The Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency held their board meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2022 in the board room at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY.

Present: Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., William Johnson, Paul Warneck, David Converse

Zoom: Lisa L'Huillier

Excused: None

Absent: W. Edward Walldroff, John Jennings

Also Present: Craig Fox (Watertown Daily Times), and Zachary Grady from Channel 7 News Zoom: Justin Miller, Esq., Rob Aiken, Christine Powers, Kent Burto

Staff Present: David Zembiec, Marshall Weir, Lyle Eaton, Peggy Sampson, Joy Nuffer, Jay Matteson

- I. Call to Order: Chairman Aliasso called the meeting to order at 8:23 a.m.
- II. Privilege of the Floor: Chairman Aliasso invited guests to speak. No one spoke.
- III. Minutes: Minutes of the meeting held March 3, 2022 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Converse. All in favor. Carried.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: Mr. Warneck reviewed the financials for the period ending March 31, 2022. He said it will be easier to make sense of the budget/financials next month due to the recent accounting software conversion (which includes the stub period balances). He reported that Current Applications paid off their loan and that the loan in default made a small payment. He said the final numbers are in for the 146 Arsenal Street remediation project. He said the total was \$2,540,020.96. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Warneck to accept the financial statement as presented, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. Carried.

**Proposed 15-month Budget (10/1/21 - 12/31/22)** – Mr. Eaton said that he made some minor changes and cleaned up some errors. A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to adopt the 15-month budget as presented, seconded by Mr. Converse. All in favor. Carried.

### V. Committee Reports:

a. Alternative Energy Ad Hoc Committee – Mr. Warneck said that the committee has met twice since the last board meeting for two proposed utility scale projects. He said that they met with EDF Renewables for their proposed project in the Towns of Orleans and Clayton which is currently in the ORES process, but noted that their application was deemed incomplete twice. He said they expect to submit further information within the next two to three months. Mr. Warneck said that he suggested to EDF that they hold off on making an application to the IDA until the ORES process is complete. He said that the board needs to decide when they can start to negotiate once we know what the draft permit conditions are. Mr. Warneck said that we pointed out to EDF that we expect negotiations with all of the taxing jurisdictions especially if there will be host community agreements. He said that we also pointed out some of the concerns we have heard from schools about the impact on the tax cap calculations at the end of the PILOT.

Mr. Warneck said the committee also met with Borrego for their proposed project in the Towns of Rutland and Watertown. He said that it is very preliminary and indicated that they have not submitted an application to the state yet and are hoping to enter into construction in 2024-2025. They are expecting a 12 to 18-month review process to get to a complete application.

Mr. Johnson inquired about Boralex. Mr. Warneck said that we have not met with them, but indicated that their ORES application has been deemed complete. They are now in the 60-day window waiting for permit conditions.

Chairman Aliasso pointed out that these projects will be a deviation and create a fair amount of work; therefore, he wanted to know at what point do we use an escrow agreement. Mr. Zembiec said it is something we should discuss because these projects are so large. He said that he will discuss it with Attorney Miller.

b. Building and Grounds Ad Hoc Committee – Mr. Burto reported that the YMCA is in the process of finalizing their costs for design changes. He said there is a proposal to extend the lease agreement until June which will allow us more time to negotiate an amendment to the ground lease once the YMCA has their guaranteed maximum price.

Mr. Warneck asked what type of alterations are being considered for the ground lease. Mr. Zembiec said the original ground lease did not include the additional area for the pool and responsibility for the generator.

Mr. Burto left the meeting.

- **c.** Loan Review Committee Mr. Converse said the loan review committee met last week and had two requests.
  - i. Resolution No. 04.07.2022.01 for RBM Manufacturing Corp. Mr. Converse said there was a request for a 6-month period of interest only effective 3/1/22 and an adjustment to the amortization schedule adding those six months to the end of the loan. He noted that things slowed down last year due to the owner getting COVID and not being able to work for a period of time and the lack of trucks. He said that moving forward they are looking to get more contracts and franchises.

A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Converse. All in favor. Carried.

ii. Resolution No. 04.07.2022.02 for Convalt Energy, Inc. – Mr. Converse said that they have the proposal for our airport park. He said they are moving ahead and have equipment coming in from across the country and said that they requested a \$850,000 bridge loan from us to offset that. Mr. Zembiec said this upfront loan will give us time to allow the other local agencies to review and make their commitments and we will adjust ours back down as appropriate.

