
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	YEA

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:

I, the undersigned Secretary of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on March 4, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed, or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this Jth day of March, 2021.

David LZembiec, Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit A **PILOT Payments**

Year	PILOT Payment (\$)
1	36,285.67
2	35,574.18
3	34,876.65
4	34,192.79
5	33,522.35
6	32,865.05
7	32,220.63
8	31,588.86
9	30,969.47
10	30,362.22
11	29,766.88
12	29,183.22
13	28,611.00
14	28,050.00
15	27,500.00

TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on March 4, 2021 at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

David Converse, John Jennings, Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., W. Edward

Walldroff, Paul Warneck, William Johnson, Lisa L'Huillier

ABSENT:

None

FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: David Zembiec, Marshall Weir, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Matthew Moses, Esq., Rob Aiken, Christine Powers, Thomas Iorizzo, and John Pirsos from 7News

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Aliasso, seconded by Mr. Warneck, to wit:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.05

RESOLUTION DETERMINING CONFORMITY OF PLANNED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY FOR A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR NY USLE CARTHAGE SR26 B LLC (THE "COMPANY").

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and

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economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, install, and equip one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, installed, and equipped, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company submitted an application to the Agency on or about November 2, 2020 and subsequently amended same (as amended, the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Champion, to wit: tax parcel 76.00-2-42.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 3.3 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from sales and use taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity, and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

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WHEREAS, as one of those procedural requirements the Agency must evaluate and determine whether the proposed Financial Assistance would represent a deviation from its Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("UTEP"), taking into account both the payment in-lieu of tax ("PILOT") agreement's planned declining payment schedule and recognizing the County of Jefferson's request that the Agency not provide local share sales tax exemption benefit for community solar projects in a context where the UTEP makes reference to provision of full sales tax exemption benefit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has determined that the granting of the proposed Financial Assistance, taking into account the provisions of its UTEP and the County's request, would not represent a deviation from its UTEP.

<u>Section 2</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	YEA
John Jennings	VOTING	YEA
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	YEA
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	YEA
Paul Warneck	VOTING	YEA
William Johnson	VOTING	YEA
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	YEA

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:

I, the undersigned Secretary of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on March 4, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed, or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 5th day of March, 2021.

NOW OUT

David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on March 4, 2021 at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

David Converse, John Jennings, Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., W. Edward

Walldroff, Paul Warneck, William Johnson, Lisa L'Huillier

ABSENT:

None

FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: David Zembiec, Marshall Weir, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Matthew Moses, Esq., Rob Aiken, Christine Powers, Thomas Iorizzo, and John Pirsos from 7News

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to wit:

Resolution No. 03.04.2021.06

RESOLUTION OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD A STRAIGHT-LEASE TRANSACTION WITH NY USLE CARTHAGE SR26 B LLC (THE "COMPANY") FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A SOLAR-POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY IN THE TOWN OF CHAMPION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing,

reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, install, and equip one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, installed, and equipped, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company submitted an application to the Agency on or about November 2, 2020 and subsequently amended same (as amended, the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Champion, to wit: tax parcel 76.00-2-42.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 3.3 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from sales and use taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity, and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of

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New York (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the members of the Agency adopted a resolution on February 11, 2021 (the "Environmental Resolution") by which the Agency determined (A) that the Project constitutes an "Unlisted Action" pursuant to SEQRA, (B) that the Town of Champion Planning Board, acting as lead agency, conducted an uncoordinated review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA and issued negative declaration, determining that the Project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact, and that the members of the Agency reviewed the record of proceedings before the Town of Champion Planning Board and the full environmental assessment form and concurred with the Town of Champion Planning Board's determination, (C) that the Project will not have a "significant adverse impact on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA and, therefore, that no environmental impact statement need be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Preliminary Inducement Resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on February 11, 2021, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the Project and the contemplated Financial Assistance (the "Public Hearing") to be mailed on February 12, 2021 to the chief executive officers of the county, town and school district in which the Project is to be located, (B) caused notices of the Public Hearing to be published on February 13, 2021, in the Watertown Daily Times, a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the County of Jefferson, (C) conducted the Public Hearing virtually via Zoom on February 24, 2021 at 10:00 A.M., local time from the Agency offices located at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, New York, and (D) prepared a report of the Public Hearing which fairly summarized the views presented at said Public Hearing and distributed same to members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Tax Exemption Resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on March 4, 2021 (the "Tax Exemption Resolution"), the Agency determined that the granting of the proposed Financial Assistance, taking into account the provisions of the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("UTEP") and the County of Jefferson's request for indemnification by the Company of the local share of any sales and use taxes rendered exempt by the Financial Assistance, would not represent a deviation from its UTEP; and

WHEREAS, in order to consummate the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Agency proposes to enter into the following documents with the Company (collectively, the "Agency Documents"): (A) a certain company lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) by and between the Company, as landlord, and the Agency, as tenant, pursuant to which the Company will lease to the Agency the Project Facility (the "Company Lease"); (B) a certain bill of sale from the Company to the Agency pursuant to which the Agency will acquire an interest in machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility (the "Bill of Sale"); (C) a certain lease and project agreement (and a memorandum thereof) by and between the Agency, as sublessor, and the Company, as sublessee, pursuant to which the Agency will sublease the Project Facility and machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility back to the Company (the "Agency Lease"); (D) a certain agreement for payments in lieu of tax ("PILOT") by and between the Agency and the Company with respect to the Project Facility (the "PILOT")

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Agreement"); and (E) various other documents and certificates relating to the Project (together with the Agency Documents, the "Closing Documents"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency will file with the assessor and mail to the chief executive officers of each "affected tax jurisdiction" (within the meaning of such quoted term in Section 854(16) of the Act) a copy of a New York State Board of Real Property Services Form RP-412-a (the form required to be filed by the Agency in order for the Agency to obtain a real property tax exemption with respect to the Project Facility under Section 412-a of the Real Property Tax Law) relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Agency desires to adopt a resolution describing the Project and the Financial Assistance that the Agency is authorizing with respect to the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency, based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application, hereby finds and determines that:

- (A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act;
- (B) The Project constitutes a "project," as such term is defined in the Act;
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York:
- (D) The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another area in the State and will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of any occupant of the Project Facility located in the State;
- (E) The Project Facility does not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods and/or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project;
- (F) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project will promote the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the citizens of Jefferson County, New York and the State and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act;

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- (G) The Agency has reviewed the Public Hearing Report and has fully considered all comments contained therein;
- (H) The Agency has assessed all material information included in connection with the Application necessary to afford a reasonable basis for the decision by the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance for the Project as described herein;
- (I) The Agency has prepared a written cost-benefit analysis identifying the estimated value of any tax exemption to be provided, the amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Project, and the extent to which the Project will provide additional sources of revenue for municipalities and school districts, and any other public benefits that might occur as a result of the Project;
- (J) The Project should receive the contemplated Financial Assistance; and
- (K) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to enter into the Agency Documents.

Section 2. In consequence of the foregoing, the Agency hereby determines to and is hereby authorized to: (A) proceed with the Project; (B) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to the Company Lease; (C) acquire an interest in the machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project from the Company pursuant to the Bill of Sale; (D) acquire, construct, install, and equip the Project Facility, or cause the Project Facility to be acquired, installed, constructed, and equipped; (E) lease the Project Facility and machinery, equipment, and personal property related to the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to the Agency Lease, which the Agency further determines constitutes a "Project Agreement" within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 859-a; (F) grant to the Company the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project; (G) enter into a PILOT agreement containing payment amounts set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto, to be distributed to the affected tax jurisdictions in proportion to their respective shares of the combined tax rate as such shares may change from time to time over the term of the PILOT agreement; and (H) do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of the foregoing, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the foregoing are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Agency is hereby authorized to appoint, and hereby appoints, the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency to acquire, construct, install, and equip the Project Facility as described in the Agency Documents, and to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to such acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

<u>Section 4</u>. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, with the assistance of Agency counsel, are authorized to negotiate and approve the form and substance of the Agency Documents.

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Section 5.

- (A) The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agency Documents, and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency thereto and to attest the same, all in the forms thereof as the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.
- (B) The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby further authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to designate any additional Authorized Representatives of the Agency (as defined in and pursuant to the Agency Lease).

Section 6. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required or provided for by the provisions of the Agency Documents, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing Resolution and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Agency Documents binding upon the Agency.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	YEA
John Jennings	VOTING	YEA
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	YEA
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	YEA
Paul Warneck	VOTING	YEA
William Johnson	VOTING	YEA
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	YEA

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:

I, the undersigned Secretary of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on March 4, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed, or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 3 day of March, 2021.

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David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

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Exhibit A

PILOT Payments

Year	PILOT Payment (\$)
1	23,948.54
2	23,478.96
3	23,018.59
4	22,567.24
5	22,124.75
6	21,690.93
7	21,265.62
8	20,848.64
9	20,439.85
10	20,039.07
11	19,646.14
12	19,260.93
13	18,883.26
14	18,513.00
15	18,150.00

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Income Statement for the Six Month Period Ending March 31, 2021

Prepared by Lyle Eaton, March 24, 2021

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	Current Year Budget	Year-to-Dat e Total	Current Month	Previous Month	Balance Remaining
Revenues	Dauget				
Application & Process Fees RCI Annual CD Fund Bond Admin Fee PILOT/Sale Leaseback Fees	\$ 3,000.00 279,427.00 3,000.00 914,174.00	33,100.00 279,427.20 3,000.00 245,770.00		0.00 5,500.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	(30,100.00) (0.20) 0.00 668,404.00
Fee Income - RLF Program Fee Income - Micro Program Interest Income Interest Income - RLF Program	43,424.00 26,137.00 3,500.00 25,000.00	18,092.90 10,890.40 1,060.67 11,923.30		0.00 3,618.56 0.00 2,178.08 5.52 177.40	25,331.10 15,246.60 2,439.33 13,076.70
Interest Income - City Fund Interest Income - Micro Prog. Late Payment Penalty - Micro Miscellaneous Income	6,000.00 9,000.00 100.00 1,500.00	2,412.20 3,895.02 63.80 3,831.98	68 54	2.44 343.26 2.52 440.83 7.46 7.46 9.39 168.13	3,587.80 5,104.98 36.20 (2,331.98)
YMCA Income Credits on Easement	0.00	5,078.30 2,656.44		0.00 5,078.30	(5,078.30) (2,656.44)
Total Revenues	1,314,262.00	621,202.21	16,32	7.09 19,650.99	693,059.79
Operations					
Office Expense	1,000.00	636.78	4	4.28 200.00	363.22
RCI Fee Sharing	139,714.00	139,713.50		0.00	0.50
Admin Services Exp	662,665.00	331,332.48	55,222		331,332.52
D&O Insurance	14,000.00	7,285.98	1,214		6,714.02
Commercial Insurance	10,000.00	3,863.52		3.92 643.92	6,136.48
FTZ Expense	1,250.00	1,250.00		0.00	0.00
Legal - Unrestricted	18,000.00	10,657.31		0.00 6,354.81	7,342.69
Legal YMCA	0.00	5,078.30		5,078.30	(5,078.30)
Accounting & Auditing	11,000.00	10,700.00		0.00	300.00
CEDS Update	7,500.00	0.00		0.00	7,500.00
Consultants Coffeen Park Taxes	0.00 1,700.00	1,500.00	1,500		(1,500.00)
Airport Park Taxes	1,000.00	1,759.79 1,052.54		0.00 0.00	(59.79) (52.54)
Fees Expense	2,000.00	1,860.00		0.00	140.00
Bad DebtRLF	190,000.00	(15,805.00)	(15,805		205,805.00
Bad DebtMicro	30,642.00	0.00		0.00	30,642.00
RLF Program Expense	43,424.00	18,092.90		0.00 3,618.56	25,331.10
Microenterprise Program Exp	26,167.00	10,890.40		0.00 2,178.08	15,276.60
RLF Audit Expense	800.00	0.00		0.00	800.00
146 Arsenal Bldg Maintenance	0.00	1,615.00	1,615		(1,615.00)
Plowing 146 Arsenal	20,000.00	0.00		0.00	20,000.00
IDA 146 Arsenal Bldg Expense	25,000.00	14,058.85	2,056		10,941.15
City/County Parking Lot Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00		0.00	0.00
Insurance	13,000.00	12,934.50	2,155		65.50
Building Depreciation	33,000.00	34,845.03	5,327		(1,845.03)
146 Arsena Equip. Depreciation	3,000.00	2,386.32	397		613.68
146 Arsenal Electric	20,000.00	26,415.72	0	0.00 8,066.53	(6,415.72)
146 Arsenal Water	2,200.00	1,561.85	C	0.00 312.27	638.15
Salary Expense	17,000.00	17,213.59	2,657	7.23 2,635.26	(213.59)
Miscellaneous - Unrestricted	200.00	0.00	0	0.00	200.00
Total Operations	1,314,262.00	660,899.36	57,028	96,788.02	653,362.64
Total Revenue	1,314,262.00	621,202.21	16,327		693,059.79
Total Expenses	1,314,262.00	660,899.36	57,028		653,362.64
Net Income Over Expenditures	\$	(39,697.15)	\$ (40,701	.64) (77,137.03)	39,697.15

