#### SL Portland (Fay) Deviation Approval Resolution

A regular meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session on June 28, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., local time, at (i) the offices of the Agency located at 201 West 3rd Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "IDA Office"), and (ii) the SUNY Fredonia Tech Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "Incubator"), and was conducted by videoconferencing in compliance with Section 103-a of the New York State Public Officers Law.

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

#### PRESENT:

Michael Metzger	Chairman	Incubator
Dennis J. Rak	Vice Chairman	Incubator
Hans Auer	Treasurer	IDA Office
Gary Henry	Secretary	IDA Office
Brad Walters	Member	IDA Office
Jay Churchill	Member	IDA Office
Kevin Muldowney	Member	Incubator
Rhonda Johnson	Member	IDA Office

#### NOT PRESENT:

Steven Thorpe Member

#### THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Mark Geise Administrative Director/CEO Richard E. Dixon Chief Financial Officer Milan K. Tyler, Esq. Counsel Jeanette Lo Bello **CCIDA Staff** Carol Rasmussen **CCIDA Staff** Kristine Morabito **CCIDA Staff** Kayla Strandburg **CCIDA Staff** Jason Toczydlowski **CCIDA Staff** Crystal Erhard **CCIDA Staff** Nate Aldrich **CCIDA Staff** Tim Odell Staff Intern Nathan Rizzo Solar Liberty Adam Rizzo Solar Liberty Thierry Demoly ABO John Gula ABO

The attached resolution no. 06-28-22-01 was offered by Kevin Muldowney, seconded by Dennis Rak:

#### Resolution No. 06-28-22-01

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DEVIATION FROM THE UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY OF THE COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO A PROJECT FOR SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the Laws of 1969 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation 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, SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 16.3 acre parcel of land located at 8682 Fay Street, Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads,

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parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 3.6 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Application states that the Applicant is seeking an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements that, if granted, would constitute a deviation from the Agency's established Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Tax Exemption Policy") that is published on the Agency's website; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency caused letters dated June 8, 2022 (the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letters") to be mailed to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction, informing said individuals that the Agency would, at its meeting on June 28, 2022 (the "IDA Meeting"), consider a proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy with respect to the payment in lieu of taxes agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Improvements; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on the date hereof and reviewed any comments and correspondence received with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to provide for compliance with the provisions of Section 874(4) of the Act with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy;

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

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has fully complied with the requirements of Section 874(4) of the Act relating to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy.

Section 2. Prior to making the determinations set forth in this Resolution, the members of the Agency have considered and weighed all of the factors set forth in the Tax Exemption Policy.

Section 3. Having reviewed all written comments and correspondence received at or prior to the IDA Meeting, the Agency hereby approves the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy as described in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters (copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A) because the Property Tax Exemption (as defined in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters) is necessary to induce the Applicant to undertake the Project in

Chautauqua County. Deviating from the Policy in this instance will advance the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York and Chautauqua County.

Section 4. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution. If the Agency hereafter adopts appropriate final approving resolutions with respect to the proposed straight-lease transaction with the Applicant (the "Transaction"), the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, to cause the Agency to (A) enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement providing for, among other things, the making of payments in lieu of property taxes consistent with the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters, and (B) file an application for real property tax exemption with the appropriate assessor(s) with respect to the Improvements.

<u>Section 5</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately, but is subject to and conditioned upon the closing of the Transaction.

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

Michael Metzger	AYE
Dennis J. Rak	AYE
Hans Auer	AYE
Gary Henry	AYE
Steven Thorpe	ABSENT
Brad Walters	AYE
Jay Churchill	AYE
Kevin Muldowney	AYE
Rhonda Johnson	AYE

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA	)

WE, the undersigned officers of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 28, 2022 with the original thereof on file in our offices, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public at both locations at which members of the Agency were present, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; (D) the meeting was duly held by videoconferencing in compliance with the requirements of Section 103-a of the Open Meetings Law, including, but not limited to, the notice provisions of such Section; (E) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting and the minimum number of members required for a quorum was physically present at one of the locations specified in the notice of the meeting, (F) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law; (G) members of the public were permitted to view such meeting via video and to participate in the proceedings via videoconference in real time to the same extent that that public participation was permitted to members of the public present in person.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of June, 2022.

Accietant | Secretary

Vice Chairman

### EXHIBIT A

Pilot Deviation Notice Letters

See Attached



June 8, 2022

# EMAIL & US MAIL DISTRIBUTION CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT DELIVERY AND READ RECEIPTS REQUESTED

Richard Lewis, Town Supervisor Town of Portland 87 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

Barb Smith, Town Clerk Town of Portland 87 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

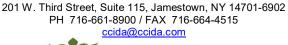
Robert Mead-Colegrove School Board President Brocton CSD 138 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716 Joseph Delcamp, Superintendent Brocton CSD 138 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

Chautauqua County County Executive, Wendel 3 North Erie St. Mayville, NY 14757

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVIATION FROM UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY AND GUIDELINES

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") to be held on June 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., local time, simultaneously at the offices of the Agency, 201 West Third Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York, and at the SUNY Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York, the Agency will consider whether to approve the application of SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), for certain "financial assistance" which, if granted, would







deviate from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Policy") with respect to the payment of real property taxes.

The Applicant submitted an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 16.3 acre parcel of land located at 8682 Fay Street, Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 3.6 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Project Facility would be initially owned, operated and/or managed by the Applicant (or such other designated entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency).

The Application states that the Applicant is seeking an abatement of real property taxes with respect the Project Facility. Based upon negotiations between representatives of the Applicant and the Agency, the parties contemplate that the Agency may agree to grant a real property tax exemption with respect to the Improvements only (the "Property Tax Exemption"). The Property Tax Exemption would result in a payment in lieu of taxes ("PILOT") agreement between the Agency and the Applicant and/or its affiliates having a term of twenty-five (25) fiscal tax years (the "PILOT Term"), with annual PILOT payments with respect to the Improvements as follows:

<b>PILOT Year</b>	<b>Annual PILOT Payment</b>
1	\$3,500 per Megawatt A/C
2	Year 1 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
3	Year 2 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
4	Year 3 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
5	Year 4 PILOT Payment increased by 2%







6	Year 5 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
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9	Year 8 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
10	Year 9 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
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14	Year 13 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
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20	Year 19 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
21	Year 20 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
22	Year 21 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
23	Year 22 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
24	Year 23 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
25	Year 24 PILOT Payment increased by 2%

No exemption from real property taxes and assessments would be granted by the Agency with respect to the Land or the existing improvements thereon and the Land and such improvements would remain on the tax rolls as taxable property subject to taxation at their then current, full assessed value, as the same may be reassessed from time to time, and subject to tax rate increases imposed by the affected tax jurisdictions.

Thereafter, and through the end of the term of the lease or installment sale agreement with respect to the Project Facility, the payments would be equal to the real property taxes and assessments that would be payable as if the Improvements were returned to the tax rolls as taxable property and subject to taxation at its then current, full assessed value, as the same may be reassessed from time to time, and subject to tax rate increases imposed by the affected tax jurisdictions.