Chairman Aliasso read the resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Converse to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. Carried.

### VI. Unfinished Business:

- 1. Resolution No. 04.07.2022.03 for tree clearing at Business Complex at Watertown International Chairman Aliasso said that we had to remove trees before April 1<sup>st</sup> and because of the timing issue the board will ratify the selection on Black River Tree Removal for a total of \$42,500. A motion was made by Mr. Converse to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Warneck. All in favor. Carried.
- 1. YMCA Ground Lease Extension for 146 Arsenal Street Proposed Third Amendment to Lease Agreement Chairman Aliasso said the Third Amendment extends the contingency period from 4/15/22 to 6/2/22. A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the Third Amendment to Lease Agreement, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll call vote was taken. Mr. Jennings Absent, Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Walldroff Absent, Mr. Warneck Yea, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea, and Mr. Aliasso Yea. Carried.

#### VII. New Business:

1. County of Jefferson ARPA Fund Contract – Chairman Aliasso said that we have not received the contract from the County and indicated that it may be ready for the next meeting.

### VIII. Counsel:

- 2. Authorizing Resolution No. 04.07.2022.04 for CWT Farms International, Inc. Chairman Aliasso reviewed the resolution. Attorney Miller said that the company increased the square footage, have finalized their plans and seems ready to proceed with construction. A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll call vote was taken. Mr. Aliasso Yea, Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Jennings Absent, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea, Mr. Walldroff Absent, and Mr. Warneck Yea. Carried.
- 3. Authorizing Resolution No. 04.07.2022.05 for OYA Ellisburg Solar LLC Attorney Miller said the two OYA projects are tracking at the same time and are ready to proceed to a closing. Chairman Aliasso reviewed the resolution. A motion was made by Mr. Converse to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll call vote was taken. Mr. Aliasso Yea, Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Jennings Absent, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea, Mr. Walldroff Absent, and Mr. Warneck Yea. Carried.
- 4. Authorizing Resolution No. 04.07.2022.06 for OYA Lane Road LLC Chairman Aliasso reviewed the resolution. A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the resolution, seconded by Ms. L'Huillier. Roll call vote was taken. Mr. Aliasso Yea, Mr. Converse Yea, Mr. Jennings Absent, Mr. Johnson Yea, Ms. L'Huillier Yea, Mr. Walldroff Absent, and Mr. Warneck Yea. Carried.

**IX. Adjournment:** With no further business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Converse, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Sampson

### JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Resolution Number 04.07.2022.01

# RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZING A MODIFICATION TO THE REVOLVING LOAN TO RBM MANUFACTURING CORP.

WHEREAS, RBM Manufacturing Corp. has requested a 6-month period of interest only payments, effective March 1, 2022, and an adjustment to the amortization schedule adding those 6 months to the end of the loan. The current balance on the \$400,000 loan is \$381,391.11 as of February 28, 2022, and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends approval of the request, and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2022, the Loan Review Committee of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency reviewed this request and recommended approval of the loan modification to the full Board of Directors, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Directors of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency that it herein approves the modification request and that all terms and conditions of the original loan remain in effect, and be it further,

**RESOLVED,** that the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and/or Chief Executive Officer are authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

David J. Zembiec

CEO

### JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Resolution Number 04.07.2022.02

# RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZING A REVOLVING BRIDGE LOAN TO CONVALT ENERGY, INC.

WHEREAS, On March 30, 2022, the JCIDA Loan Review Committee recommended an Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollar (\$850,000) bridge loan to Convalt Energy, Inc. for working capital to help cover the cost of transporting equipment from Oregon to Watertown, NY and other miscellaneous expenses. The equipment will be used in the proposed 315,000 square foot facility adjacent to the Watertown International Airport where it will manufacture solar panels under its subsidiary, Convalt Manufacturing, LLC, and

WHEREAS, the JCIDA anticipates other economic development agencies to participate in a longer term 7-year loan totaling \$1,250,000, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency that it herein approves the request for an Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollar (\$850,000) interest only demand note-bridge loan to Convalt Energy, Inc. with an interest rate of 3%. The demand note will be converted once the permanent financing is closed. All terms and conditions are set forth in this Resolution, and be it further,