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Balance Sheet March 31, 2021

ASSETS

Current Assets	•	101.056.26		
General Checking	\$	101,056.36		
Savings Account		787,203.81		
Microenterprise Account		143,948.91 204,254.96		
City Loan Account Revolving Loan Fund Account		3,698,408.26		
PILOT Monies Receivable		181,193.78		
Miscellaneous Receivable		(200.00)		
Accounts Receivable YMCA		5,078.30		
Acct Receivable - Rogers		18,920.98		
RLF Loans Receivable		738,367.15		
Microenterprise Loans Rec.		156,713.25		
Watn. Economic Growth Fund Rec		81,398.76		
Allowance for Bad Debt-RLF		(190,000.00)		
Allow, for Bad Debts-MICRO		(30,641.75)		
Prepaid Expense		24,534.15		
Tropina Zaponio				
Total Current Assets				5,920,236.92
Property and Equipment				
Accum Depr - Building		(1,240,411.60)		
Accum Depr. Equipment		(194,225.42)		
Total Property and Equipment				(1,434,637.02)
Other Assets				
IT Server		6,050.00		
Galaxy Tablets		13,366.00		
Corp. Park Improvements		209,995.14		
Airport Property		884,326.02		
Intangible Asset		53,195.00		
WIP Airport		133,925.86		
Woolworth Building		505,000.00		
146 Ars Building Improvements		1,233,689.56		
WIP Arsenal Deck & Sidewalks	6	12,495.00		
Total Other Assets			_	3,052,042.58
Total Assets			\$	7,537,642.48
Total Assets			=	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
		LIABILITIE	s an	D CAPITAL
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable - Unrestricte	\$	2,340.57		
PILOT Monies Payable		181,193.78		
Due HUD - RLF Interest		778.58		
Due HUD - MICRO Interest		5.53		
Due HUD - CITY Loan Interest		3.27		
Maintenance Reserve Convergys		14,445.48		
Maintenance Expense Convergys		25,927.57		
Car Freshner Signage		11,000.00		
Total Current Liabilities				235,694.78
Long-Term Liabilities				
Due NYS/IAP L.T.		180,159.78		
Deferred Revenue - Rogers		19 402 18		

19,402.18

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Deferred Revenue - Rogers

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Balance Sheet March 31, 2021

Total Long-Term Liabilities			199,561.96
Total Liabilities			435,256.74
Capital			
General Fund Bal - Unrestrict.	1,065,873.31		
Fund Bal - RLF Restricted	4,419,309.27		
Fund Bal - Micro Restricted	414,850.76		
Fund Bal - City Restricted	262,489.22		
Cap. Impr. Convergys	979,560.33		
Net Income	(39,697.15)		
Total Capital			7,102,385.74
Total Liabilities & Capital		\$_	7,537,642.48
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JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY 146 Arsenal Expenses for the Six Month Period Ending March 31, 2021 Prepared by Lyle Eaton

		Current Year Budget	Year-to-Da te Total		Current Month	Previous Month	% YTD of Budget
Expenses							
146 Arsenal Bldg Maintenanc	\$	0.00	1,615.00	\$	1,615.00	0.00	0.00
Plowing 146 Arsenal		20,000.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
IDA 146 Arsenal Bldg Expens		25,000.00	14,058.85		2,056.03	3,089.32	56.24
City/County Parking Lot Fund		20,000.00	20,000.00		0.00	0.00	100.00
Insurance		13,000.00	12,934.50		2,155.75	2,155.75	99.50
Building Depreciation		33,000.00	34,845.03		5,327.39	5,621.09	105.59
146 Arsena Equip. Depreciati		3,000.00	2,386.32		397.72	397.72	79.54
146 Arsenal Electric		20,000.00	26,415.72		0.00	8,066.53	132.08
146 Arsenal Water		2,200.00	1,561.85		0.00	312.27	70.99
Salary Expense	-	17,000.00	17,213.59	2	2,657.23	2,635.26	101.26
Total Expenses	\$	153,200.00	131,030.86	\$ =	14,209.12	22,277.94	85.53

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency

General Checking Cash Receipts Journal For the Period From Mar 1, 2021 to Mar 31, 2021 Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Check Date. Report is printed in Detail Format.

Date	Account ID	Transaction	Line Description	Debit Amnt	Credit Amnt
3/4/21	125501	3187	2/21 PRINCIPAL		169.39
	412501		2/21 INTEREST		145.52
	100001		KENNETH F. ROGERS	314.91	
3/11/21	207005	1386	DUE MICRO		134.51
	205602		DUE SHLDC		134.52
	100001		MAIN STREET CRAFTS & DRAFTS	269.03	
3/11/21	207005	19220	DUE MICRO		565.35
	205602		DUE SHLDC		424.02
	100001		PAINFULL ACRES	989.37	
3/23/21	125001	11691	Invoice: 3585		2,500.00
50.000000000000000000000000000000000000	100001	11 11 11 11 11 11	NEXAMP PAMELA SOLAR	2,500.00	
3/23/21	125001	11693	Invoice: 3584		2,500.00
	100001		NEXAMP WADDINGHAM ROAD	2,500.00	
3/23/21	125001	11692	Invoice: 3583		2,500.00
5/25/21	100001		NEXAMP LERAY JACKSON	2,500.00	00000000000000000000000000000000000000
3/23/21	125001	11718	Invoice: 3586		2,500.00
JI LOI E 1	100001	11119	NEXAMP BUTTERVILLE ROAD	2,500.00	
				11,573.31	11,573.31

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Revolving Loan Fund Receivables

As of Mar 31, 2021
Filter Criteria includes: 1) Includes Drop Shipments. Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Summary Format.

Customer	Amount Due
MEADOWBROOK TERRACE	57,780.49
MLR,LLC	96,721.92
RBM MANUFACTURING CORP	400,000.00
WRIGHT BROS. LLC	183,864.74
	738,367.15

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Micro Loans Receivable As of Mar 31, 2021

As of Mar 31, 2021
Filter Criteria includes: 1) Includes Drop Shipments. Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Summary Format.

Customer	Amount Due
COLLEEN'S CHERRY TREE INN	34,950.54
R.L.GOULD & SON, LLC	27,591.41
THOUSAND ISLANDS AREA HABITAT FOR HUMA	20,579.41
MAIN STREET CRAFTS & DRAFTS	4,253.86
PAINFULL ACRES	26,376.98
THE SANDWICH BAR	7,463.97
SARAH'S BARBER SHOP	8,500.39
THE SCRUB HUB	8,638.19
SACKETS HARBOR TRADING CO.	128.38
TASTE OF DESIGN	18,230.12
	156,713.25

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Watn. Economic Growth Fund As of Mar 31, 2021

As of Mar 31, 2021
Filter Criteria includes: 1) Includes Drop Shipments. Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Summary Format.

Customer	Amount Due	
CURRENT APPLICATIONS	81,398.76	
	81,398.76	

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency
PILOT Receivables
As of Mar 31, 2021
Filter Criteria includes: 1) Includes Drop Shipments. Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Detail Format.

Invoice/CM	0 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	Over 90 days	Amount Due
3559			41,193.78		41,193.78
			41,193.78		41,193.78
3567 3568 3569 3570	35,000.00 35,000.00 35,000.00 35,000.00				35,000.00 35,000.00 35,000.00 35,000.00
	140,000.00				140,000.00
	140,000.00		41,193.78		181,193.78
	3559 3567 3568 3569	3567 35,000.00 3568 35,000.00 3569 35,000.00 3570 35,000.00	3567 35,000.00 3568 35,000.00 3569 35,000.00 3570 35,000.00 140,000.00	3559 41,193.78 41,193.78 41,193.78 3567 35,000.00 3568 35,000.00 3569 35,000.00 3570 35,000.00 140,000.00	3559 41,193.78 41,193.78 41,193.78 3567 35,000.00 3568 35,000.00 3569 35,000.00 3570 35,000.00 140,000.00

Jeff Co Industrial Development Agency Cash Disbursements Journal For the Period From Mar 1, 2021 to Mar 31, 2021 Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date. Report is printed in Detail Format.

Date	Check #	Account ID	Line Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount
3/4/21	7450	200001 100001	Invoice: 92026241 ABJ FIRE PROTECTION CO	488.50	488.50
3/4/21	7451	200001 100001	Invoice: 51104741 BARCLAY DAMON LLP	5,078.30	5,078.30
3/4/21	7452	200001 200001 100001	Invoice: 032021 Invoice: 32021 CITY COMPTROLLER	268.89 43.38	312.27
3/4/21	7453	200001 200001 100001	Invoice: MONTHLY ADMIN FEE5 Invoice: 2314 JEFF COUNTY LDC	55,222.08 1,383.52	56,605.60
3/4/21	7454	200001 200001 200001 100001	Invoice: 2222021 Invoice: 022221 Invoice: 22221 NATIONAL GRID	47.14 239.37 883.19	1,169.70
3/4/21	7455	200001 100001	Invoice: 2858 P & M CONSTRUCTION	1,495.00	1,495.00
3/4/21	7456	200001 100001	Invoice: ST & UTEP ISSUES SWARTZ MOSES PLLC	5,000.00	5,000.00
3/4/21	7457	200001 100001	Invoice: AGREEMENT 20-21-6 WATERTOWN INDUSTRIAL CENTER	1,250.00	1,250.00
3/11/21	7459	200001 100001	Invoice: 7-290-86410 FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP.	44.28	44.28
3/11/21	7460	200001 100001	Invoice: W13289 HYDE - STONE MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS	135.00	135.00
3/11/21	7461	200001 100001	Invoice: 022421 NATIONAL GRID	6,896.83	6,896.83
3/11/21	7462	200001 100001	Invoice: 33002 3-21 WASTE MANAGEMENT	80.46	80.46
/18/21	7463	200001 100001	Invoice: 92025809 ABJ FIRE PROTECTION CO	366.25	366.25
/18/21	7464	200001 100001	Invoice: 20-033. DGM COON & CO	1,500.00	1,500.00
/18/21	7465	200001 100001	Invoice: 3/21 MAIN ST JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL	134.51	134.51
/18/21	7466	200001 100001	Invoice: 2316 JEFF COUNTY LDC	1,273.71	1,273.71
/18/21	7467	200001 100001	Invoice: 20210219-1 SERV-PRO OF JEFFERSON	965.00	965.00
18/21	7468	200001 100001	Invoice: 3/21 MAIN ST SACKETS HARBOR LDC	134.52	134.52
18/21	7469		Invoice: 3/21 PAINFULL JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL	565.35	565.35
18/21	7470		Invoice: 3/21 PAINFULL SACKETS HARBOR LDC	424.02	424.02
	Total			83,919.30	83,919.30

Joint Meeting of JCIDA Loan Review and JCLDC Alternative Energy Committee Meeting Minutes March 23, 2021

Present (Loan Review): Robert Aliasso, Chair, David Converse, John Jennings

Present (Alternative Energy): William Johnson, Paul Warneck

Also Present: David Zembiec, Marshall Weir, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Jay Matteson, Lisa L'Huillier, Ed Walldroff, Matthew Moses, Esq., Dallas Manson (Nexamp), Gary Rhodes (Henderson), Brendan Straub from 7News

I. Call to Order: Loan Review Chair Aliasso called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Nexamp Solar Projects:

a. Butterville Road Solar, LLC – Mr. Aliasso said the application fee was received and that a negative declaration was issued for SEQR. He also said that the packet contained Mr. Eaton's summary of the proposed project which included a cost benefit analysis (CBA). Mr. Jennings asked if the application is complete. Mr. Zembiec said yes.