The Property Tax Exemption, if approved by the Agency, would be a deviation from the Policy.

The reason for the proposed deviation is that the Property Tax Exemption, if approved by the Agency, is necessary to induce the Applicant to undertake the Project in Chautauqua County. Deviating from the Policy in



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The meeting will be streamed on the Agency's website in real-time and a recording of the meeting will be posted on the Agency's website, all in accordance with Section 857 of the New York General Municipal Law, as amended.

Copies of the Application, including the request for a deviation from the Policy, are available for review by the public online at <a href="www.ccida.com">www.ccida.com</a>. For additional assistance, contact the Agency at (716) 661-8900.

COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: Richard E. Dixon

Chief Financial Officer



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The attached resolution no. 06-28-22-02 was offered by Kevin Muldowney, seconded by Dennis Rak:

#### Resolution No. 06-28-22-02

# RESOLUTION TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD AND APPROVING THE STRAIGHT LEASE DOCUMENTS FOR A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the Laws of 1969 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation 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, SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 16.3 acre parcel of land located at 8682 Fay Street, Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the

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WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, any approval of the Project is contingent upon, inter alia, a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the Agency that (A) the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in the Act relating to the Project have been satisfied; and (B) the undertaking of the Project by the Agency and the granting of the Financial Assistance are and will be in compliance with all other applicable requirements of the Act, SEQRA (as hereinafter defined), and all other statutes, codes, laws, rules and regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project and/or the Project Facility (collectively, the "Applicable Laws"); and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act (the "Public Hearing") to hear all persons interested in the Project and the Financial Assistance contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on June 8, 2022 to the chief executive officer of the County of Chautauqua (the "County") and of each other affected tax jurisdiction within which the Project Facility is or is to be located, and posted a copy of the Application on the Agency's website; (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on June 9, 2022 in [*The Observer*], a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the County; (C) caused the Public Hearing to be conducted on June 20, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at Town Hall, 87 West Main Street, Brocton, Town of Portland, County of Chautauqua, New York; (D) caused the Public Hearing to be streamed on the Agency's website in real-time and a recording of the Public Hearing to be posted on the Agency's website, all in accordance with Section 857 of the Act, as amended; and (E) caused a written report of the Public Hearing to be prepared which fairly summarizes the views presented at the Public Hearing and collected written comments from the public (collectively, the "Report") and distributed the Report to the members of 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 adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (the "Regulations" and collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Town of Portland on October 29, 2021, circulated a notice of intent to all Interested and Involved Agencies (as

those terms are used pursuant to SEQRA) stating the Town of Portland Town Board's intent to act as Lead Agency for the purpose of a coordinated SEQRA review of the Project together with a description of the Project, completed Environmental Assessment Form Part I, and application; and

WHEREAS, no other Interested or Involved Agency contested to the designation of the Town Board of the Town of Portland as Lead Agency for the coordinated SEQRA review of the Project within 30 days of the circulation of the notice of intent; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Portland is the Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, by resolution dated January 1, 2022, the Town Board of the Town of Portland determined that the Project was not one that was likely to result in a significant adverse environmental impact, and issued a "Negative Declaration" for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency, as an Involved Agency pursuant to SEQRA, is bound by the determination of significance issued by the Town Board of the Town of the Portland and is prohibited from conducting further environmental review pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency caused a letter dated June 8, 2022 (the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letter") to be mailed to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction, informing said individuals that the Agency would, at its meeting on June 28, 2022 (the "IDA Meeting"), consider a proposed deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Tax Exemption Policy") with respect to the payment in lieu of taxes agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Improvements and pursuant to which the Agency would grant an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements only; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on the date hereof, reviewed any comments and correspondence received with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy and approved the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency now desires to make its determination to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance, subject to the terms hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant and/or one (1) or more of its affiliates will (A) execute and deliver a certain Company Lease Agreement (the "Company Lease"), pursuant to which the Applicant and/or such affiliate(s) will grant to the Agency a leasehold interest in the Project Facility; (B) execute and deliver a certain Agency Lease Agreement (Uniform Project Agreement) (the "Agency Lease"), pursuant to which the Agency will grant to the Applicant and/or such affiliate(s) a subleasehold interest in the Project Facility; (C) execute and deliver a certain Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") pursuant to which the Agency would grant an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements only; and (D) execute and deliver certain other certificates, documents, instruments and agreements related to the Project (together with the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and the PILOT Agreement, collectively, the "Transaction Documents");

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

Section 1. In accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency has prepared a written cost-benefit analysis with respect to the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance (the "Analysis"). The Agency has reviewed the Application, the Report and the Analysis, and, based upon the representations made by the Applicant to the Agency and information obtained by the Agency, the Agency has reviewed and assessed all material information necessary to afford a reasonable basis for the Agency to make a determination to approve the Financial Assistance. In addition, the Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

- (a) based on the proposed use of the Project Facility as set forth in the Application, the economic effects of the Project on the area in which it is situated, and the employment reasonably expected to be created and/or maintained by the Project, and an analysis of how the Project contributes to the realization of the public purposes of promoting employment opportunities in the County and the prevention of economic deterioration in the County, the Project will constitute a commercial facility with a significant impact on the area in which it is situated, and will advance the Agency's purposes by promoting employment opportunities and preventing economic deterioration in the County. Therefore, the Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act;
- (b) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Applicant to undertake the Project in the County;
- (c) there is a likelihood that the Project would not be undertaken but for the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Applicant;
- (d) the completion of the Project Facility, the sublease thereof by the Agency to the Applicant and the operation thereof by the Applicant will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Applicant or any other occupant or user of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Applicant or any other occupant or user located within the State (but outside of the County). Therefore, the provisions of subdivision (1) of Section 862 of the Act are not and will not be violated as a result of the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Applicant;
- (e) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs, and increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State;
- (f) no funds of the Agency shall be used in connection with the Project for the purpose of preventing the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant, nor shall any funds of the Agency be given in connection with the Project to any group or

organization which is attempting to prevent the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant within the State, nor shall any funds of the Agency be used for advertising or promotional materials which depict elected or appointed government officials in either print or electronic media;