**RESOLVED,** that the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and/or Chief Executive Officer are authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

David J. Zembiec

CEO

### JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Resolution Number 04.07.2022.03

### To Ratify Selection of Black River Tree Removal LLC For

### Tree Clearing at Business Complex at Watertown International

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (The Agency) owns approximately 88 acres known as the "Business Complex at Watertown International"; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to facilitate the development of a new manufacturing facility at the site which would provide significant economic benefit to Jefferson County because of its significant capital investment and job creation; and

WHEREAS, the Agency also plans to develop a public road through the property to facilitate access and additional long-term business development at the site, and the proposed tree removal is needed to allow realignment of that roadway in order to create a safer curve radius for the passage of large shipping vehicles along that road; and

WHEREAS, there is an annual ban on tree cutting from April 1 through October 31 to protect potential roosting habitat for threatened and endangered species of bats; and

WHEREAS, to delay tree removal until November 1 would delay construction of the proposed manufacturing facility (thereby threatening the viability of the project) and would also delay construction of the public road necessary to effectively and safely access the property; and

WHEREAS, in the limited time available, the Agency was able to obtain a quote from one company able to immediately undertake and complete the project by the March 31 deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's procurement guidelines allows it to waive its typical requirements when impractical; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Agency's board of directors hereby ratifies the selection of Black River Tree Removal, LLC to remove the identified trees for the total of \$42,500, and be it further,

**RESOLVED,** that the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and/or Chief Executive Officer or his designee are authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

David J. Zembiec

CEO

### PROJECT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

(CWT Farms International, Inc. Project)

A regular meeting of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency was convened on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

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

Resolution No. 04.07.2022.04

RESOLUTION **COUNTY** OF THE **JEFFERSON** INDUSTRIAL **DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (i) APPOINTING **CWT FARMS** INTERNATIONAL, INC., FOR ITSELF AND/OR ON BEHALF OF ONE OR MORE 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, CWT Farms International, Inc., for itself and/or on behalf of an entity to be formed (collectively, the "Company"), has submitted an Application for Financial Assistance (the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in an approximately 6 acres of vacant real property located a 20835 Alexander Drive in the Town of Watertown, New York 13601 (the "Land", being more particularly described as TMID No 82.00-2-1.5 and Lot 8 in the TIAg Park), (ii) the planning, design, construction, equipping and operation of an approximately 49,000 square foot poultry hatchery facility, including hatching spaces, warehousing, storage, shipping, receiving, office and mechanical spaces, external parking improvements, curbage, landscaping, storm water management and related site improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition in and around the Improvements and of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property and equipment (the "Equipment" and, collectively

with the Land and the Improvements, the "<u>Facility</u>"), 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 "<u>Straight Lease Transaction</u>"); and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2022, 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 Town of Watertown (the "Town"), the County of Jefferson (the "County"), and the Watertown City School District (the "School", and together with the Town and County, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions") at least ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency held a public hearing on February 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at Town of Watertown Municipal Building, 22867 County Route 67, Watertown, New York 13601 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 Town Planning Board of the Town of Watertown (the "Planning Board") 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 JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. 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 Town, 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 Planning Board 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 Planning Board 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 December 31, 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 \$5,210,075, which result in New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") not to exceed \$416,806.00. 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).

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act, the Agency may recover or 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.

Section 6. The Chairman (or Vice Chairman), Executive Director (or Deputy 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 Chief Executive Officer 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 Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") including the resolution contained therein, held on April 7, 2022, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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David. J. Zembiec, CEO

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# EXHIBIT A PUBLIC HEARING MATERIALS



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

January 19, 2022

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

To:

The Chief Executive Officers of

Affected Tax Jurisdictions on Schedule A

Re:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency

CWT Farms International, Inc. Project

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please note that on February 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at Town of Watertown Municipal Building, 22867 County Route 67, Watertown, New York 13601, 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, and the Agency will also conduct a concurrent virtual public hearing via live audio broadcast. 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.