Mr. Aliasso noted that the summary showed different numbers than the application. Mr. Eaton indicated that he created the CBA last August and said that he will revise it using the updated application projections.

Mr. Zembiec indicated that most of the IDA's he spoke with also used the \$5,500 megawatt formula, but they did not discuss smaller projects. He said that he will also ask them about this.

Mr. Aliasso asked if Section II: Project Description & Details should be changed from 'none' for listing current operations in Jefferson County since the Adams Renewables and Black River Solar projects have been approved and closed. Ms. Manson said that the projects were not operational at the time of the application.

A motion was made by Mr. Jennings to move the proposed project to the full board for consideration, seconded by Mr. Converse. All in favor.

b. LeRay Jackson Solar, LLC – Mr. Aliasso said the application fee was received and that a negative SEQR declaration was issued. He also said that the packet contained Mr. Eaton's summary of the proposed project which included a cost benefit analysis.

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Mr. Aliasso asked Mr. Eaton about his question regarding the labor costs. Mr. Eaton said that he doesn't have a good handle on the taxable portion for the sales tax benefit. Attorney Moses said that Nexamp's Counsel withdrew the request for sales tax abatement. Mr. Aliasso said that the application should reflect the change before full board consideration. Attorney Moses said that the email will suffice as the modification to each of the applications.

A motion was made by Mr. Converse to move the proposed project to the full board for consideration, seconded by Mr. Jennings. All in favor.

c. Pamelia Solar, LLC – Mr. Aliasso said the application fee was received, a variance was granted, and a negative declaration for SEQR was issued. He also said that the packet contained Mr. Eaton's summary of the proposed project which included a cost benefit analysis.

A motion was made by Mr. Converse to move the proposed project to the full board for consideration, seconded by Mr. Jennings. All in favor.

d. Waddingham Road Solar, LLC – Mr. Aliasso said the application fee was received and that a negative SEQR declaration was issued. He also said that the packet contained Mr. Eaton's summary of the proposed project which included a cost benefit analysis.

A motion was made by Mr. Jennings to move the proposed project to the full board for consideration, seconded by Mr. Converse. All in favor.

IV. Other/Unfinished Business:

1. Pending Solar Projects – Mr. Aliasso asked about the status of the Omni Navitas and US Light Energy projects. Attorney Moses said that the closing documents have been drafted for the two US Light Energy projects. He said counsel is reviewing them and anticipate closing within the next few weeks.

Attorney Moses said the closing documents for the Omni projects have been drafted and we are waiting for a closing date. He said one of the projects were sold and we are waiting for correspondence for the board to consider approval of the transfer.

Mr. Zembiec indicated that there has not been any update for the Chaumont project.

2. **Draft UTEP** – Mr. Aliasso said that Mr. Zembiec put the draft UTEP together based on past comments from staff and board members which included adding a section for renewable energy projects.

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Mr. Warneck said he will submit his comments to Mr. Zembiec, and outlined the following:

- Page 2, #2 consider lowering the 25 megawatts to 20 megawatts
- Page 2, #2b suggested deleting "To estimate the annual PILOT payment" and begin the sentence at "The Agency will...".
- Page 2, #2d replace the word 'shall' with the word 'may'
- Suggestion to create a new paragraph in this section that says no application
 will be accepted until all permits are in place. Attorney Moses indicated that
 developers wouldn't want to wait for state level approvals to see if they have a
 viable project.
- Page 2, B suggests making a reference that projects need to be in compliance with local zoning. Attorney Moses said it is built into the agreement.
- Establish reporting for labor. Attorney Moses said it is captured in the project documents. He said the Agency could incorporate a form that can be used for the reporting requirements.

Mr. Aliasso noted that the UTEP document excludes utility transmission lines. Mr. Zembiec said the UTEP as currently written, lists what is allowed, not what is excluded. Mr. Aliasso asked if transmission should be excluded on page two, section two. Mr. Converse noted that the County is already on board with the Copenhagen wind project involving transmission. In that case, the Lewis County IDA provided a PILOT on both the Lewis and Jefferson County portions of the transmission line with approval by the affected taxing jurisdiction. Mr. Aliasso said that it could result in two separate applications.

Mr. Jennings asked about decommission plans. Attorney Moses said that the projects discussed today each have a decommission plan per local zoning. He said larger projects are required by state law to have one as well.

Mr. Aliasso asked about the closing time period which currently allows up to two years. He thinks this is too much time and suggested the time be shortened.

Mr. Jennings left the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Mr. Aliasso mentioned the but-for policy. Attorney Moses said that it is a policy of the board. Mr. Warneck mentioned the Chaumont project since they indicated they were going to complete clearing and grubbing, but pointed out that there are now thousands of solar panels and said that we haven't had an update from them. Mr. Converse said that he has struggled with the policy for years. He said that developers should complete the IDA application in anticipation of a project.

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Mr. Aliasso noted the use of agricultural land. Mr. Warneck brought up the email sent by Mr. Zembiec that shared the ag values provided by Jay Matteson. He suggested inviting Doug Shelmidine, President of the Farmland Protection Agency, to an upcoming meeting to discuss the impacts and their concerns. Mr. Matteson said that one of the attachments to Dave's email was a chart of prime farmland soils in Jefferson County that included their assigned values. Mr. Warneck said that he is not sure it is the right way to determine the cost benefit analysis, especially for larger projects and suggested that we look at the impacts. Mr. Zembiec said there are two aspects. The first one is to determine how to apply those figures to the cost benefit analysis. The second is how to incorporate that into the PILOT payment schedule.

Mr. Johnson said that he is glad to see that the \$5,500 megawatts appears to be in line with some of the other IDA's. He said that it would be nice to have a map of Jefferson County that depicts current and proposed solar projects. Mr. Weir said he will contact County Planning.

Attorney Moses said that he will submit a comment to Mr. Zembiec for the UTEP regarding the County's request for sales tax for solar projects, which he noted would not constitute a deviation.

Mr. Zembiec said that a lot of material was covered today and indicated that there will be more discussion later on.

V. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the joint meeting was made by Mr. Converse, seconded by Mr. Aliasso. The joint meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Sampson

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION



A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

	PRESENT:	
	ABSENT:	
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:	
wit:	The following resolution was offered by, seconded by	, to

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.02

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR BUTTERVILLE ROAD SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound



commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Henderson, to wit: tax parcel 106.00-2-34.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 0.799 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQR Act"), ECL Section 8-0101, et seq., and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, undertaking the Project is an Action as defined by SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Henderson Planning Board (the "Town"), acting as lead agency, conducted an environmental review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA, and although the Agency was not included as an involved agency in the review conducted by the Town, the Agency received and reviewed a complete copy of the Full Environmental Assessment Form reviewed by the Town and of the environmental review proceedings conducted by the Town (collectively, the "EAF"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency and has been provided to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the Project and the EAF, together with the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project, and such further information as is available to the Agency; and

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WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the classifications of actions contained in the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the proceedings conducted by the Town and the EAF and concurs with the findings of the Town that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Project is a Type I Action pursuant to SEQRA.

Section 2. Although the Town, as lead agency, conducted an environmental review pursuant to SEQRA and did not include the Agency as an involved agency, the Agency has reviewed the environmental review conducted by the Town and concurs with the findings of the Town. Accordingly, the Agency hereby adopts as its own the Town's environmental review and findings, and determines that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Section 3. A Negative Declaration of significant adverse environmental impact shall be prepared, filed, published and distributed in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.12.

Section 4. Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

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David J. Zembiec Chief Executive Officer



PRELIMINARY INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

	PRESENT:
	ABSENT:
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:
wit:	The following resolution was offered by, seconded by, to

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.03

RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR BUTTERVILLE ROAD SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH THE COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound

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commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Henderson, to wit: tax parcel 106.00-2-34.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 0.799 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the

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"Environmental Resolution"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

WHEREAS, although the resolution authorizing the Project has not yet been drafted for approval by the Agency, a preliminary agreement (the "Preliminary Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has reviewed the Application and based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application and at this meeting and, based thereon, the Agency hereby accepts the Application and makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:
 - (A) The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act; and
 - (B) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and
 - (C) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project; and
 - (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions described in Section 2(E) of this Resolution, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
 - (E) Upon compliance with the provisions of the Act, the Agency would then be authorized under the Act to undertake the Project in order to promote the

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job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living.

Section 2. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (the "Company Lease"); (B) acquire an interest in machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency (the "Bill of Sale") or otherwise; (C) construct, install and equip the Project Facility on the Land; (D) sublease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a leaseback agreement (hereinafter the "Agency Lease", and together with the Company Lease and the Bill of Sale, the "Conveyance Documents") between the Agency and the Company whereby the Company will be obligated, among other things, to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility, and (E) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes), subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes ("PILOT Payments") with respect to the Project Facility, all as contemplated by the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 3. If the Agency adopts the Future Resolution, the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project as contemplated by Section 2 of this Resolution, shall be subject to: (A) the determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that all requirements of SEQRA that relate to the Project have been fulfilled; (B) execution and delivery by the Company of the Preliminary Agreement, which sets forth certain conditions for the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and satisfaction by the Company of all the terms and conditions of the Preliminary Agreement applicable to the Company; (C) agreement by the Agency and the Company on mutually acceptable terms for the Conveyance Documents; (D) agreement between the Company and the Agency as to payment by the Company of PILOT Payments with respect to the Project Facility, together with the administrative fee of the Agency with respect to the Project; (E) a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act have been complied with; and (F) the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy or if any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project

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is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

Section 4. The form, terms and substance of the Preliminary Agreement (in substantially the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto) are in all respects approved, and any of the First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver said Preliminary Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, said Preliminary Agreement to be substantially in the form presented to this meeting, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officer executing same on behalf of the Agency, the execution thereof by such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form now before this meeting.

Section 5. From and after the execution and delivery of the Preliminary Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed with the undertakings provided for therein on the part of the Agency and are further authorized to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the terms and provisions of the Preliminary Agreement as executed.