- (g) the Project Facility does not and will 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. For purposes of this finding, retail sales shall mean: (i) sales by a registered vendor under Article 28 of the New York Tax Law primarily engaged in the retail sale of tangible personal property, as defined in subparagraph (i) of paragraph four of subdivision (b) of section 1101 of the New York Tax Law; or (ii) sales of a service to such customers;
- (h) the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project will encourage and assist the Applicant in undertaking the Project in the County, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County and the State and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
- (i) the Project will not result in the removal or abandonment of a plant or facility of the Applicant or any other occupant or user of the Project Facility, currently located within the County.
- Section 2. The Agency hereby ratifies, confirms and approves all actions heretofore taken by the Administrative Director/CEO, Chief Financial Officer and the staff of the Agency with respect to the Application, the Analysis and the Public Hearing, including, without limitation, (a) those actions required to ensure full compliance with the requirements of the Act, SEQRA and all other Applicable Laws that relate to the Project, and (b) the appointment of the law firm of Phillips Lytle LLP as Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project.
- <u>Section 3</u>. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has fully complied with the requirements of the Act, SEQRA and all other Applicable Laws that relate to the Project.
- Section 4. Having considered fully all comments received at or in connection with the Public Hearing and the IDA Meeting, including correspondence received subsequent to the Public Hearing, the Agency hereby further determines to proceed with the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, subject to the terms hereof. The Agency hereby approves the granting of (a) an exemption from real property taxes having an estimated value of \$316,418.00, (b) an exemption from mortgage recording taxes in the maximum amount of \$67,835.00, and (c) an exemption from sales and use taxes in the maximum amount of \$251,056.34.
- Section 5. The Agency recognizes that due to the complexities of the proposed transaction it may become necessary that certain of the terms approved hereby may require

modifications from time to time which will not affect the intent and substance of the authorizations and approvals by the Agency herein. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency, acting individually or jointly, to approve modifications to the terms approved hereby which do not affect the intent and substance of this Resolution, but may include adjustments to the Financial Assistance granted hereunder. The approval of such modifications shall be evidenced by the certificate of determination of an Agency officer or the execution and delivery by some or all such Agency officers of relevant documents containing such modified terms.

Section 6. The Agency is hereby authorized to (a) acquire an interest in the Project Facility pursuant to the Company Lease and the other Transaction Documents, (b) grant a subleasehold interest in the Project Facility pursuant to the Agency Lease and the other Transaction Documents, (c) grant the Financial Assistance, (d) execute one (1) or more fee and leasehold mortgage, assignment of rents and leases, and security agreements in favor of such bank, governmental agency or financial institution as the Applicant may determine (such bank, governmental agency or financial institution, the "Bank"), encumbering the Project Facility, solely to subject the Agency's interest in the Project Facility to the lien thereof, all to secure one (1) or more loans made by the Bank to the Applicant with respect to the Project Facility, and (e) do all things necessary, convenient or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof. All acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the foregoing are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 7. The form and substance of the Transaction Documents, in the forms presented to the members of the Agency, together with such changes as the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO or the Chief Financial Officer may hereafter deem necessary or appropriate, are hereby approved. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, acting together or individually, to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which the Agency is a party 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. The execution and delivery of each such agreement, approval and consent by such person(s) shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 8. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are hereby further authorized, on behalf of the Agency, acting together or individually, to designate any additional Authorized Representatives (as defined in the Agency Lease) of the Agency.

Section 9. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, 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 Transaction Documents, to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments, agreements 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, convenient or appropriate to effect the purposes of this Resolution and to cause compliance with all of the terms, covenants

and provisions of the Transaction Documents to which the Agency is a party or which are binding on the Agency.

Section 10. The members of the Agency acknowledge the terms and conditions of Section 875(3) of the Act and the duties and obligations of the Agency thereunder with respect to granting of State Sales and Use Taxes (as such term is defined in Section 875 of the Act) with respect to the Project. The members hereby direct the officers of the Agency to comply with such terms and conditions with respect to the Project and hereby direct Counsel to the Agency to include such terms and conditions in all relevant Transaction Documents.

Section 11. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 12</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:

Michael Metzger	AYE
Dennis J. Rak	AYE
Hans Auer	AYE
Gary Henry	AYE
Steven Thorpe	ABSENT
Brad Walters	AYE
Jay Churchill	AYE
Kevin Muldowney	AYE
Rhonda Johnson	AYE

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA	)

WE, the undersigned officers of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 28, 2022 with the original thereof on file in our offices, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public at both locations at which members of the Agency were present, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; (D) the meeting was duly held by videoconferencing in compliance with the requirements of Section 103-a of the Open Meetings Law, including, but not limited to, the notice provisions of such Section; (E) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting and the minimum number of members required for a quorum was physically present at one of the locations specified in the notice of the meeting, (F) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law; (G) members of the public were permitted to view such meeting via video and to participate in the proceedings via videoconference in real time to the same extent that that public participation was permitted to members of the public present in person.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of June, 2022.

[Assistant] Secretary

Vice Chairman

#### SL Portland (Route 20) **Deviation Approval Resolution**

A regular meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session on June 28, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., local time, at (i) the offices of the Agency located at 201 West 3rd Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "IDA Office"), and (ii) the SUNY Fredonia Tech Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "Incubator"), and was conducted by videoconferencing in compliance with Section 103-a of the New York State Public Officers Law.

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

#### PRESENT:

Michael Metzger	Chairman	Incubator
Dennis J. Rak	Vice Chairman	Incubator
Hans Auer	Treasurer	IDA Office
Gary Henry	Secretary	IDA Office
Brad Walters	Member	IDA Office
Jay Churchill	Member	IDA Office
Kevin Muldowney	Member	Incubator
Rhonda Johnson	Member	IDA Office

#### NOT PRESENT:

Steven Thorpe Member

#### THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Mark Geise Administrative Director/CEO Richard E. Dixon Chief Financial Officer Milan K. Tyler, Esq. Counsel Jeanette Lo Bello **CCIDA Staff** Carol Rasmussen **CCIDA Staff** Kristine Morabito **CCIDA Staff** Kayla Strandburg **CCIDA Staff** Jason Toczydlowski **CCIDA Staff** Crystal Erhard **CCIDA Staff** Nate Aldrich **CCIDA Staff** Tim Odell Staff Intern Nathan Rizzo Solar Liberty Adam Rizzo Solar Liberty Thierry Demoly ABO

John Gula ABO The attached resolution no. 06-28-22-03 was offered by Gary Henry, seconded by Dennis Rak:

#### Resolution No. 06-28-22-03

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DEVIATION FROM THE UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY OF THE COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO A PROJECT FOR SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the Laws of 1969 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation 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, SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 17.23 acre parcel of land

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located on Route 20 (Parcel No. 161.00-1-42), Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 3.92 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Application states that the Applicant is seeking an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements that, if granted, would constitute a deviation from the Agency's established Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Tax Exemption Policy") that is published on the Agency's website; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency caused letters dated June 8, 2022 (the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letters") to be mailed to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction, informing said individuals that the Agency would, at its meeting on June 28, 2022 (the "IDA Meeting"), consider a proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy with respect to the payment in lieu of taxes agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Improvements; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on the date hereof and reviewed any comments and correspondence received with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to provide for compliance with the provisions of Section 874(4) of the Act with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy;

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

Section 1. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has fully complied with the requirements of Section 874(4) of the Act relating to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy.

Section 2. Prior to making the determinations set forth in this Resolution, the members of the Agency have considered and weighed all of the factors set forth in the Tax Exemption Policy.