Very truly yours,

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

# Schedule A Affected Tax Jurisdiction Officials

### Jefferson County, New York

Attn: William Johnson, Chairman, Co. Leg. 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601

### Watertown City School District

Attn: Maria T. Mesires, Chair, BOE 1351 Washington Street, P.O. Box 586 Watertown, New York 13601

### Town of Watertown, New York

Attn: Joel Bartlett, Town Supervisor Town of Watertown Municipal Building 22867 County Route 67 Watertown, New York 13601

### Jefferson County, New York

Attn: Robert Hagemann, County Admin. 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601

### Watertown City School District

Attn: Patricia LaBarr, Superintendent 1351 Washington Street, P.O. Box 586 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 Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the Town of Watertown Municipal Building, 22867 County Route 67, Watertown, New York 13601, in connection with the matter described below.

CWT Farms International, Inc., for itself and/or on behalf of an entity to be formed (collectively, the "Company"), has submitted an Application for Financial Assistance (the "Application") requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in an approximately 6 acres of vacant real property located a 20835 Alexander Drive in the Town of Watertown, New York 13601 (the "Land", being more particularly described as TMID No 82.00-2-1.5 and Lot 8 in the TIAg Park), (ii) the planning, design, construction, equipping and operation of an approximately 49,000 square foot poultry hatchery facility, including hatching spaces, warehousing, storage, shipping, receiving, office and mechanical spaces, external parking improvements, curbage, landscaping, storm water management and related site improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition in and around the Improvements and of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property and equipment (the "Equipment" and, collectively 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 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 a payment-in-lieu-of-tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company would make payments in lieu of real property taxes to the Agency for the benefit of each affected tax jurisdiction (the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions").

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: <u>JCIDA - Jefferson County, NY Economic Development</u>. 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 <u>Jefferson County New York Economic Development - YouTube</u> in accordance with Section 857 of the Act. 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@icida.com.

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

DATED: January 21, 2022

### EXHIBIT B 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			
Lundy Construction, LLC			
Name of Action or Project:	V) ************************************		
CWT Farms International Chicken Hatchery			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
Lot 8, TI Agpark			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:		-	
Construction of a 48,480 s.f. chicken hatchery			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 315-493-2493	3	
Michael E. Lundy	E-Mail: frontdesk@mlund	ygroup.com	
Address:			-
18841 US Route 11			
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	
Watertown	New York	13601	
<ol> <li>Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, loca administrative rule, or regulation?</li> </ol>	l law, ordinance,	NO	YES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the e		at 🗸	
may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to ques			<u> </u>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:	r government Agency?	NO	YES
NYS Building Permit			V
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	6.0 acres	*	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?     c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned	4.9 acres		
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	150+ acres		
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:			
☐ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☑ Industrial ☑ Commercia	l Residential (subur	ban)	
Forest Agriculture Aquatic Other(Spec	ify):		
Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		V	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?		V	
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?		МО	YES
			V
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:		~	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO	YES
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?		V	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed	-	V	
action?			V
1 1	L	NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:	_		V
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:	_		V
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?	_	NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
Use of temporary leach field syustem until permanent sewer is availble	_	Ш	~
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district		NO	YES
which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places?		V	
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		V	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	-	NO V	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	-	V	님
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:	\$ top 1,000 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00		
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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:		
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 Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?		닏
programme to year nood plan:	NO	YES
	V	
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,	NO	YES
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	冒	V
<ul> <li>b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)?</li> <li>If Yes, briefly describe:</li> </ul>		V
New Storm Water System		
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:	NO	YES
, I am at purpose and one of the impoundment.	V	
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
	V	
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe:	V	
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEING KNOWLEDGE	ST OF	
Applicant/sponsor/name: Michael E. Lundy Date: 12-14-21		
Signature:		_

	If applicable)	ncy Use Only	Age
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### 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?"

1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
L	regulations:	$\boxtimes$	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	X	
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.	affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	X	
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?	X	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing:  a. public / private water supplies?	X	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	X	П
	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	X	
	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	×	
	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.