<u>Section 6</u>. Swartz Moses PLLC ("Agency Counsel") is hereby appointed counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Agency Counsel is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Company and others to prepare for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 7. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, after consultation with Agency Counsel, (A) to establish a time, date and place for a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project Facility and the proposed Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, said public hearing to be held in the city, town or village where the Project Facility will be located, unless alternate arrangements are permitted or required by Executive Order; (B) to cause notice of such public hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is to be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act and to be published no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for such public hearing; (C) to cause notice of said public hearing to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for said public hearing; (D) to conduct such public hearing; and (E) to cause a report of said public hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at said public hearing to be promptly prepared and cause copies of said report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

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<u>Section 8</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:



I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT



THIS PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT made as of April 1, 2021 between **JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "<u>Agency</u>"), a public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and **BUTTERVILLE ROAD SOLAR**, **LLC** (the "<u>Company</u>"), a limited liability company, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of the State of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to undertake the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and installation of one or more "projects" (as said quoted term is defined in the Act) and to lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the Act are to promote industry and develop trade and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "Preliminary Inducement Resolution"), the Agency made a preliminary determination, subject to numerous conditions, to accept an application (the "Application") from the Company requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Henderson, to wit: tax parcel 106.00-2-34.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 0.799 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by

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the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "<u>Environmental Resolution</u>"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Agency and the Company agree as follows:

Article 1. Representations.

Among the representations which have resulted in the execution of this Preliminary Agreement are the following:

Section 1.01. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that:

- (A) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and, although the completion of the Project Facility may result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York, such abandonment is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Company in its industry.
- (B) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project Facility.
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York.
- (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, as further described in Section 2(E) of the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, will encourage and assist the Company in locating the Project Facility in Jefferson County, New York, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act by promoting job opportunities in Jefferson County, New York.
- (E) It is estimated at the present time that the costs of the planning, development, acquisition, construction, and installation of the Project Facility (collectively, the "*Project Costs*") will be approximately \$1,237,685.



- (F) The Company will ensure that the acquisition, construction, installation and operation of the Project Facility will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations (the applicability of same to be determined both as if the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility and as if the Company and not the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility), and the Company will obtain all necessary approvals and permits required thereunder.
- Section 1.02. By the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, the Agency has approved the execution of this Preliminary Agreement. The Agency intends this Preliminary Agreement to constitute its official binding commitment, subject to the terms hereof, to accept the Application; provided, however, that this Preliminary Agreement shall not commit the Agency to undertake the Project or to grant to the Company any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project unless and until the Agency shall decide to undertake the Project and to grant such Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been fulfilled.
- <u>Section 1.03</u>. Pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency has made a determination that the Project will not have a "significant adverse effect on the environment" (within the meaning of SEQRA) and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project.

Article 2. Undertakings on the Part of the Agency.

Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

- Section 2.01. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in this Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will undertake the Project and will grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project; provided, however, that the foregoing obligation of the Agency to undertake the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project is subject to the conditions hereinafter contained in this Preliminary Agreement including, but not limited to, the following conditions:
 - (A) A leasehold interest in the Project Facility shall be acquired by the Agency from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (hereinafter, the "Company Lease") which contains terms mutually acceptable to the Agency and the Company for the conveyance of a leasehold interest in the Project Facility to the Agency. Any machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility acquired by the Company will be acquired by the Company as agent of the

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Agency, an interest therein shall be conveyed to the Agency by a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency ("Bill of Sale") or otherwise, and such property shall become subject to the terms of the Agency Lease (as hereinafter defined). The lease of the Project Facility by the Agency to the Company shall be effected by a lease agreement (hereinafter, the "Agency Lease") between the Agency and the Company. The Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease, and any other documents to be executed by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, the "Project Documents") shall, in all respects, comply with the requirements of, and limitations contained in, the Act and shall further specifically provide that the obligations of the Agency thereunder are payable solely from the revenues derived by the Agency from the sale, lease or other disposition of the Project Facility; that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not be a general obligation of the Agency and shall not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Agency; that no beneficiary of the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the Agency (if any), or of the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof, including Jefferson County, New York; and that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not create a debt or loan of credit of Jefferson County, New York or the State of New York, but such obligations shall be a special obligation of the Agency secured and payable solely as provided in the Company Lease or the Agency Lease, as the case may be, and such facts shall be plainly stated in each of such documents;

- (B) The Company shall have executed the Agency Lease between the Agency and the Company, the terms of which shall be acceptable in form and content to the Company and the Agency, and pursuant to which, among other things, the Company shall be obligated to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility;
- (C) No event shall have occurred which constitutes (or which after notice or lapse of time or both would constitute) an event of default under the Agency Lease;
- (D) The Company shall provide the Agency with all information and statements which may be required by the Agency in order to facilitate compliance by the Agency with SEQRA;
- (E) The Agency shall receive, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agency, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings as shall be specified by the Agency in connection with the Project and the various documents to be executed

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in connection with the Project, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings to be obtained from counsel to the Agency and such other governmental and nongovernmental agencies and entities as may have or assert competence or jurisdiction over or interest in matters pertaining thereto;

- (F) Agreements shall be made as to (1) payments by the Company to or on behalf of the Agency of amounts in lieu of real property taxes, (2) indemnity by the Company of the Agency and the members and officers of the Agency, and (3) payment by the Company of the expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the Project (including attorneys' fees and out-of-pocket expenses) and the administrative fee of the Agency, and such agreements shall be satisfactory in form and substance to the Agency;
- (G) The Agency shall have made a determination to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that all the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been complied with;
- (H) If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.
- Section 2.02. The obligations of the Agency pursuant to this Preliminary Agreement are subject to the conditions elsewhere contained in this Preliminary Agreement and to the additional condition that the Agency shall not undertake the Project, nor grant any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, unless and until the Agency shall have complied with the provisions of SEQRA.
- Section 2.03. Subject to the conditions stated in this Preliminary Agreement, the Agency, from time to time, will adopt, or cause to be adopted, such proceedings and authorize the execution of such documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (A) the authorization, undertaking and completion of the Project; and (B) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.
- Section 2.04. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.



Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company.

Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

Section 3.01. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery by the Agency of the Company Lease, the Company will enter into the Agency Lease with the Agency containing the terms and conditions described in Section 2.01 hereof. The Company agrees that the Company will pay all of the Project Costs and shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any such payment from the Agency. THE AGENCY MAKES NO WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAT THE PROJECT FACILITY WILL BE SUITABLE FOR THE COMPANY'S PURPOSES OR NEEDS.

Section 3.02. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from all losses, expenses, claims and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanic's or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility.

Section 3.03. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from any and all (A) claims and liabilities for the loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing; and (B) claims and liability arising from or expenses incurred in connection with the Project or the Agency's acquisition, construction and installation, owning, and/or leasing of the Project Facility, including all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall include the Agency (and its members, officers, agents, and employees) as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 3.04</u>. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Section 3.05. If the Company fails to conclude or consummate the necessary negotiations associated with the Project, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels,

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or neglects the Application or the Project, or otherwise fails to execute and deliver the Project Documents, then, upon the presentation of an invoice, the Company shall pay to the Agency, its agents, or assigns all actual costs incurred by the Agency in furtherance of the Application, the Project, and the transaction contemplated by this Preliminary Agreement, up to that date and time, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees of the Agency's general counsel and the Agency's transaction counsel.

Article 4. General Provisions.

Section 4.01. All commitments of the Agency under Article 2 hereof and of the Company under Article 3 hereof (excepting the obligations of the Company set forth in Sections 3.02 and 3.03 hereof, which shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement) are subject to the condition that the following events shall have occurred not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the Future Resolution (or such other date as shall be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company):

- (A) The Agency and the Company shall have agreed on mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and any other agreements referred to in Articles 2 or 3 hereof;
 - (B) All necessary governmental approvals shall be obtained; and
- (C) All other conditions expressed in this Preliminary Agreement shall have been satisfied.

<u>Section 4.02</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of Section 4.03 hereof, the Company shall have the right to unilaterally cancel this Preliminary Agreement at any time prior to the time that the Company Lease is signed by the Agency upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation delivered to the Agency at the address set forth in Section 4.04 hereof.

Section 4.03. If the events set forth in Section 4.01 hereof do not take place within the time set forth in said Section 4.01, or any extension thereof, or if the Company exercises its right of cancellation as set forth in Section 4.02 hereof, the Company agrees that: (A) it will promptly reimburse the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) for all reasonable and necessary direct out-of-pocket expenses (including legal fees and expenses) which the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) may incur with respect to the execution of this Preliminary Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder; and (B) the obligations of the Company set forth in Section 3.02 and 3.03 hereof shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement and shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the period stated in the applicable statute of limitations during which a claim, cause of action or prosecution relating to the matters described therein may be brought and payment in full or the satisfaction of such claim, cause of action or prosecution and the payment of all expenses and charges incurred by the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) relating to the enforcement of the provisions therein stated.

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Section 4.04. (A) All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(1) To the Agency:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency 800 Starbuck Avenue Watertown, New York 13601 Attention: David J. Zembiec

With a copy to:

Matthew S. Moses, Esq. Swartz Moses PLLC 1583 East Genesee Street Skaneateles, NY 13152

(2) To the Company:

Butterville Road Solar, LLC Attn: Alex Curlin 101 Summer Street Boston, MA 02110

With a copy to:

Kevin R. McAuliffe, Esq. Barclay Damon LLP Barclay Damon Tower 125 East Jefferson Street Syracuse, NY 13202

- (B) The Agency and the Company may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses or modes of communication to which subsequent notices, certificates and other communications shall be sent.
- Section 4.05. All covenants and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Agency and the Company shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the Agency and the Company whether so expressed or not.
- Section 4.06. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall be deemed the obligations and agreements of the Agency, and not of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his individual capacity, and the members, officers, agents and employees of the Agency shall not be liable personally hereon or be

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subject to any personal liability or accountability base upon or in respect hereof or of any transaction contemplated hereby. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall not constitute or give rise to an obligation of the State of New York or of Jefferson County, New York and neither the State of New York nor Jefferson County, New York shall be liable thereon and, further, such obligations and agreements shall not constitute or give rise to a general obligation of the Agency but, rather, shall constitute limited obligations of the Agency payable solely from the revenues of the Agency derived and to be derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of the Project Facility.

Section 4.07. Notwithstanding any provision of this Preliminary Agreement to the contrary, the Agency shall not be obligated to take any action pursuant to any provision hereof unless (A) the Agency has been requested to do so in writing by the Company; and (B) if compliance with such request is reasonably expected to result in the incurrence by the Agency (or any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency) of any liability, fees, expenses or other costs, the Agency shall have received from the Company security or indemnity satisfactory to the Agency for protection against all such liability and for the reimbursement of all such fees, expenses and other costs.

Section 4.08. This Preliminary Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Preliminary Agreement, and any amendments hereto or, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in portable document format (PDF), shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. No party shall raise the use of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in PDF to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature was transmitted or communicated through such means as a defense to the formation of an agreement and each party forever waives any such defense.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into this Preliminary Agreement as of the day and date first written above.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL

DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION



A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the

follo	wing members of the Agency were:		
	PRESENT:		
	ABSENT:		
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:		
	The following resolution was offered by	, seconded by	, to

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.04

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR LERAY JACKSON SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and

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economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 54.00-3-40.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQR Act"), ECL Section 8-0101, et seq., and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, undertaking the Project is an Action as defined by SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town of LeRay Planning Board (the "Town"), acting as lead agency, conducted an environmental review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA, and although the Agency was not included as an involved agency in the review conducted by the Town, the Agency received and reviewed a complete copy of the Full Environmental Assessment Form reviewed by the Town and of the environmental review proceedings conducted by the Town (collectively, the "EAF"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency and has been provided to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the Project and the EAF, together with the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project, and such further information as is available to the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the classifications of actions contained in the Regulations; and

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WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the proceedings conducted by the Town and the EAF and concurs with the findings of the Town that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The Project is a Type I Action pursuant to SEQRA.

Section 2. Although the Town, as lead agency, conducted an environmental review pursuant to SEQRA and did not include the Agency as an involved agency, the Agency has reviewed the environmental review conducted by the Town and concurs with the findings of the Town. Accordingly, the Agency hereby adopts as its own the Town's environmental review and findings, and determines that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

<u>Section 3.</u> A Negative Declaration of significant adverse environmental impact shall be prepared, filed, published and distributed in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.12.

Section 4. Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

<u>Section 5.</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:	DRAFT

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec Chief Executive Officer



PRELIMINARY INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

	PRESENT:	
	ABSENT:	
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:	
wit:	The following resolution was offered by, seconded by	, to

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.05

RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR LERAY JACKSON SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH THE COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound



commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 54.00-3-40.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the

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"Environmental Resolution"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

WHEREAS, although the resolution authorizing the Project has not yet been drafted for approval by the Agency, a preliminary agreement (the "Preliminary Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has reviewed the Application and based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application and at this meeting and, based thereon, the Agency hereby accepts the Application and makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:
 - (A) The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act; and
 - (B) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and
 - (C) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project; and
 - (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions described in Section 2(E) of this Resolution, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
 - (E) Upon compliance with the provisions of the Act, the Agency would then be authorized under the Act to undertake the Project in order to promote the



job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living.

Section 2. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (the "Company Lease"); (B) acquire an interest in machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency (the "Bill of Sale") or otherwise; (C) construct, install and equip the Project Facility on the Land; (D) sublease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a leaseback agreement (hereinafter the "Agency Lease", and together with the Company Lease and the Bill of Sale, the "Conveyance Documents") between the Agency and the Company whereby the Company will be obligated, among other things, to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility, and (E) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes), subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes ("PILOT Payments") with respect to the Project Facility, all as contemplated by the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 3. If the Agency adopts the Future Resolution, the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project as contemplated by Section 2 of this Resolution, shall be subject to: (A) the determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that all requirements of SEQRA that relate to the Project have been fulfilled; (B) execution and delivery by the Company of the Preliminary Agreement, which sets forth certain conditions for the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and satisfaction by the Company of all the terms and conditions of the Preliminary Agreement applicable to the Company; (C) agreement by the Agency and the Company on mutually acceptable terms for the Conveyance Documents; (D) agreement between the Company and the Agency as to payment by the Company of PILOT Payments with respect to the Project Facility, together with the administrative fee of the Agency with respect to the Project; (E) a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act have been complied with; and (F) the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy or if any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project

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is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

Section 4. The form, terms and substance of the Preliminary Agreement (in substantially the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto) are in all respects approved, and any of the First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver said Preliminary Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, said Preliminary Agreement to be substantially in the form presented to this meeting, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officer executing same on behalf of the Agency, the execution thereof by such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form now before this meeting.

Section 5. From and after the execution and delivery of the Preliminary Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed with the undertakings provided for therein on the part of the Agency and are further authorized to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the terms and provisions of the Preliminary Agreement as executed.

<u>Section 6</u>. Swartz Moses PLLC ("Agency Counsel") is hereby appointed counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Agency Counsel is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Company and others to prepare for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 7. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, after consultation with Agency Counsel, (A) to establish a time, date and place for a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project Facility and the proposed Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, said public hearing to be held in the city, town or village where the Project Facility will be located, unless alternate arrangements are permitted or required by Executive Order; (B) to cause notice of such public hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is to be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act and to be published no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for such public hearing; (C) to cause notice of said public hearing to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for said public hearing; (D) to conduct such public hearing; and (E) to cause a report of said public hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at said public hearing to be promptly prepared and cause copies of said report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

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<u>Section 8</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.



I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

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THIS PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT made as of April 1, 2021 between **JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "<u>Agency</u>"), a public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and **LERAY JACKSON SOLAR**, **LLC** (the "<u>Company</u>"), a limited liability company, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of the State of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to undertake the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and installation of one or more "projects" (as said quoted term is defined in the Act) and to lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the Act are to promote industry and develop trade and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "Preliminary Inducement Resolution"), the Agency made a preliminary determination, subject to numerous conditions, to accept an application (the "Application") from the Company requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 54.00-3-40.1, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEOR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEORA"), by resolution adopted by

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the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "<u>Environmental Resolution</u>"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Agency and the Company agree as follows:

Article 1. Representations.

Among the representations which have resulted in the execution of this Preliminary Agreement are the following:

<u>Section 1.01</u>. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that:

- (A) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and, although the completion of the Project Facility may result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York, such abandonment is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Company in its industry.
- (B) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project Facility.
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York.
- (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, as further described in Section 2(E) of the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, will encourage and assist the Company in locating the Project Facility in Jefferson County, New York, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act by promoting job opportunities in Jefferson County, New York.
- (E) It is estimated at the present time that the costs of the planning, development, acquisition, construction, and installation of the Project Facility (collectively, the "*Project Costs*") will be approximately \$8,368,860.



- (F) The Company will ensure that the acquisition, construction, installation and operation of the Project Facility will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations (the applicability of same to be determined both as if the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility and as if the Company and not the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility), and the Company will obtain all necessary approvals and permits required thereunder.
- Section 1.02. By the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, the Agency has approved the execution of this Preliminary Agreement. The Agency intends this Preliminary Agreement to constitute its official binding commitment, subject to the terms hereof, to accept the Application; provided, however, that this Preliminary Agreement shall not commit the Agency to undertake the Project or to grant to the Company any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project unless and until the Agency shall decide to undertake the Project and to grant such Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been fulfilled.
- Section 1.03. Pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency has made a determination that the Project will not have a "significant adverse effect on the environment" (within the meaning of SEQRA) and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project.

Article 2. Undertakings on the Part of the Agency.

Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

- Section 2.01. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in this Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will undertake the Project and will grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project; provided, however, that the foregoing obligation of the Agency to undertake the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project is subject to the conditions hereinafter contained in this Preliminary Agreement including, but not limited to, the following conditions:
 - (A) A leasehold interest in the Project Facility shall be acquired by the Agency from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (hereinafter, the "Company Lease") which contains terms mutually acceptable to the Agency and the Company for the conveyance of a leasehold interest in the Project Facility to the Agency. Any machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility acquired by the Company will be acquired by the Company as agent of the

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Agency, an interest therein shall be conveyed to the Agency by a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency ("Bill of Sale") or otherwise, and such property shall become subject to the terms of the Agency Lease (as hereinafter defined). The lease of the Project Facility by the Agency to the Company shall be effected by a lease agreement (hereinafter, the "Agency Lease") between the Agency and the Company. The Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease, and any other documents to be executed by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, the "Project Documents") shall, in all respects, comply with the requirements of, and limitations contained in, the Act and shall further specifically provide that the obligations of the Agency thereunder are payable solely from the revenues derived by the Agency from the sale, lease or other disposition of the Project Facility; that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not be a general obligation of the Agency and shall not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Agency; that no beneficiary of the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the Agency (if any), or of the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof, including Jefferson County, New York; and that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not create a debt or loan of credit of Jefferson County, New York or the State of New York, but such obligations shall be a special obligation of the Agency secured and payable solely as provided in the Company Lease or the Agency Lease, as the case may be, and such facts shall be plainly stated in each of such documents;

- (B) The Company shall have executed the Agency Lease between the Agency and the Company, the terms of which shall be acceptable in form and content to the Company and the Agency, and pursuant to which, among other things, the Company shall be obligated to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility;
- (C) No event shall have occurred which constitutes (or which after notice or lapse of time or both would constitute) an event of default under the Agency Lease;
- (D) The Company shall provide the Agency with all information and statements which may be required by the Agency in order to facilitate compliance by the Agency with SEQRA;
- (E) The Agency shall receive, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agency, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings as shall be specified by the Agency in connection with the Project and the various documents to be executed



in connection with the Project, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings to be obtained from counsel to the Agency and such other governmental and nongovernmental agencies and entities as may have or assert competence or jurisdiction over or interest in matters pertaining thereto;

- (F) Agreements shall be made as to (1) payments by the Company to or on behalf of the Agency of amounts in lieu of real property taxes, (2) indemnity by the Company of the Agency and the members and officers of the Agency, and (3) payment by the Company of the expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the Project (including attorneys' fees and out-of-pocket expenses) and the administrative fee of the Agency, and such agreements shall be satisfactory in form and substance to the Agency;
- (G) The Agency shall have made a determination to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that all the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been complied with;
- (H) If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.
- Section 2.02. The obligations of the Agency pursuant to this Preliminary Agreement are subject to the conditions elsewhere contained in this Preliminary Agreement and to the additional condition that the Agency shall not undertake the Project, nor grant any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, unless and until the Agency shall have complied with the provisions of SEQRA.
- Section 2.03. Subject to the conditions stated in this Preliminary Agreement, the Agency, from time to time, will adopt, or cause to be adopted, such proceedings and authorize the execution of such documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (A) the authorization, undertaking and completion of the Project; and (B) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.
- Section 2.04. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company.



Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

Section 3.01. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery by the Agency of the Company Lease, the Company will enter into the Agency Lease with the Agency containing the terms and conditions described in Section 2.01 hereof. The Company agrees that the Company will pay all of the Project Costs and shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any such payment from the Agency. THE AGENCY MAKES NO WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAT THE PROJECT FACILITY WILL BE SUITABLE FOR THE COMPANY'S PURPOSES OR NEEDS.

Section 3.02. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from all losses, expenses, claims and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanic's or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility.

Section 3.03. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from any and all (A) claims and liabilities for the loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing; and (B) claims and liability arising from or expenses incurred in connection with the Project or the Agency's acquisition, construction and installation, owning, and/or leasing of the Project Facility, including all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall include the Agency (and its members, officers, agents, and employees) as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project.

Section 3.04. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Section 3.05. If the Company fails to conclude or consummate the necessary negotiations associated with the Project, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels,

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or neglects the Application or the Project, or otherwise fails to execute and deliver the Project Documents, then, upon the presentation of an invoice, the Company shall pay to the Agency, its agents, or assigns all actual costs incurred by the Agency in furtherance of the Application, the Project, and the transaction contemplated by this Preliminary Agreement, up to that date and time, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees of the Agency's general counsel and the Agency's transaction counsel.

Article 4. General Provisions.

Section 4.01. All commitments of the Agency under Article 2 hereof and of the Company under Article 3 hereof (excepting the obligations of the Company set forth in Sections 3.02 and 3.03 hereof, which shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement) are subject to the condition that the following events shall have occurred not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the Future Resolution (or such other date as shall be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company):

- (A) The Agency and the Company shall have agreed on mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and any other agreements referred to in Articles 2 or 3 hereof;
 - (B) All necessary governmental approvals shall be obtained; and
- (C) All other conditions expressed in this Preliminary Agreement shall have been satisfied.

Section 4.02. Subject to the terms and conditions of Section 4.03 hereof, the Company shall have the right to unilaterally cancel this Preliminary Agreement at any time prior to the time that the Company Lease is signed by the Agency upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation delivered to the Agency at the address set forth in Section 4.04 hereof.

Section 4.03. If the events set forth in Section 4.01 hereof do not take place within the time set forth in said Section 4.01, or any extension thereof, or if the Company exercises its right of cancellation as set forth in Section 4.02 hereof, the Company agrees that: (A) it will promptly reimburse the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) for all reasonable and necessary direct out-of-pocket expenses (including legal fees and expenses) which the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) may incur with respect to the execution of this Preliminary Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder; and (B) the obligations of the Company set forth in Section 3.02 and 3.03 hereof shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement and shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the period stated in the applicable statute of limitations during which a claim, cause of action or prosecution relating to the matters described therein may be brought and payment in full or the satisfaction of such claim, cause of action or prosecution and the payment of all expenses and charges incurred by the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) relating to the enforcement of the provisions therein stated.

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Section 4.04. (A) All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(1) To the Agency:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency 800 Starbuck Avenue Watertown, New York 13601 Attention: David J. Zembiec

With a copy to:

Matthew S. Moses, Esq. Swartz Moses PLLC 1583 East Genesee Street Skaneateles, NY 13152

(2) To the Company:

LeRay Jackson Solar, LLC Attn: Dallas Manson 101 Summer Street Boston, MA 02110

With a copy to:

Kevin R. McAuliffe, Esq. Barclay Damon LLP Barclay Damon Tower 125 East Jefferson Street Syracuse, NY 13202

- (B) The Agency and the Company may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses or modes of communication to which subsequent notices, certificates and other communications shall be sent.
- Section 4.05. All covenants and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Agency and the Company shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the Agency and the Company whether so expressed or not.
- Section 4.06. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall be deemed the obligations and agreements of the Agency, and not of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his individual capacity, and the members, officers, agents and employees of the Agency shall not be liable personally hereon or be

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subject to any personal liability or accountability base upon or in respect hereof or of any transaction contemplated hereby. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall not constitute or give rise to an obligation of the State of New York or of Jefferson County, New York and neither the State of New York nor Jefferson County, New York shall be liable thereon and, further, such obligations and agreements shall not constitute or give rise to a general obligation of the Agency but, rather, shall constitute limited obligations of the Agency payable solely from the revenues of the Agency derived and to be derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of the Project Facility.

Section 4.07. Notwithstanding any provision of this Preliminary Agreement to the contrary, the Agency shall not be obligated to take any action pursuant to any provision hereof unless (A) the Agency has been requested to do so in writing by the Company; and (B) if compliance with such request is reasonably expected to result in the incurrence by the Agency (or any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency) of any liability, fees, expenses or other costs, the Agency shall have received from the Company security or indemnity satisfactory to the Agency for protection against all such liability and for the reimbursement of all such fees, expenses and other costs.

Section 4.08. This Preliminary Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Preliminary Agreement, and any amendments hereto or, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in portable document format (PDF), shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. No party shall raise the use of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in PDF to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature was transmitted or communicated through such means as a defense to the formation of an agreement and each party forever waives any such defense.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into this Preliminary Agreement as of the day and date first written above.

Ву:	
	David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer
LER	AY JACKSON SOLAR, LLC
Ву:	
	Chris Clark, Authorized Officer

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL

DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION



A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:

The following resolution was offered by ______, seconded by _____, to wit:

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.06

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR PAMELIA SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and

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economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Pamelia, to wit: tax parcels 64.19-1-1.2 and 64.19-1-1.31, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQR Act"), ECL Section 8-0101, et seq., and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, undertaking the Project is an Action as defined by SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pamelia Planning Board (the "Town"), acting as lead agency, conducted an environmental review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA, and although the Agency was not included as an involved agency in the review conducted by the Town, the Agency received and reviewed a complete copy of the Full Environmental Assessment Form reviewed by the Town and of the environmental review proceedings conducted by the Town (collectively, the "EAF"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency and has been provided to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the Project and the EAF, together with the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project, and such further information as is available to the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the classifications of actions contained in the Regulations; and

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WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the proceedings conducted by the Town and the EAF and concurs with the findings of the Town that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Project is a Type I Action pursuant to SEQRA.

Section 2. Although the Town, as lead agency, conducted an environmental review pursuant to SEQRA and did not include the Agency as an involved agency, the Agency has reviewed the environmental review conducted by the Town and concurs with the findings of the Town. Accordingly, the Agency hereby adopts as its own the Town's environmental review and findings, and determines that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Section 3. A Negative Declaration of significant adverse environmental impact shall be prepared, filed, published and distributed in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.12.

Section 4. Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK)	
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:	

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec Chief Executive Officer

PRELIMINARY INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

	PRESENT:
	ABSENT:
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:
wit:	The following resolution was offered by, seconded by, to

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.07

RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR PAMELIA SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH THE COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound

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commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Pamelia, to wit: tax parcels 64.19-1-1.2 and 64.19-1-1.31, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the

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"Environmental Resolution"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

WHEREAS, although the resolution authorizing the Project has not yet been drafted for approval by the Agency, a preliminary agreement (the "Preliminary Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has reviewed the Application and based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application and at this meeting and, based thereon, the Agency hereby accepts the Application and makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:
 - (A) The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act; and
 - (B) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and
 - (C) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project; and
 - (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions described in Section 2(E) of this Resolution, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
 - (E) Upon compliance with the provisions of the Act, the Agency would then be authorized under the Act to undertake the Project in order to promote the

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job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living.

Section 2. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (the "Company Lease"); (B) acquire an interest in machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency (the "Bill of Sale") or otherwise; (C) construct, install and equip the Project Facility on the Land; (D) sublease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a leaseback agreement (hereinafter the "Agency Lease", and together with the Company Lease and the Bill of Sale, the "Conveyance Documents") between the Agency and the Company whereby the Company will be obligated, among other things, to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility, and (E) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes), subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes ("PILOT Payments") with respect to the Project Facility, all as contemplated by the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 3. If the Agency adopts the Future Resolution, the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project as contemplated by Section 2 of this Resolution, shall be subject to: (A) the determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that all requirements of SEQRA that relate to the Project have been fulfilled; (B) execution and delivery by the Company of the Preliminary Agreement, which sets forth certain conditions for the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and satisfaction by the Company of all the terms and conditions of the Preliminary Agreement applicable to the Company; (C) agreement by the Agency and the Company on mutually acceptable terms for the Conveyance Documents; (D) agreement between the Company and the Agency as to payment by the Company of PILOT Payments with respect to the Project Facility, together with the administrative fee of the Agency with respect to the Project; (E) a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act have been complied with; and (F) the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy or if any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project

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is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

Section 4. The form, terms and substance of the Preliminary Agreement (in substantially the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto) are in all respects approved, and any of the First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver said Preliminary Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, said Preliminary Agreement to be substantially in the form presented to this meeting, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officer executing same on behalf of the Agency, the execution thereof by such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form now before this meeting.

Section 5. From and after the execution and delivery of the Preliminary Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed with the undertakings provided for therein on the part of the Agency and are further authorized to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the terms and provisions of the Preliminary Agreement as executed.

<u>Section 6</u>. Swartz Moses PLLC ("Agency Counsel") is hereby appointed counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Agency Counsel is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Company and others to prepare for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 7. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, after consultation with Agency Counsel, (A) to establish a time, date and place for a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project Facility and the proposed Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, said public hearing to be held in the city, town or village where the Project Facility will be located, unless alternate arrangements are permitted or required by Executive Order; (B) to cause notice of such public hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is to be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act and to be published no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for such public hearing; (C) to cause notice of said public hearing to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for said public hearing; (D) to conduct such public hearing; and (E) to cause a report of said public hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at said public hearing to be promptly prepared and cause copies of said report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

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<u>Section 8</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	9-2-12-12-12-13-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	1-11-3
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:



I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT



THIS PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT made as of April 1, 2021 between **JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "<u>Agency</u>"), a public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and **PAMELIA SOLAR**, **LLC** (the "<u>Company</u>"), a limited liability company, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of the State of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to undertake the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and installation of one or more "projects" (as said quoted term is defined in the Act) and to lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the Act are to promote industry and develop trade and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "Preliminary Inducement Resolution"), the Agency made a preliminary determination, subject to numerous conditions, to accept an application (the "Application") from the Company requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Pamelia, to wit: tax parcels 64.19-1-1.2 and 64.19-1-1.31, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 5.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEOR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEORA"), by resolution adopted by

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the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "<u>Environmental Resolution</u>"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Agency and the Company agree as follows:

Article 1. Representations.

Among the representations which have resulted in the execution of this Preliminary Agreement are the following:

Section 1.01. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that:

- (A) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and, although the completion of the Project Facility may result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York, such abandonment is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Company in its industry.
- (B) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project Facility.
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York.
- (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, as further described in Section 2(E) of the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, will encourage and assist the Company in locating the Project Facility in Jefferson County, New York, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act by promoting job opportunities in Jefferson County, New York.
- (E) It is estimated at the present time that the costs of the planning, development, acquisition, construction, and installation of the Project Facility (collectively, the "*Project Costs*") will be approximately \$8,403,408.

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- (F) The Company will ensure that the acquisition, construction, installation and operation of the Project Facility will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations (the applicability of same to be determined both as if the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility and as if the Company and not the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility), and the Company will obtain all necessary approvals and permits required thereunder.
- Section 1.02. By the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, the Agency has approved the execution of this Preliminary Agreement. The Agency intends this Preliminary Agreement to constitute its official binding commitment, subject to the terms hereof, to accept the Application; provided, however, that this Preliminary Agreement shall not commit the Agency to undertake the Project or to grant to the Company any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project unless and until the Agency shall decide to undertake the Project and to grant such Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been fulfilled.

<u>Section 1.03</u>. Pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency has made a determination that the Project will not have a "significant adverse effect on the environment" (within the meaning of SEQRA) and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project.

Article 2. Undertakings on the Part of the Agency.

Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

- Section 2.01. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in this Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will undertake the Project and will grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project; provided, however, that the foregoing obligation of the Agency to undertake the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project is subject to the conditions hereinafter contained in this Preliminary Agreement including, but not limited to, the following conditions:
 - (A) A leasehold interest in the Project Facility shall be acquired by the Agency from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (hereinafter, the "Company Lease") which contains terms mutually acceptable to the Agency and the Company for the conveyance of a leasehold interest in the Project Facility to the Agency. Any machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility acquired by the Company will be acquired by the Company as agent of the

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Agency, an interest therein shall be conveyed to the Agency by a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency ("Bill of Sale") or otherwise, and such property shall become subject to the terms of the Agency Lease (as hereinafter defined). The lease of the Project Facility by the Agency to the Company shall be effected by a lease agreement (hereinafter, the "Agency Lease") between the Agency and the Company. The Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease, and any other documents to be executed by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, the "Project Documents") shall, in all respects, comply with the requirements of, and limitations contained in, the Act and shall further specifically provide that the obligations of the Agency thereunder are payable solely from the revenues derived by the Agency from the sale, lease or other disposition of the Project Facility; that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not be a general obligation of the Agency and shall not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Agency; that no beneficiary of the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the Agency (if any), or of the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof, including Jefferson County, New York; and that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not create a debt or loan of credit of Jefferson County, New York or the State of New York, but such obligations shall be a special obligation of the Agency secured and payable solely as provided in the Company Lease or the Agency Lease, as the case may be, and such facts shall be plainly stated in each of such documents;

- (B) The Company shall have executed the Agency Lease between the Agency and the Company, the terms of which shall be acceptable in form and content to the Company and the Agency, and pursuant to which, among other things, the Company shall be obligated to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility;
- (C) No event shall have occurred which constitutes (or which after notice or lapse of time or both would constitute) an event of default under the Agency Lease;
- (D) The Company shall provide the Agency with all information and statements which may be required by the Agency in order to facilitate compliance by the Agency with SEQRA;
- (E) The Agency shall receive, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agency, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings as shall be specified by the Agency in connection with the Project and the various documents to be executed

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in connection with the Project, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings to be obtained from counsel to the Agency and such other governmental and nongovernmental agencies and entities as may have or assert competence or jurisdiction over or interest in matters pertaining thereto;

- (F) Agreements shall be made as to (1) payments by the Company to or on behalf of the Agency of amounts in lieu of real property taxes, (2) indemnity by the Company of the Agency and the members and officers of the Agency, and (3) payment by the Company of the expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the Project (including attorneys' fees and out-of-pocket expenses) and the administrative fee of the Agency, and such agreements shall be satisfactory in form and substance to the Agency;
- (G) The Agency shall have made a determination to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that all the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been complied with;
- (H) If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.
- Section 2.02. The obligations of the Agency pursuant to this Preliminary Agreement are subject to the conditions elsewhere contained in this Preliminary Agreement and to the additional condition that the Agency shall not undertake the Project, nor grant any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, unless and until the Agency shall have complied with the provisions of SEQRA.
- Section 2.03. Subject to the conditions stated in this Preliminary Agreement, the Agency, from time to time, will adopt, or cause to be adopted, such proceedings and authorize the execution of such documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (A) the authorization, undertaking and completion of the Project; and (B) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.
- Section 2.04. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company.



Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

Section 3.01. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery by the Agency of the Company Lease, the Company will enter into the Agency Lease with the Agency containing the terms and conditions described in Section 2.01 hereof. The Company agrees that the Company will pay all of the Project Costs and shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any such payment from the Agency. THE AGENCY MAKES NO WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAT THE PROJECT FACILITY WILL BE SUITABLE FOR THE COMPANY'S PURPOSES OR NEEDS.

Section 3.02. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from all losses, expenses, claims and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanic's or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility.

Section 3.03. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from any and all (A) claims and liabilities for the loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing; and (B) claims and liability arising from or expenses incurred in connection with the Project or the Agency's acquisition, construction and installation, owning, and/or leasing of the Project Facility, including all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall include the Agency (and its members, officers, agents, and employees) as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 3.04</u>. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

<u>Section 3.05</u>. If the Company fails to conclude or consummate the necessary negotiations associated with the Project, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels,



or neglects the Application or the Project, or otherwise fails to execute and deliver the Project Documents, then, upon the presentation of an invoice, the Company shall pay to the Agency, its agents, or assigns all actual costs incurred by the Agency in furtherance of the Application, the Project, and the transaction contemplated by this Preliminary Agreement, up to that date and time, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees of the Agency's general counsel and the Agency's transaction counsel.

Article 4. General Provisions.

Section 4.01. All commitments of the Agency under Article 2 hereof and of the Company under Article 3 hereof (excepting the obligations of the Company set forth in Sections 3.02 and 3.03 hereof, which shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement) are subject to the condition that the following events shall have occurred not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the Future Resolution (or such other date as shall be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company):

- (A) The Agency and the Company shall have agreed on mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and any other agreements referred to in Articles 2 or 3 hereof;
 - (B) All necessary governmental approvals shall be obtained; and
- (C) All other conditions expressed in this Preliminary Agreement shall have been satisfied.

Section 4.02. Subject to the terms and conditions of Section 4.03 hereof, the Company shall have the right to unilaterally cancel this Preliminary Agreement at any time prior to the time that the Company Lease is signed by the Agency upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation delivered to the Agency at the address set forth in Section 4.04 hereof.

Section 4.03. If the events set forth in Section 4.01 hereof do not take place within the time set forth in said Section 4.01, or any extension thereof, or if the Company exercises its right of cancellation as set forth in Section 4.02 hereof, the Company agrees that: (A) it will promptly reimburse the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) for all reasonable and necessary direct out-of-pocket expenses (including legal fees and expenses) which the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) may incur with respect to the execution of this Preliminary Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder; and (B) the obligations of the Company set forth in Section 3.02 and 3.03 hereof shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement and shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the period stated in the applicable statute of limitations during which a claim, cause of action or prosecution relating to the matters described therein may be brought and payment in full or the satisfaction of such claim, cause of action or prosecution and the payment of all expenses and charges incurred by the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) relating to the enforcement of the provisions therein stated.

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Section 4.04. (A) All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(1) To the Agency:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency 800 Starbuck Avenue Watertown, New York 13601 Attention: David J. Zembiec

With a copy to:

Matthew S. Moses, Esq. Swartz Moses PLLC 1583 East Genesee Street Skaneateles, NY 13152

(2) To the Company:

Pamelia Solar, LLC Attn: Dallas Manson 101 Summer Street Boston, MA 02110

With a copy to:

Kevin R. McAuliffe, Esq. Barclay Damon LLP Barclay Damon Tower 125 East Jefferson Street Syracuse, NY 13202

- (B) The Agency and the Company may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses or modes of communication to which subsequent notices, certificates and other communications shall be sent.
- Section 4.05. All covenants and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Agency and the Company shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the Agency and the Company whether so expressed or not.
- Section 4.06. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall be deemed the obligations and agreements of the Agency, and not of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his individual capacity, and the members, officers, agents and employees of the Agency shall not be liable personally hereon or be

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subject to any personal liability or accountability base upon or in respect hereof or of any transaction contemplated hereby. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall not constitute or give rise to an obligation of the State of New York or of Jefferson County, New York and neither the State of New York nor Jefferson County, New York shall be liable thereon and, further, such obligations and agreements shall not constitute or give rise to a general obligation of the Agency but, rather, shall constitute limited obligations of the Agency payable solely from the revenues of the Agency derived and to be derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of the Project Facility.

Section 4.07. Notwithstanding any provision of this Preliminary Agreement to the contrary, the Agency shall not be obligated to take any action pursuant to any provision hereof unless (A) the Agency has been requested to do so in writing by the Company; and (B) if compliance with such request is reasonably expected to result in the incurrence by the Agency (or any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency) of any liability, fees, expenses or other costs, the Agency shall have received from the Company security or indemnity satisfactory to the Agency for protection against all such liability and for the reimbursement of all such fees, expenses and other costs.

Section 4.08. This Preliminary Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Preliminary Agreement, and any amendments hereto or, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in portable document format (PDF), shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. No party shall raise the use of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in PDF to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature was transmitted or communicated through such means as a defense to the formation of an agreement and each party forever waives any such defense.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into this Preliminary Agreement as of the day and date first written above.

Ву:	David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer
PAN	IELIA SOLAR, LLC
By:	
•	Chris Clark, Authorized Officer

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL

DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION



A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the

follow	ring members of the Agency were:	
	PRESENT:	
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	ABSENT:	
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:	

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.08

The following resolution was offered by ______, seconded by _____, to

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR WADDINGHAM ROAD SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound

wit:



commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 65.00-1-46.41, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 4.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQR Act"), ECL Section 8-0101, et seq., and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations", and together with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, undertaking the Project is an Action as defined by SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town of LeRay Planning Board (the "Town"), acting as lead agency, conducted an environmental review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA, and although the Agency was not included as an involved agency in the review conducted by the Town, the Agency received and reviewed a complete copy of the Full Environmental Assessment Form reviewed by the Town and of the environmental review proceedings conducted by the Town (collectively, the "EAF"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency and has been provided to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the Project and the EAF, together with the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project, and such further information as is available to the Agency; and

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WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the classifications of actions contained in the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the proceedings conducted by the Town and the EAF and concurs with the findings of the Town that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Project is a Type I Action pursuant to SEQRA.

<u>Section 2.</u> Although the Town, as lead agency, conducted an environmental review pursuant to SEQRA and did not include the Agency as an involved agency, the Agency has reviewed the environmental review conducted by the Town and concurs with the findings of the Town. Accordingly, the Agency hereby adopts as its own the Town's environmental review and findings, and determines that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

<u>Section 3.</u> A Negative Declaration of significant adverse environmental impact shall be prepared, filed, published and distributed in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.12.

Section 4. Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	8
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	W
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF	NEW YORK
COUNTY O	F JEFFERSON

)) ss.:



I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec Chief Executive Officer



PRELIMINARY INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

A meeting of Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 800 Starbuck Avenue in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York on April 1, 2021, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

	PRESENT:
	ABSENT:
	FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:
wit:	The following resolution was offered by, seconded by, t

Resolution No. 04.01.2021.09

RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR WADDINGHAM ROAD SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH THE COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION.

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound

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commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Company presented an application for financial assistance to the Agency on or about March 17, 2021 (as amended from time to time, the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 65.00-1-46.41, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 4.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in Jefferson County, New York, (B) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and (C) the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Jefferson County, New York by undertaking the Project in Jefferson County, New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the

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"Environmental Resolution"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, any approval of the Project contained herein is contingent upon a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following satisfaction of the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project; and

WHEREAS, although the resolution authorizing the Project has not yet been drafted for approval by the Agency, a preliminary agreement (the "Preliminary Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has reviewed the Application and based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application and at this meeting and, based thereon, the Agency hereby accepts the Application and makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:
 - (A) The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act; and
 - (B) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York, and the completion of the Project Facility will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York; and
 - (C) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project; and
 - (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions described in Section 2(E) of this Resolution, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
 - (E) Upon compliance with the provisions of the Act, the Agency would then be authorized under the Act to undertake the Project in order to promote the

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job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living.

Section 2. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire a leasehold interest in the Project Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (the "Company Lease"); (B) acquire an interest in machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency (the "Bill of Sale") or otherwise; (C) construct, install and equip the Project Facility on the Land; (D) sublease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a leaseback agreement (hereinafter the "Agency Lease", and together with the Company Lease and the Bill of Sale, the "Conveyance Documents") between the Agency and the Company whereby the Company will be obligated, among other things, to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility, and (E) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes), subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes ("PILOT Payments") with respect to the Project Facility, all as contemplated by the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 3. If the Agency adopts the Future Resolution, the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project as contemplated by Section 2 of this Resolution, shall be subject to: (A) the determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that all requirements of SEQRA that relate to the Project have been fulfilled; (B) execution and delivery by the Company of the Preliminary Agreement, which sets forth certain conditions for the undertaking and completing of the Project by the Agency, and satisfaction by the Company of all the terms and conditions of the Preliminary Agreement applicable to the Company; (C) agreement by the Agency and the Company on mutually acceptable terms for the Conveyance Documents; (D) agreement between the Company and the Agency as to payment by the Company of PILOT Payments with respect to the Project Facility, together with the administrative fee of the Agency with respect to the Project; (E) a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project following a determination by the members of the Agency that the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act have been complied with; and (F) the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy or if any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project

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is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

Section 4. The form, terms and substance of the Preliminary Agreement (in substantially the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto) are in all respects approved, and any of the First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, or Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver said Preliminary Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, said Preliminary Agreement to be substantially in the form presented to this meeting, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officer executing same on behalf of the Agency, the execution thereof by such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form now before this meeting.

<u>Section 5</u>. From and after the execution and delivery of the Preliminary Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed with the undertakings provided for therein on the part of the Agency and are further authorized to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the terms and provisions of the Preliminary Agreement as executed.

<u>Section 6</u>. Swartz Moses PLLC ("Agency Counsel") is hereby appointed counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Agency Counsel is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Company and others to prepare for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 7. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, after consultation with Agency Counsel, (A) to establish a time, date and place for a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project Facility and the proposed Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, said public hearing to be held in the city, town or village where the Project Facility will be located, unless alternate arrangements are permitted or required by Executive Order; (B) to cause notice of such public hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is to be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act and to be published no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for such public hearing; (C) to cause notice of said public hearing to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located no fewer than ten (10) days prior to the date established for said public hearing; (D) to conduct such public hearing; and (E) to cause a report of said public hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at said public hearing to be promptly prepared and cause copies of said report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

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<u>Section 8</u>. The First Chairman, Vice Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

David J. Converse	VOTING	<u> </u>
John Jennings	VOTING	
Robert E. Aliasso, Jr.	VOTING	
W. Edward Walldroff	VOTING	
Paul Warneck	VOTING	
William Johnson	VOTING	<u> </u>
Lisa L'Huillier	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss.:



I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 1, 2021 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present through said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this ____ day of April, 2021.

David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT



THIS PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT made as of April 1, 2021 between **JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "<u>Agency</u>"), a public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and **WADDINGHAM ROAD SOLAR, LLC** (the "<u>Company</u>"), a limited liability company, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 369 of the 1971 Laws of the State of New York, as amended, constituting Section 892-e of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to undertake the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and installation of one or more "projects" (as said quoted term is defined in the Act) and to lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the Act are to promote industry and develop trade and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Jefferson County, New York and the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "Preliminary Inducement Resolution"), the Agency made a preliminary determination, subject to numerous conditions, to accept an application (the "Application") from the Company requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of a certain parcel of land located in the Town of LeRay, to wit: tax parcel 65.00-1-46.41, Jefferson County, New York (the "Land"), and (2) construction, installation and equipping on the Land of a solar-powered electric generating facility, including all related equipment and improvements, with a total planned alternating current output capacity of 4.0 megawatts (the "Facility") to be operated by the Company (the Land and the Facility collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including exemptions from mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes for the Project Facility (but not including special district taxes) (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "<u>SEQR Act</u>"), and the regulations (the "<u>Regulations</u>") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "<u>SEQRA</u>"), by resolution adopted by



the members of the Agency on April 1, 2021 (the "Environmental Resolution"), the Agency has determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Agency and the Company agree as follows:

Article 1. Representations.

Among the representations which have resulted in the execution of this Preliminary Agreement are the following:

Section 1.01. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that:

- (A) The completion of the Project Facility will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility (other than the Company) located in the State of New York and, although the completion of the Project Facility may result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York, such abandonment is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Company in its industry.
- (B) The Project Facility will not constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project Facility.
- (C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of Jefferson County, New York.
- (D) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, as further described in Section 2(E) of the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, will encourage and assist the Company in locating the Project Facility in Jefferson County, New York, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act by promoting job opportunities in Jefferson County, New York.
- (E) It is estimated at the present time that the costs of the planning, development, acquisition, construction, and installation of the Project Facility (collectively, the "*Project Costs*") will be approximately \$6,585,234.

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- (F) The Company will ensure that the acquisition, construction, installation and operation of the Project Facility will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations (the applicability of same to be determined both as if the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility and as if the Company and not the Agency were the owner of the Project Facility), and the Company will obtain all necessary approvals and permits required thereunder.
- Section 1.02. By the Preliminary Inducement Resolution, the Agency has approved the execution of this Preliminary Agreement. The Agency intends this Preliminary Agreement to constitute its official binding commitment, subject to the terms hereof, to accept the Application; provided, however, that this Preliminary Agreement shall not commit the Agency to undertake the Project or to grant to the Company any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project unless and until the Agency shall decide to undertake the Project and to grant such Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been fulfilled.
- Section 1.03. Pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency has made a determination that the Project will not have a "significant adverse effect on the environment" (within the meaning of SEQRA) and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project.

Article 2. Undertakings on the Part of the Agency.

Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

- Section 2.01. If, following full compliance with the requirements of the Act, including the public hearing requirements set forth in Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Company complies with all conditions set forth in this Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will undertake the Project and will grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project; provided, however, that the foregoing obligation of the Agency to undertake the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance relating to the Project is subject to the conditions hereinafter contained in this Preliminary Agreement including, but not limited to, the following conditions:
 - (A) A leasehold interest in the Project Facility shall be acquired by the Agency from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement to be negotiated between the Agency and the Company (hereinafter, the "Company Lease") which contains terms mutually acceptable to the Agency and the Company for the conveyance of a leasehold interest in the Project Facility to the Agency. Any machinery, equipment and personal property related to the Project Facility acquired by the Company will be acquired by the Company as agent of the



Agency, an interest therein shall be conveyed to the Agency by a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency ("Bill of Sale") or otherwise, and such property shall become subject to the terms of the Agency Lease (as hereinafter defined). The lease of the Project Facility by the Agency to the Company shall be effected by a lease agreement (hereinafter, the "Agency Lease") between the Agency and the Company. The Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease, and any other documents to be executed by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, the "Project Documents") shall, in all respects, comply with the requirements of, and limitations contained in, the Act and shall further specifically provide that the obligations of the Agency thereunder are payable solely from the revenues derived by the Agency from the sale, lease or other disposition of the Project Facility; that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not be a general obligation of the Agency and shall not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Agency; that no beneficiary of the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the Agency (if any), or of the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof, including Jefferson County, New York; and that the obligations of the Agency thereunder shall not create a debt or loan of credit of Jefferson County, New York or the State of New York, but such obligations shall be a special obligation of the Agency secured and payable solely as provided in the Company Lease or the Agency Lease, as the case may be, and such facts shall be plainly stated in each of such documents;

- (B) The Company shall have executed the Agency Lease between the Agency and the Company, the terms of which shall be acceptable in form and content to the Company and the Agency, and pursuant to which, among other things, the Company shall be obligated to pay all costs incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including all costs of operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, all taxes and other governmental charges, any required payments in lieu of taxes, the administrative fee of the Agency, and the reasonable fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency with respect to or in connection with the Project and/or the Project Facility;
- (C) No event shall have occurred which constitutes (or which after notice or lapse of time or both would constitute) an event of default under the Agency Lease;
- (D) The Company shall provide the Agency with all information and statements which may be required by the Agency in order to facilitate compliance by the Agency with SEQRA;
- (E) The Agency shall receive, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agency, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings as shall be specified by the Agency in connection with the Project and the various documents to be executed



in connection with the Project, such rulings, approvals, resolutions, consents, certificates, opinions of counsel and other instruments and proceedings to be obtained from counsel to the Agency and such other governmental and nongovernmental agencies and entities as may have or assert competence or jurisdiction over or interest in matters pertaining thereto;

- (F) Agreements shall be made as to (1) payments by the Company to or on behalf of the Agency of amounts in lieu of real property taxes, (2) indemnity by the Company of the Agency and the members and officers of the Agency, and (3) payment by the Company of the expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the Project (including attorneys' fees and out-of-pocket expenses) and the administrative fee of the Agency, and such agreements shall be satisfactory in form and substance to the Agency;
- (G) The Agency shall have made a determination to proceed with the granting of the Financial Assistance following a determination by the Agency that all the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act that relate to the Project have been complied with;
- (H) If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(b) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.
- Section 2.02. The obligations of the Agency pursuant to this Preliminary Agreement are subject to the conditions elsewhere contained in this Preliminary Agreement and to the additional condition that the Agency shall not undertake the Project, nor grant any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, unless and until the Agency shall have complied with the provisions of SEQRA.
- Section 2.03. Subject to the conditions stated in this Preliminary Agreement, the Agency, from time to time, will adopt, or cause to be adopted, such proceedings and authorize the execution of such documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (A) the authorization, undertaking and completion of the Project; and (B) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.
- Section 2.04. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company.



Based upon the statements, representations, and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

Section 3.01. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery by the Agency of the Company Lease, the Company will enter into the Agency Lease with the Agency containing the terms and conditions described in Section 2.01 hereof. The Company agrees that the Company will pay all of the Project Costs and shall not be entitled to any reimbursement for any such payment from the Agency. THE AGENCY MAKES NO WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAT THE PROJECT FACILITY WILL BE SUITABLE FOR THE COMPANY'S PURPOSES OR NEEDS.

Section 3.02. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from all losses, expenses, claims and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanic's or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility.

Section 3.03. The Company hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) harmless from any and all (A) claims and liabilities for the loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project and/or the Project Facility, including any expenses incurred by the Agency (and its members, officers, agents and employees) in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing; and (B) claims and liability arising from or expenses incurred in connection with the Project or the Agency's acquisition, construction and installation, owning, and/or leasing of the Project Facility, including all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The Company shall include the Agency (and its members, officers, agents, and employees) as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 3.04</u>. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Section 3.05. If the Company fails to conclude or consummate the necessary negotiations associated with the Project, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels,

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or neglects the Application or the Project, or otherwise fails to execute and deliver the Project Documents, then, upon the presentation of an invoice, the Company shall pay to the Agency, its agents, or assigns all actual costs incurred by the Agency in furtherance of the Application, the Project, and the transaction contemplated by this Preliminary Agreement, up to that date and time, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees of the Agency's general counsel and the Agency's transaction counsel.

Article 4. General Provisions.

Section 4.01. All commitments of the Agency under Article 2 hereof and of the Company under Article 3 hereof (excepting the obligations of the Company set forth in Sections 3.02 and 3.03 hereof, which shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement) are subject to the condition that the following events shall have occurred not later than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the Future Resolution (or such other date as shall be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company):

- (A) The Agency and the Company shall have agreed on mutually acceptable terms and conditions of the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and any other agreements referred to in Articles 2 or 3 hereof;
 - (B) All necessary governmental approvals shall be obtained; and
- (C) All other conditions expressed in this Preliminary Agreement shall have been satisfied.

Section 4.02. Subject to the terms and conditions of Section 4.03 hereof, the Company shall have the right to unilaterally cancel this Preliminary Agreement at any time prior to the time that the Company Lease is signed by the Agency upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation delivered to the Agency at the address set forth in Section 4.04 hereof.

Section 4.03. If the events set forth in Section 4.01 hereof do not take place within the time set forth in said Section 4.01, or any extension thereof, or if the Company exercises its right of cancellation as set forth in Section 4.02 hereof, the Company agrees that: (A) it will promptly reimburse the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) for all reasonable and necessary direct out-of-pocket expenses (including legal fees and expenses) which the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) may incur with respect to the execution of this Preliminary Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder; and (B) the obligations of the Company set forth in Section 3.02 and 3.03 hereof shall survive the termination of this Preliminary Agreement and shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of the period stated in the applicable statute of limitations during which a claim, cause of action or prosecution relating to the matters described therein may be brought and payment in full or the satisfaction of such claim, cause of action or prosecution and the payment of all expenses and charges incurred by the Agency (and its officers, members, agents or employees) relating to the enforcement of the provisions therein stated.

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Section 4.04. (A) All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(1) To the Agency:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency 800 Starbuck Avenue Watertown, New York 13601 Attention: David J. Zembiec

With a copy to:

Matthew S. Moses, Esq. Swartz Moses PLLC 1583 East Genesee Street Skaneateles, NY 13152

(2) To the Company:

Waddingham Road Solar, LLC Attn: Dallas Manson 101 Summer Street Boston, MA 02110

With a copy to:

Kevin R. McAuliffe, Esq. Barclay Damon LLP Barclay Damon Tower 125 East Jefferson Street Syracuse, NY 13202

(B) The Agency and the Company may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses or modes of communication to which subsequent notices, certificates and other communications shall be sent.

Section 4.05. All covenants and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Agency and the Company shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the Agency and the Company whether so expressed or not.

Section 4.06. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall be deemed the obligations and agreements of the Agency, and not of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his individual capacity, and the members, officers, agents and employees of the Agency shall not be liable personally hereon or be

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subject to any personal liability or accountability base upon or in respect hereof or of any transaction contemplated hereby. The obligations and agreements of the Agency contained herein shall not constitute or give rise to an obligation of the State of New York or of Jefferson County, New York and neither the State of New York nor Jefferson County, New York shall be liable thereon and, further, such obligations and agreements shall not constitute or give rise to a general obligation of the Agency but, rather, shall constitute limited obligations of the Agency payable solely from the revenues of the Agency derived and to be derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of the Project Facility.

Section 4.07. Notwithstanding any provision of this Preliminary Agreement to the contrary, the Agency shall not be obligated to take any action pursuant to any provision hereof unless (A) the Agency has been requested to do so in writing by the Company; and (B) if compliance with such request is reasonably expected to result in the incurrence by the Agency (or any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency) of any liability, fees, expenses or other costs, the Agency shall have received from the Company security or indemnity satisfactory to the Agency for protection against all such liability and for the reimbursement of all such fees, expenses and other costs.

Section 4.08. This Preliminary Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Preliminary Agreement, and any amendments hereto or, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in portable document format (PDF), shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. No party shall raise the use of a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in PDF to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature was transmitted or communicated through such means as a defense to the formation of an agreement and each party forever waives any such defense.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into this Preliminary Agreement as of the day and date first written above.

DEV	ELOPMENT AGENCY
Ву:	David J. Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer
WAL	DDINGHAM ROAD SOLAR, LLC
By:	Chris Clark, Authorized Officer

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