Section 3. Having reviewed all written comments and correspondence received at or prior to the IDA Meeting, the Agency hereby approves the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy as described in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters (copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A) because the Property Tax Exemption (as defined in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters) is necessary to induce the Applicant to undertake the Project in Chautauqua County. Deviating from the Policy in this instance will advance the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York and Chautauqua County.

Section 4. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution. If the Agency hereafter adopts appropriate final approving resolutions with respect to the proposed straight-lease transaction with the Applicant (the "Transaction"), the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, to cause the Agency to (A) enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement providing for, among other things, the making of payments in lieu of property taxes consistent with the Pilot Deviation Notice Letters, and (B) file an application for real property tax exemption with the appropriate assessor(s) with respect to the Improvements.

<u>Section 5</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately, but is subject to and conditioned upon the closing of the Transaction.

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

Michael Metzger	AYE
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Dennis J. Rak	AYE
Hans Auer	AYE
Gary Henry	AYE
Steven Thorpe	ABSENT
Brad Walters	AYE
Jay Churchill	AYE
Kevin Muldowney	AYE
Rhonda Johnson	AYE

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA	)

WE, the undersigned officers of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 28, 2022 with the original thereof on file in our offices, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public at both locations at which members of the Agency were present, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; (D) the meeting was duly held by videoconferencing in compliance with the requirements of Section 103-a of the Open Meetings Law, including, but not limited to, the notice provisions of such Section; (E) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting and the minimum number of members required for a quorum was physically present at one of the locations specified in the notice of the meeting, (F) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law; (G) members of the public were permitted to view such meeting via video and to participate in the proceedings via videoconference in real time to the same extent that that public participation was permitted to members of the public present in person.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of June, 2022.

Assistant | Secretary

Vice Chairman

### EXHIBIT A

Pilot Deviation Notice Letters

See Attached



June 8, 2022

# EMAIL & US MAIL DISTRIBUTION CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT DELIVERY AND READ RECEIPTS REQUESTED

Richard Lewis, Town Supervisor Town of Portland 87 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

Barb Smith, Town Clerk Town of Portland 87 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

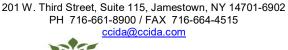
Robert Mead-Colegrove School Board President Brocton CSD 138 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716 Joseph Delcamp, Superintendent Brocton CSD 138 W. Main St. Brocton, NY 14716

Chautauqua County County Executive, Wendel 3 North Erie St. Mayville, NY 14757

### NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVIATION FROM UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY AND GUIDELINES

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") to be held on June 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., local time, simultaneously at the offices of the Agency, 201 West Third Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York, and at the SUNY Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York, the Agency will consider whether to approve the application of SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), for certain "financial assistance" which, if granted, would







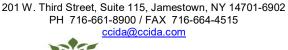
deviate from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Policy") with respect to the payment of real property taxes.

The Applicant submitted an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 17.23 acre parcel of land located on Route 20 (Parcel No. 161.00-1-42), Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 3.92 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Project Facility would be initially owned, operated and/or managed by the Applicant (or such other designated entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency).

The Application states that the Applicant is seeking an abatement of real property taxes with respect the Project Facility. Based upon negotiations between representatives of the Applicant and the Agency, the parties contemplate that the Agency may agree to grant a real property tax exemption with respect to the Improvements only (the "Property Tax Exemption"). The Property Tax Exemption would result in a payment in lieu of taxes ("PILOT") agreement between the Agency and the Applicant and/or its affiliates having a term of twenty-five (25) fiscal tax years (the "PILOT Term"), with annual PILOT payments with respect to the Improvements as follows:

PILOT Year	Annual PILOT Payment
1	\$3,500 per Megawatt A/C
2	Year 1 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
3	Year 2 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
4	Year 3 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
5	Year 4 PILOT Payment increased by 2%







6	Year 5 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
7	Year 6 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
8	Year 7 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
9	Year 8 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
10	Year 9 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
11	Year 10 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
12	Year 11 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
13	Year 12 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
14	Year 13 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
15	Year 14 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
16	Year 15 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
17	Year 16 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
18	Year 17 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
19	Year 18 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
20	Year 19 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
21	Year 20 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
22	Year 21 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
23	Year 22 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
24	Year 23 PILOT Payment increased by 2%
25	Year 24 PILOT Payment increased by 2%

No exemption from real property taxes and assessments would be granted by the Agency with respect to the Land or the existing improvements thereon and the Land and such improvements would remain on the tax rolls as taxable property subject to taxation at their then current, full assessed value, as the same may be reassessed from time to time, and subject to tax rate increases imposed by the affected tax jurisdictions.

Thereafter, and through the end of the term of the lease or installment sale agreement with respect to the Project Facility, the payments would be equal to the real property taxes and assessments that would be payable as if the Improvements were returned to the tax rolls as taxable property and subject to taxation at its then current, full assessed value, as the same may be reassessed from time to time, and subject to tax rate increases imposed by the affected tax jurisdictions.

The Property Tax Exemption, if approved by the Agency, would be a deviation from the Policy.

The reason for the proposed deviation is that the Property Tax Exemption, if approved by the Agency, is necessary to induce the Applicant to undertake the Project in Chautauqua County. Deviating from the Policy in





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The meeting will be streamed on the Agency's website in real-time and a recording of the meeting will be posted on the Agency's website, all in accordance with Section 857 of the New York General Municipal Law, as amended.

Copies of the Application, including the request for a deviation from the Policy, are available for review by the public online at <a href="https://www.ccida.com">www.ccida.com</a>. For additional assistance, contact the Agency at (716) 661-8900.

COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: Richard E. Dixon

Chief Financial Officer



### SL Portland (Route 20) - Approving Resolution

A regular meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session on June 28, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., local time, at (i) the offices of the Agency located at 201 West 3rd Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "IDA Office"), and (ii) the SUNY Fredonia Tech Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "Incubator"), and was conducted by videoconferencing in compliance with Section 103-a of the New York State Public Officers Law.

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

#### PRESENT:

Michael Metzger	Chairman	Incubator
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Hans Auer	Treasurer	IDA Office
Gary Henry	Secretary	IDA Office
Brad Walters	Member	IDA Office
Jay Churchill	Member	IDA Office
Kevin Muldowney	Member	Incubator
Rhonda Johnson	Member	IDA Office

#### NOT PRESENT:

Steven Thorpe Member

#### THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Mark Geise Administrative Director/CEO Richard E. Dixon Chief Financial Officer Milan K. Tyler, Esq. Counsel Jeanette Lo Bello **CCIDA Staff** Carol Rasmussen **CCIDA Staff** Kristine Morabito **CCIDA Staff** Kayla Strandburg **CCIDA Staff** Jason Toczydlowski **CCIDA Staff** Crystal Erhard **CCIDA Staff** Nate Aldrich **CCIDA Staff** Tim Odell Staff Intern Nathan Rizzo Solar Liberty

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The attached resolution no. 06-28-22-04 was offered by Gary Henry, seconded by Dennis Rak:

#### Resolution No. 06-28-22-04

# RESOLUTION TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD AND APPROVING THE STRAIGHT LEASE DOCUMENTS FOR A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the Laws of 1969 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation 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, SL PORTLAND COMMUNITY, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 17.23 acre parcel of land located on Route 20 (Parcel No. 161.00-1-42), Town of Portland, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 3.92 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, any approval of the Project is contingent upon, inter alia, a determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following a determination by the Agency that (A) the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in the Act relating to the Project have been satisfied; and (B) the undertaking of the Project by the Agency and the granting of the Financial Assistance are and will be in compliance with all other applicable requirements of the Act, SEQRA (as hereinafter defined), and all other statutes, codes, laws, rules and regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project and/or the Project Facility (collectively, the "Applicable Laws"); and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act (the "Public Hearing") to hear all persons interested in the Project and the Financial Assistance contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on June 8, 2022 to the chief executive officer of the County of Chautauqua (the "County") and of each other affected tax jurisdiction within which the Project Facility is or is to be located, and posted a copy of the Application on the Agency's website; (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on June 8, 2022 in [*The Observer*], a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the County; (C) caused the Public Hearing to be conducted on June 20, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at Town Hall, 87 West Main Street, Brocton, Town of Portland, County of Chautauqua, New York; (D) caused the Public Hearing to be streamed on the Agency's website in real-time and a recording of the Public Hearing to be posted on the Agency's website, all in accordance with Section 857 of the Act, as amended; and (E) caused a written report of the Public Hearing to be prepared which fairly summarizes the views presented at the Public Hearing and collected written comments from the public (collectively, the "Report") and distributed the Report to the members of 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 adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (the "Regulations" and collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Town of Portland on October 28, 2021, circulated a notice of intent to all Interested and Involved Agencies (as those terms are used pursuant to SEQRA) stating the Town of Portland Town Board's intent to act as Lead Agency for the purpose of a coordinated SEQRA review of the Project together with a description of the Project, completed Environmental Assessment Form Part I, and application; and

WHEREAS, no other Interested or Involved Agency contested to the designation of the Town Board of the Town of Portland as Lead Agency for the coordinated SEQRA review of the Project within 30 days of the circulation of the notice of intent; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Portland is the Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, by resolution dated January 1, 2022, the Town Board of the Town of Portland determined that the Project was not one that was likely to result in a significant adverse environmental impact, and issued a "Negative Declaration" for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency, as an Involved Agency pursuant to SEQRA, is bound by the determination of significance issued by the Town Board of the Town of the Portland and is prohibited from conducting further environmental review pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Administrative Director/CEO of the Agency caused a letter dated June 8, 2022 (the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letter") to be mailed to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction, informing said individuals that the Agency would, at its meeting on June 28, 2022 (the "IDA Meeting"), consider a proposed deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and Guidelines (the "Tax Exemption Policy") with respect to the payment in lieu of taxes agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Improvements and pursuant to which the Agency would grant an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements only; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on the date hereof, reviewed any comments and correspondence received with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy and approved the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency now desires to make its determination to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance, subject to the terms hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant and/or one (1) or more of its affiliates will (A) execute and deliver a certain Company Lease Agreement (the "Company Lease"), pursuant to which the Applicant and/or such affiliate(s) will grant to the Agency a leasehold interest in the Project Facility; (B) execute and deliver a certain Agency Lease Agreement (Uniform Project Agreement) (the "Agency Lease"), pursuant to which the Agency will grant to the Applicant and/or such affiliate(s) a subleasehold interest in the Project Facility; (C) execute and deliver a certain Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") pursuant to which the Agency would grant an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Improvements only; and (D) execute and deliver certain other certificates, documents, instruments and agreements related to the Project (together with the Company Lease, the Agency Lease and the PILOT Agreement, collectively, the "Transaction Documents");

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

Section 1. In accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency has prepared a written cost-benefit analysis with respect to the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance (the "Analysis"). The Agency has reviewed the Application, the Report and the Analysis, and, based upon the representations made by the Applicant to the Agency and information obtained by the Agency, the Agency has reviewed and assessed all material information necessary to afford a reasonable basis for the Agency to make a determination to

approve the Financial Assistance. In addition, the Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

- (a) based on the proposed use of the Project Facility as set forth in the Application, the economic effects of the Project on the area in which it is situated, and the employment reasonably expected to be created and/or maintained by the Project, and an analysis of how the Project contributes to the realization of the public purposes of promoting employment opportunities in the County and the prevention of economic deterioration in the County, the Project will constitute a commercial facility with a significant impact on the area in which it is situated, and will advance the Agency's purposes by promoting employment opportunities and preventing economic deterioration in the County. Therefore, the Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act;
- (b) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Applicant to undertake the Project in the County;
- (c) there is a likelihood that the Project would not be undertaken but for the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Applicant;
- (d) the completion of the Project Facility, the sublease thereof by the Agency to the Applicant and the operation thereof by the Applicant will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Applicant or any other occupant or user of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Applicant or any other occupant or user located within the State (but outside of the County). Therefore, the provisions of subdivision (1) of Section 862 of the Act are not and will not be violated as a result of the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Applicant;
- (e) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs, and increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State;
- (f) no funds of the Agency shall be used in connection with the Project for the purpose of preventing the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant, nor shall any funds of the Agency be given in connection with the Project to any group or organization which is attempting to prevent the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant within the State, nor shall any funds of the Agency be used for advertising or promotional materials which depict elected or appointed government officials in either print or electronic media;
- (g) the Project Facility does not and will 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. For purposes of this finding, retail sales shall mean: (i) sales by a registered vendor under Article 28 of the New York Tax Law primarily

engaged in the retail sale of tangible personal property, as defined in subparagraph (i) of paragraph four of subdivision (b) of section 1101 of the New York Tax Law; or (ii) sales of a service to such customers;

- (h) the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project will encourage and assist the Applicant in undertaking the Project in the County, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County and the State and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and
- (i) the Project will not result in the removal or abandonment of a plant or facility of the Applicant or any other occupant or user of the Project Facility, currently located within the County.
- Section 2. The Agency hereby ratifies, confirms and approves all actions heretofore taken by the Administrative Director/CEO, Chief Financial Officer and the staff of the Agency with respect to the Application, the Analysis and the Public Hearing, including, without limitation, (a) those actions required to ensure full compliance with the requirements of the Act, SEQRA and all other Applicable Laws that relate to the Project, and (b) the appointment of the law firm of Phillips Lytle LLP as Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project.
- <u>Section 3</u>. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has fully complied with the requirements of the Act, SEQRA and all other Applicable Laws that relate to the Project.
- Section 4. Having considered fully all comments received at or in connection with the Public Hearing and the IDA Meeting, including correspondence received subsequent to the Public Hearing, the Agency hereby further determines to proceed with the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, subject to the terms hereof. The Agency hereby approves the granting of (a) an exemption from real property taxes having an estimated value of \$344,544.00, (b) an exemption from mortgage recording taxes in the maximum amount of \$\$87,528.00, and (c) an exemption from sales and use taxes in the maximum amount of \$323,943.66.
- Section 5. The Agency recognizes that due to the complexities of the proposed transaction it may become necessary that certain of the terms approved hereby may require modifications from time to time which will not affect the intent and substance of the authorizations and approvals by the Agency herein. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency, acting individually or jointly, to approve modifications to the terms approved hereby which do not affect the intent and substance of this Resolution, but may include adjustments to the Financial Assistance granted hereunder. The approval of such modifications shall be evidenced by the certificate of determination of an Agency officer or the execution and delivery by some or all such Agency officers of relevant documents containing such modified terms.

Section 6. The Agency is hereby authorized to (a) acquire an interest in the Project Facility pursuant to the Company Lease and the other Transaction Documents, (b) grant a subleasehold interest in the Project Facility pursuant to the Agency Lease and the other Transaction Documents, (c) grant the Financial Assistance, (d) execute one (1) or more fee and leasehold mortgage, assignment of rents and leases, and security agreements in favor of such bank, governmental agency or financial institution as the Applicant may determine (such bank, governmental agency or financial institution, the "Bank"), encumbering the Project Facility, solely to subject the Agency's interest in the Project Facility to the lien thereof, all to secure one (1) or more loans made by the Bank to the Applicant with respect to the Project Facility, and (e) do all things necessary, convenient or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof. All acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the foregoing are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 7. The form and substance of the Transaction Documents, in the forms presented to the members of the Agency, together with such changes as the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO or the Chief Financial Officer may hereafter deem necessary or appropriate, are hereby approved. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, acting together or individually, to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which the Agency is a party 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. The execution and delivery of each such agreement, approval and consent by such person(s) shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 8. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are hereby further authorized, on behalf of the Agency, acting together or individually, to designate any additional Authorized Representatives (as defined in the Agency Lease) of the Agency.

Section 9. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, 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 Transaction Documents, to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments, agreements 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, convenient or appropriate to effect the purposes of this Resolution and to cause compliance with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Transaction Documents to which the Agency is a party or which are binding on the Agency.

Section 10. The members of the Agency acknowledge the terms and conditions of Section 875(3) of the Act and the duties and obligations of the Agency thereunder with respect to granting of State Sales and Use Taxes (as such term is defined in Section 875 of the Act) with respect to the Project. The members hereby direct the officers of the Agency to comply with such terms and conditions with respect to the Project and hereby direct Counsel to the Agency to include such terms and conditions in all relevant Transaction Documents.

<u>Section 11</u>. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Administrative Director/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 12. 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:

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The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA	)

WE, the undersigned officers of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 28, 2022 with the original thereof on file in our offices, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public at both locations at which members of the Agency were present, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; (D) the meeting was duly held by videoconferencing in compliance with the requirements of Section 103-a of the Open Meetings Law, including, but not limited to, the notice provisions of such Section; (E) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting and the minimum number of members required for a quorum was physically present at one of the locations specified in the notice of the meeting, (F) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law; (G) members of the public were permitted to view such meeting via video and to participate in the proceedings via videoconference in real time to the same extent that that public participation was permitted to members of the public present in person.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of June, 2022.

[Assistant] Secretary

Wirel Chairman

## **SL Fredonia Due Diligence Resolution**

A regular meeting of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session on June 28, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., local time, at (i) the offices of the Agency located at 201 West 3rd Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "IDA Office"), and (ii) the SUNY Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, County of Chautauqua, New York (the "Incubator"), and was conducted by videoconferencing in compliance with Section 103-a of the New York State Public Officers Law.

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

## PRESENT:

Michael Metzger	Chairman	Incubator
Dennis J. Rak	Vice Chairman	Incubator
Hans Auer	Treasurer	IDA Office
Gary Henry	Secretary	IDA Office
Brad Walters	Member	IDA Office
Jay Churchill	Member	IDA Office
Kevin Muldowney	Member	Incubator
Rhonda Johnson	Member	IDA Office

#### NOT PRESENT:

Steven Thorpe Member

## THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Mark Geise Administrative Director/CEO Richard E. Dixon Chief Financial Officer Milan K. Tyler, Esq. Counsel Jeanette Lo Bello **CCIDA Staff** Carol Rasmussen **CCIDA Staff** Kristine Morabito **CCIDA Staff** Kayla Strandburg **CCIDA Staff** Jason Toczydlowski **CCIDA Staff** Crystal Erhard **CCIDA Staff** Nate Aldrich **CCIDA Staff** Tim Odell Staff Intern Nathan Rizzo Solar Liberty Adam Rizzo Solar Liberty Thierry Demoly ABO John Gula **ABO** June Gilroy ABO

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The attached resolution no. 06-28-22-05 was offered by Hans Auer, seconded by Kevin Muldowney:

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#### Resolution No. 06-28-22-05

RESOLUTION APPROVING UNDERTAKING DUE DILIGENCE FOR A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR SL FREDONIA, LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A DUE DILIGENCE AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION

WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title I 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 manufacturing, industrial and 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, SL FREDONIA, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 13.4 acre portion of a 22.5 acre parcel of land located at 9824 Route 60, Fredonia, Town of Pomfret, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 4.675 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase),

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license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to the representations made by the Applicant therein, in certain supplemental documents and at this meeting, including, without limitation, representations of the Applicant that: (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Applicant to undertake the Project in the County of Chautauqua, New York; (B) the completion of the Project and the leasing and operation of the Project Facility by the Applicant and/or its related designee will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Applicant, such related designee or any other occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Applicant, such related designee or any other occupant of the Project Facility in the State; (C) the Project Facility will 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; (D) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs and increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State; and (E) the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Chautauqua, New York, and improve their standard of living, and prevent unemployment and economic deterioration, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, any approval of the Project is contingent upon, among other things, a final determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following determinations by the Agency that: (A) the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in the Act relating to the Project and the Financial Assistance have been satisfied; and (B) the undertaking of the Project by the Agency and the granting of the Financial Assistance are and will be in compliance with all other applicable requirements of the Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto (the "Regulations" and together with the SEQR Act, collectively, "SEQRA"), and all other statutes, codes, laws, rules and regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project or the Project Facility (collectively, the "Applicable Laws"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Applicant to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the County of Chautauqua, New York, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration, by undertaking the Project in the County of Chautauqua, New York; and

WHEREAS, although a resolution authorizing the undertaking of the Project has not yet been submitted for approval by the Agency, a due diligence agreement (the "Due Diligence Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency;

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

The Agency hereby authorizes the Administrative Director/CEO of the Section 1. Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project: (A) to establish a time, date and place (if applicable) for a public hearing (the "Public Hearing") of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project 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 within which the Project Facility is or will be located, subject to Applicable Laws; (B) to cause notice of said Public Hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of said Public Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units within which the Project Facility is or will be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of and to be published in accordance with the requirements of the Act; (C) to cause notice of said Public Hearing, pursuant to the Act, to be given to the chief executive officer of the County of Chautauqua, New York, and of each city, town, village, school district and other affected tax jurisdiction in which the Project Facility is or will be located; (D) to conduct the Public Hearing or to authorize a hearing officer to conduct the Public Hearing in accordance with the Act; (E) to cause a report of the 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; and (F) to otherwise comply with all other procedural and other requirements imposed on the Agency pursuant to Applicable Laws with respect to the Project and/or the Financial Assistance.

The Applicant is hereby authorized to conduct such environmental, Section 2. engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary or convenient to enable the Agency to make its determination whether to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance; provided, however, that such authorization shall not entitle or permit the Applicant to commence the acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of the Project Facility unless and until the Agency shall determine that all requirements of Applicable Laws have been fulfilled. The officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby directed to proceed to do such things or perform such acts as may allow the Agency to proceed to its final consideration of the Project. This Resolution constitutes an authorization to conduct concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning with respect to the Project within the meaning of Section 617.3(c)(2) of the Regulations and a determination of compliance with technical requirements within the meaning of Section 617.3(c)(2) of the Regulations and does not constitute, and shall not be deemed to constitute, either an approval by the Agency of the Project for the purposes of the Act or SEQRA or a commitment by the Agency to approve the Project or to grant the Financial Assistance.

- Section 3. Any expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and the financing thereof shall be paid by the Applicant as set forth in the Due Diligence Agreement.
- Section 4. The findings of the Agency set forth herein are expressly conditioned upon full compliance of the Applicant, the Project and the Project Facility with all Applicable

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Laws, and the Applicant shall be required to provide evidence of same satisfactory to the Agency prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance.

Section 5. If, following full compliance with all Applicable Laws, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance, or any portion thereof, with respect to the Project and the Applicant complies with all conditions set forth in the Due Diligence Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire an interest in the Project Facility pursuant to a deed, lease agreement, assignment of lease, license, bill of sale and/or other documentation to be negotiated between the Agency and the Applicant (the "Company Lease"); (B) lease (with the obligation to purchase), license or sell the Project Facility to the Applicant or related designee pursuant to an agency lease agreement or an installment sale agreement (the "Agency Lease") to be negotiated between the Agency and the Applicant; and (C) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, all as contemplated by the Due Diligence Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 6. The form, terms and substance of the Due Diligence Agreement (in substantially the form presented at this meeting) are in all respects approved, and the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized, empowered and directed, acting individually or jointly, to execute and deliver said Due Diligence Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, 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, and the Agency hereby ratifies and approves any action heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the Due Diligence Agreement.

Section 7. From and after the execution and delivery of the Due Diligence Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed, acting individually or jointly, 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 Due Diligence Agreement as and when executed.

Section 8. The law firm of Phillips Lytle LLP, Jamestown, New York, is hereby appointed Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Counsel for the Agency is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Applicant, to work with the Applicant, counsel to the Applicant, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

<u>Section 9.</u> The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Administrative Director/CEO and Chief Financial Officer of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 10.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Michael Metzger AYE Dennis J. Rak Abstained Hans Auer **AYE** Gary Henry **AYE** Steven Thorpe **ABSENT Brad Walters AYE** Jay Churchill AYE Kevin Muldowney AYE Rhonda Johnson **AYE** 

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA	)

WE, the undersigned officers of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 28, 2022 with the original thereof on file in our offices, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public at both locations at which members of the Agency were present, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; (D) the meeting was duly held by videoconferencing in compliance with the requirements of Section 103-a of the Open Meetings Law, including, but not limited to, the notice provisions of such Section; (E) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting and the minimum number of members required for a quorum was physically present at one of the locations specified in the notice of the meeting, (F) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law; (G) members of the public were permitted to view such meeting via video and to participate in the proceedings via videoconference in real time to the same extent that that public participation was permitted to members of the public present in person.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our hand this 28th day of June, 2022.

[Assistant] Secretary

[Wash Chairmon

#### DUE DILIGENCE AGREEMENT

THIS DUE DILIGENCE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") dated as of the 28th day of June, 2022, between the COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (the "Agency"), a public benefit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and SL FREDONIA, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York as a foreign limited liability company (the "Applicant").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title I 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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 manufacturing, industrial and 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 Applicant presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Proposed Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 13.4 acre portion of a 22.5 acre parcel of land located at 9824 Route 60, Fredonia, Town of Pomfret, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a fixed tilt system, (ii) inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines, (iv) fencing, and (v) a system of access roads, parking, and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as an approximately 4.675 megawatt A/C solar-powered electrical generation facility; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial

Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Agency require the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Applicant as a condition to the Agency's consideration of the Proposed Project;

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

# Article 1. Representations; No Commitments.

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

- (A) Based on the proposed use of the Project Facility, the economic effects of the Proposed Project on the area in which it is situated and the prevention of economic deterioration in the County of Chautauqua (the "County"), the Proposed Project would constitute a commercial facility with a significant impact on the area in which it is situated, and would advance the Agency's purposes by preventing economic deterioration in the County. Therefore, the Proposed Project would constitute a "project" within the meaning of the Act.
- (B) The execution, delivery and performance by the Applicant of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary company action, and this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Applicant and is the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Applicant enforceable against the Applicant in accordance with its terms.
- (C) The Project Facility does not and will 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 Facility. For purposes of this representation, retail sales shall mean: (i) sales by a registered vendor under Article 28 of the New York Tax Law primarily engaged in the retail sale of tangible personal property, as defined in subparagraph (i) of paragraph four of subdivision (b) of Section 1101 of the New York Tax Law; or (ii) sales of a service to such customers.
- (D) The undertaking of the Proposed Project will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Applicant from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Applicant located in the State of New York (but outside the County). Therefore, the provisions of subdivision (1) of Section 862 of the Act would not be violated as a result of the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Applicant.

- (E) Each owner, occupant or operator that would receive Financial Assistance with respect to the Proposed Project is in substantial compliance with applicable federal, state and local tax, worker protection and environmental laws, rules and regulations.
- (F) As of the date of this Agreement, the Applicant is in substantial compliance with all provisions of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, including, but not limited to, the provisions of Section 859-a and Section 862(1) thereof.
- (G) The granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Proposed Project would be an inducement to the Applicant to undertake the Proposed Project in the County.
- (H) The Applicant would not undertake the Proposed Project in the County without the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency.
- (I) The Project Facility is located entirely within the boundaries of the Town of Pomfret, County of Chautauqua, and the Fredonia Central School District and is not located within the boundaries of any incorporated village or city.
- (J) The Applicant plans to invest a total of at least \$6,638,500 in the Project Facility.
- (K) The Application is and remains true, accurate and complete in all respects as of the date hereof.
- Section 1.02. The Transactions Committee of the Agency has approved the execution of this Agreement. The Agency intends this Agreement to constitute its binding commitment, subject to the terms hereof, to accept the Application; provided, however, that this Agreement shall not commit the Agency to undertake the Proposed Project or to grant to the Applicant any Financial Assistance with respect to the Proposed Project. The members of the Agency shall decide, in their sole and absolute discretion, whether or not to undertake the Proposed Project and to grant such Financial Assistance, and then only following a determination by the members of the Agency that all requirements of applicable laws, rules and regulations and the policies and procedures of the Agency (collectively, "Legal Requirements") have been fulfilled.

# Article 2. <u>Undertakings on the Part of the Agency</u>.

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

Section 2.01. The Agency shall undertake formal consideration of the Proposed Project

and the Financial Assistance relating to the Proposed Project, subject to the conditions contained in this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the provision of Section 1.02 above and the following conditions:

- (A) 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 Proposed Project and the various documents to be executed in connection with the Proposed Project;
- (B) The Applicant shall provide the Agency and all other "involved/interested agencies" with all information and statements that may be required by said respective entities to ensure compliance by said entities with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, "SEQRA");
- (C) The Applicant shall comply with and shall provide the Agency with all information, documentation and statements required for the Agency to comply with the requirements of all Legal Requirements; and
- (D) The Applicant shall pay all expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the Proposed Project (including, without limitation, counsel fees and disbursements) and shall pay all fees of the Agency.

# Article 3. <u>Undertakings on the Part of the Applicant</u>.

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

<u>Section 3.01</u>. The Applicant hereby agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel selected by the Agency) and hold the Agency (and its members, officers, agents, attorneys and employees) harmless from any and all liability, damages, causes of actions, losses, costs or expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with: (A) examination and processing of, and action pursuant to or upon, the Application, regardless of whether or not the Application, the Proposed Project or the Financial Assistance are favorably acted upon by the Agency, (B) the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of the Project Facility, and (C) any further action taken by the Agency with respect to the Proposed Project; including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (i) all fees and expenses of the Agency's general counsel, transaction counsel, economic development consultant, real property tax valuation consultant and other experts and consultants (if deemed necessary or advisable by the Agency) heretofore or hereafter incurred, and (ii) all other expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any suits, actions or proceedings that may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. If, for any reason whatsoever, the Agency decides not to proceed with consideration of the Application or the proposed Project or the Applicant fails to conclude or consummate necessary negotiations 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 if the Applicant is unable to secure third party financing, if required, or

otherwise fails to conclude the Proposed Project, then upon presentation of an invoice by the Agency, its agents, attorneys or assigns, the Applicant shall pay to the Agency, its agents, attorneys or assigns, as the case may be, all fees and expenses reflected in any such invoice.

Section 3.02. The Applicant agrees that each of the Agency's general counsel, transaction counsel, economic development consultant, real property tax valuation consultant and other experts and consultants is an intended third-party beneficiary of this Agreement, and that each of them may (but shall not be obligated to) enforce the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, whether by lawsuit or otherwise, to collect the fees and expenses of such party or person incurred by the Agency (whether or not first paid by the Agency) with respect to the Application. The Applicant further agrees that the Agency may (but shall not be obligated to) directly enforce the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement against the Applicant, whether by lawsuit or otherwise, to collect such fees and expenses.

Section 3.03. The Applicant will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as the Agency may deem necessary to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as the Agency may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

Section 3.04. This Agreement is intended to facilitate discussion regarding the Proposed Project, and neither this Agreement nor any discussions or course of conduct between the parties or their representatives shall constitute an agreement, offer or legally binding commitment by the Agency to undertake the Proposed Project or to grant the Financial Assistance. This Agreement does not purport to summarize or contain all the conditions, covenants, representations, warranties and other provisions that would be contained in the definitive documentation between the Agency and the Applicant relating to the Proposed Project.

## Article 4. General Provisions.

Section 4.01. (A) All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given (i) when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, (ii) when delivered by hand delivery to the undersigned, or (iii) the date of delivery (or refusal) after deposit with Federal Express or other nationally recognized overnight courier for next business day delivery, addressed as follows:

## (1) To the Agency:

County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency 201 West 3rd Street, Suite 115 Jamestown, NY 14701 Attn: Mark Geise

## (2) To the Applicant:

SL Fredonia, LLC

57 Exchange Street, Suite 100 Portland, ME 04101 Attn: Nathan Rizzo

- (B) The Agency and the Applicant may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates and other communications shall be sent.
- Section 4.02. All covenants and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Agency and the Applicant shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective permitted successors and assigns of the Agency and the Applicant, as the case may be, whether so expressed or not.
- Section 4.03. 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 subject to any personal liability or accountability based 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 the County, and neither the State of New York nor the County, 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 4.04. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Agency shall not be obligated to take any action pursuant to any provision hereof unless (A) the Agency shall have been requested to do so in writing by the Applicant; 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 Applicant 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 4.05. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures by facsimile or in Portable Document Format shall be deemed to constitute originals.

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

SL FREDONIA, LLC	COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
By:	By:
Name:	Name: Richard E. Dixon
Title:	Title: CFO



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# RESOLUTION 06-28-22-06 OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE UNIDED STATES ENVIRONENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (USEPA) TO ESTABLISH A BROWNFIELDS REVOLVING LOAN FUND AND APPROVING ENTRY INTO VARIOUS AGREEMENTS TO LAUNCH SAID PROGRAM

June 28, 2022

I, Michael Metzger, Chairman of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency, a public benefit corporation ("CCIDA") hereby certify that at a meeting of the Members of the CCIDA duly called and held at the CCIDA Board Room, 201 West Third Street, Jamestown, County of Chautauqua New York, and at the Fredonia Technology Incubator, 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, Chautauqua New York, at 10:00 a.m. on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at which a quorum was present, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, in 2019, the CCIDA initiated the development of a strategy to proactively engage in brownfields redevelopment activities to improve blighted and underutilized areas in the County, improve the health and safety of its citizens through cleaning up contaminated sites, increase the County's tax base, spur job creation and where applicable kick-start revitalization activities within neighborhoods throughout the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, based on one of the priority recommendations within this strategy, the CCIDA applied for and was awarded a \$600,000 grant from the USEPA to establish and capitalize a Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) which will provide loans and subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites, and

WHEREAS, the CCIDA will finalize a Work Plan containing the goals and objectives of the program, specific tasks to carry out the program, a strategy for fund capitalization, a quality assurance plan, budget, schedules and milestones, and policies and procedures and financial underwriting services to execute a prudent and successful RLF lending/subgrant program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrative Director, Chief Financial Officer, Chairman, or any officer of CCIDA be and hereby is authorized to accept grant funding and execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to effectuate the foregoing resolution, and given full ability to enter into agreements and expend funds in a manner consistent with the goals of the program, and that such actions be and hereby are ratified in all respects, and



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CCIDA commits \$120,000 in cash and in-kind services as the required 20% matching share of this grant program.

Ву

Authorized Representative

Date