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Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analy that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or sign environmental impact statement is required.	gnificant adverse impacts and an
Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analy that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse/environment	sis above, and any supporting documentation,
Town of Watertown Planning Board Ja	nuary 3, 2022
- Chandy Vacs SEOR	Date  Coordinator  le of Responsible Officer
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency  Signature of Pre	parer (if different from Responsible Officer)

### PROJECT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

(OYA Ellisburg Solar LLC Project)

A regular meeting of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency was convened on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

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

Resolution No. 04.07.2022.05

RESOLUTION OF THE **JEFFERSON** COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (i) APPOINTING OYA ELLISBURG SOLAR LLC, 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 A 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); AND (iv) 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, OYA ELLISBURG SOLAR LLC, for itself and/or for an entity or entities to be formed (collectively, 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 by the Agency of a leasehold interest in approximately 30 acres of real property located at 13624 County Route 91 in the Town of Ellisburg, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as a portion of tax parcel No. 112.00-1-26.1); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 5MWac PV solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, collectively 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 March 3, 2022, 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); (iv) authorized the negotiation of an Agent and Financial Assistance and Project Agreement (the "Agent Agreement"), Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement") and Payment-in-lieu-of-Tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") to be entered into with respect to the Project and (v) adopted findings with respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto at 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (collectively referred to as "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Initial Project Resolution, the Agency published and forwarded a Notice of Public Hearing to the Town of Ellisburg (the "Town"), the County of Jefferson (the "County"), and the Belleville Henderson Central School District (the "School", and together with the Town and County, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions") at least ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency held a public hearing on Friday, March 25, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. local time, at Town of Ellisburg Municipal Office, 11574 South Main Street, Ellisburg, New York 13636, 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, 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; and (iii) the provision of the Financial Assistance to the Company, which shall include 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON 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, Improvements and the Equipment constituting the Facility, (ii) lease or sell the Agency's interest in the Land, 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 Town of Ellisburg, 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.
- Section 2. Subject to (i) the Company executing the Agent Agreement and 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 December 31, 2022 (unless extended for good cause by the Executive Director of the Agency).
- Section 3. 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 (the "Straight Lease Documents") with such changes as shall be approved by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, the Executive Director and counsel to the Agency upon execution.
- Section 4. Based upon the representation and warranties made by the Company the Application, the Company has not requested, nor has the Agency approved the provision of financial assistance in the form of exemptions from New York State and local sales and use tax

in connection with the construction or equipping of the Project. The Agency may consider any requests by the Company for sales and use tax exemption benefits upon being provided with a supplemental application and appropriate documentation detailing the 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 5. 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 or other financial assistance 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 contained herein and/or within the Straight Lease Documents 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 (as applicable) 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 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 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 7. 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 Chief Executive Officer 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 Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") including the resolution contained therein, held on April 7, 2022, 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 \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

David J. Zembiec, CEO

[SEAL]

# EXHIBIT A PUBLIC HEARING MATERIALS



### Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency

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www.jcida.com

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

March 10, 2022

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

To:

The Chief Executive Officers of

Affected Tax Jurisdictions on Schedule A

Re:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency

OYA Ellisburg Solar LLC Project

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please note that on Friday, March 25, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. local time, at Town of Ellisburg Municipal Building, 11574 South Main Street, Ellisburg, New York 13636, 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.

Very truly yours,

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

### Schedule A

Jefferson County, New York

Attn: William W. Johnson Chairman, County Legislature

195 Arsenal Street

Watertown, New York 13601

Jefferson County, New York

Attn: Robert F. Hagemann III

County Administrator

195 Arsenal Street

Watertown, New York 13601

Belleville-Henderson Central School District

Attn: John W. Allen

President, Board of Education

8372 County Route 75

Adams, New York 13605

Belleville-Henderson Central School District

Attn: Jane A. Collins

Superintendent

8372 County Route 75

Adams, New York 13605

Town of Ellisburg, New York

Attn: Douglas Shelmidine

Town Supervisor

11574 South Main Street

Ellisburg, New York 13636

Town of Ellisburg, New York

Attn: Cindy Shaw Town Assessor

11574 South Main Street

Ellisburg, New York 13636

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https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355250468?pwd=R0t4VjRPdGJBZDJrL2JQYVVjKytDdz09 Meeting ID: 843 5525 0468, Passcode: 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 <a href="mailto:dzembiec@jcida.com">dzembiec@jcida.com</a>.

DATED: March 11, 2022 JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

### PROJECT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

(OYA Lane Road LLC Project)

A regular meeting of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency was convened on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

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

Resolution No. 04.07.2022.06

OF **JEFFERSON** COUNTY RESOLUTION THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (i) APPOINTING OYA LANE ROAD LLC, 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 A 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); AND (iv) 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, **OYA LANE ROAD LLC**, for itself and/or for an entity or entities to be formed (collectively, 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 by the Agency of a leasehold interest in approximately 20 acres of real property located at 22106 Lane Road in the Town of Pamelia, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as a portion of tax parcel No. 74.13-1-1.1); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 3.1MWac PV solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, collectively 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 March 3, 2022, 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); (iv) authorized the negotiation of an Agent and Financial Assistance and Project Agreement (the "Agent Agreement"), Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement") and Payment-in-lieu-of-Tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") to be entered into with respect to the Project and (v) adopted findings with respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto at 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (collectively referred to as "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Initial Project Resolution, the Agency published and forwarded a Notice of Public Hearing to the Town of Pamelia (the "Town"), the County of Jefferson (the "County"), and the General Brown Central School District (the "School", and together with the Town and County, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions") at least ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency held a public hearing on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. local time, at Town of Pamelia Municipal Office, 25859 State Route 37, Watertown, New York 13601, 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, 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; and (iii) the provision of the Financial Assistance to the Company, which shall include 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON 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, Improvements and the Equipment constituting the Facility, (ii) lease or sell the Agency's interest in the Land, 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 Town of Pamelia, 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.
- Section 2. Subject to (i) the Company executing the Agent Agreement and 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 December 31, 2022 (unless extended for good cause by the Executive Director of the Agency).
- Section 3. 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 (the "Straight Lease Documents") with such changes as shall be approved by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, the Executive Director and counsel to the Agency upon execution.
- Section 4. Based upon the representation and warranties made by the Company the Application, the Company has not requested, nor has the Agency approved the provision of financial assistance in the form of exemptions from New York State and local sales and use tax

in connection with the construction or equipping of the Project. The Agency may consider any requests by the Company for sales and use tax exemption benefits upon being provided with a supplemental application and appropriate documentation detailing the 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 5. 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 or other financial assistance 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 contained herein and/or within the Straight Lease Documents 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 (as applicable) 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 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 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 7. 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 Chief Executive Officer 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 Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") including the resolution contained therein, held on April 7, 2022, 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.

David J. Zembiec, CEO

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# EXHIBIT A PUBLIC HEARING MATERIALS



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

March 10, 2022

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

To:

The Chief Executive Officers of

Affected Tax Jurisdictions on Schedule A

Re:

Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency

OYA Lane Road LLC Project

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please note that on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. local time, at Town of Pamelia Municipal Building, 25859 State Route 37, Watertown, New York 13601, 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.

Very truly yours,

JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

# Schedule A Affected Tax Jurisdiction Officials

### Jefferson County, New York

Attn: William W. Johnson Chairman, County Legislature 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601

### General Brown Central School District

Attn: Kelly Milkowich President, Board of Education 17643 Cemetery Road P. O. Box 500 Dexter, New York 13634

### Town of Pamelia, New York

Attn: Scott J. Allen Town Supervisor 25859 NYS Route 37 Watertown, NY 13601

### Jefferson County, New York

Attn: Robert F. Hagemann III County Administrator 195 Arsenal Street Watertown, New York 13601

### General Brown Central School District

Attn: Barbara J. Case Superintendent 17643 Cemetery Road P. O. Box 500 Dexter, New York 13634

### Town of Pamelia, New York

Attn: Alex Marchenkoff Town Assessor 25859 NYS Route 37 Watertown, NY 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 Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. local time, at Town of Pamelia Municipal Building, 25859 State Route 37, Watertown, New York 13601 in connection with the matter described below.

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The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance to the Company with respect to the Project (collectively, the "Financial Assistance") in the form of a partial real property tax abatement provided through a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement ("PILOT Agreement").

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 <a href="https://www.jcida.com">www.jcida.com</a>. Interested parties will be provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views with respect to the Project. The Agency will also broadcast the public hearing at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355250468?pwd=R0t4VjRPdGJBZDJrL2JQYVVjKytDdz09
Meeting ID: 843 5525 0468, Passcode: 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: March 11, 2022 JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY