

Staff Report Item 17

TO:	Ava Community Energy Board of Directors
FROM:	Eleanor Smith – Account Rates and Equity Manager
	Shannon Rivers - Virtual Power Plant Senior Manager

SUBJECT: Authorization of Chief Executive Officer to Negotiate and Execute Agreements for five solar projects for the Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff (DAC-GT) and Community Solar Green Tariff (CSGT) programs (Action Item)

DATE: February 21, 2024

Recommendation

Adopt five Resolutions authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreements for five projects awarded short listing through the 2022 Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff Request for Offers (RFO): 2 solar projects located in Tracy and 3 solar projects located in Oakland, San Leandro, and Hayward. All five projects will be developed by Prologis. These projects will deliver renewable energy and Renewable Energy Credits (RECs):

- a. ESCA-PLD-TRACY9/Prologis Project (DAC-GT): 20-year, 3.0 mega-watts (MW) solar project in Tracy, expected to be operational in June 2026, contingent on California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") approval of the fully executed contract.
- b. ESCA-PLD-TRACY16/Prologis Project (DAC-GT): 20-year, 2.0 MW solar project in Tracy, expected to be operational in June 2026, contingent on CPUC approval of the fully executed contract.
- c. ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2/Prologis Project (DAC-GT): 20-year, 0.72 MW solar project in Oakland, expected to be operational in December 2025, contingent on CPUC approval of the fully executed contract.
- d. ESCA-PLD-SANLEANDRO1/Prologis Project (CSGT): 20-year, 1.0 MW solar project in San Leandro, expected to be operational in April 2025, contingent on CPUC approval of the fully executed contract.
- e. ESCA-PLD-HAYWARD1/Prologis Project (CSGT): 20-year, 0.56 MW solar project in Hayward, expected to be operational in April 2025, contingent on CPUC approval of the fully executed contract.

Background

In 2018, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) adopted Decision 18-06-027 (D.18-06-027), creating two CPUC funded programs: the Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff (DAC-GT) and Community Solar Green Tariff (CSGT). Both programs promote the development of renewable generation within a disadvantaged community ("DAC")¹ and offer primarily CARE/FERA customers living in a DAC access to 100% renewable energy supply and a 20% discount on their electricity bills. The below table provides an overview of the two programs.

Specifics	DAC-GT	CSGT
Ava Branded Program Name	Ava Solar Discount Program	Ava Community Solar Program
Program Offering	100% Renewable Energy to eligible customers at a 20% discount	100% Renewable Energy to eligible customers at a 20% discount
Program Size	5.72 MW ~2,900 customers	1.56 MW ~800 customers
Ava Program Status	 Launched in September 2021 with an interim solar resource Eligible customers were auto enrolled Solicitation for new resource completed 	 In development Solicitation for new resource completed Customer enrollment will occur upon project completion
Customer and Project Requirements	Residential customers who: • Are CARE/FERA enrolled • Live in a DAC	 50% or more of participants must be residential customers who are CARE/ FERA enrolled and must be subscribed before non-CARE/FERA customers are able to participate Customers located within 5 miles of site and live in a DAC Community Sponsor²

¹ For the purposes of DAC-GT and CSGT, the CPUC categorizes a "disadvantaged community" as a community that appears among the top 25% of census tracts identified by CalEnviroScreen 3.0 or CalEnviroScreen 4.0. CalEnviroScreen is an analytical tool created by the California Environmental Agency (CalEPA) that measures a combination of economic, health, and environmental factors by census tract.

² CPUC Decision 18-06-027 states that "community involvement must be demonstrated by a non-profit community-based organization or local government 'sponsoring' a project on behalf of residents. Developers [are] required to obtain a letter of commitment from sponsors in order to bid for projects."

RFO and Proposed Contracts

Ava issued a request for offers (RFO) in December 2022 to procure up to 5.726 MW of solar and storage for DAC-GT and up to 1.5625 MW of solar and storage for CSGT. Ava's capacity allocation is pursuant to CPUC Resolution E-5124. Bidders of the RFO were required to meet certain minimum requirements relating to project location, resource type, project size, commercial operation date, and community sponsorship (CSGT only). Additionally, bidders were evaluated based on each project's economics, workforce development plan, and development status and experience. Ava staff evaluated the above criteria and reviewed combinations of projects that optimized programs goals including volume, pricing, and geographic targets.

Ava staff selected a portfolio of five solar projects with developer Prologis. The portfolio includes two solar projects in Tracy and one solar project in Oakland for DAC-GT and two solar projects in Hayward and San Leandro for CSGT. The community sponsors for the selected CSGT projects are the City of Hayward and City of San Leandro. Both community sponsors provided letters of commitment attesting to their community's interest in these projects.

The procurement of these projects, shown below in Table 2, allows Ava to fill its allotted capacity for both programs and service the maximum number of customers with the program bill discount. The selection offers wide geographic coverage within Ava's service territory.

Develope r	Contracting Entity	Program	Project	Location	Nameplate Solar	COD	Contract Term
Prologis	ESCA-PLD- TRACY9, LLC	DAC-GT	Tracy 12	Tracy	3 MW	6/1/2026	20 years
Prologis	ESCA-PLD- TRACY16, LLC	DAC-GT	Tracy 2 West	Tracy	2 MW	6/1/2026	20 years
Prologis	ESCA-PLD- OAKLAND2, LLC	DAC-GT	Oakland 1	Oakland	0.72 MW	12/31/2025	20 years
Prologis	ESCA-PLD- SANLEANDRO1, LLC	CSGT	San Leandro 10	San Leandro	1 MW	4/1/2026	20 years
Prologis	ESCA-PLD- HAYWARD1, LLC	CSGT	Hayward Commerce	Hayward	0.56 MW	4/1/2026	20 years

Table 2: Project Portfolio

Ava also considered pursuing solar and storage as outlined in the RFO, but was unable to come to commercially acceptable terms with Prologis for the paired storage resources.

CPUC Requirements and Cost Recovery

Per CPUC Resolution E-5124, Ava must submit a Tier 2 Advice Letter with executed DAC-GT and CSGT Power Purchase Agreements for approval by the CPUC. Full execution of the projects is contingent on this CPUC approval.

DAC-GT and CSGT program costs, including above market generation costs, are eligible for reimbursement from the CPUC. To receive cost recovery from the CPUC, Ava follows the annual budget process set forth in CPUC Resolution E-4999. Each February, Ava submits a Tier 1 Advice Letter with the annual program budget numbers including detailed workpapers on how costs are calculated. The CPUC previously approved Ava's requested cost recovery for DAC-GT and CSGT actual costs for program years 2021 through 2022. Ava is in the process of seeking cost recovery for program year 2023.

Attachments

- A. Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Twenty-Year Solar Energy Agreement in Tracy with ESCA-PLD-TRACY9, LLC for Tracy 12
- B. Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Twenty-Year Solar Energy Agreement in Tracy with ESCA-PLD-TRACY16, LLC for Tracy 2 West
- C. Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Twenty-Year Solar Energy Agreement in Oakland with ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC for Oakland 1
- D. Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Twenty-Year Solar Energy Agreement in San Leandro with ESCA-PLD-SANLEANDRO1, LLC for San Leandro 10
- E. Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Twenty-Year Solar Energy Agreement in Hayward with ESCA-PLD-HAYWARD1, LLC for Hayward Commerce
- F. Redacted draft contract with Prologis*
- G. PowerPoint Presentation

*Only one redacted draft contract is attached, because all contracts have identical language except for project location, size (MW), and price.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2024-xx

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH CONTRACTING ENTITY ESCA-PLD-TRACY9, LLC

WHEREAS on October 24, 2023, the East Bay Community Energy Authority legally adopted the name Ava Community Energy Authority ("Ava");

WHEREAS Ava was formed as a community choice aggregation agency ("CCA") on December 1, 2016, Under the Joint Exercise of Power Act, California Government Code sections 6500 *et seq.*, among the County of Alameda, and the Cities of Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Piedmont, Oakland, San Leandro, and Union City to study, promote, develop, conduct, operate, and manage energy-related climate change programs in all of the member jurisdictions. The cities of Newark and Pleasanton, located in Alameda County, along with the City of Tracy, located in San Joaquin County, were added as members of Ava and parties to the JPA in March of 2020. The City of Stockton, located in San Joaquin County was added as a member of Ava and party to the JPA in September of 2022. The City of Lathrop, located in San Joaquin County, was added as a member to Ava and party to the JPA in October of 2023;

WHEREAS Ava issued the 2022 Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff RFO in December 2022;

WHEREAS ESCA-PLD-TRACY9, LLC proposed a 3.0 mega-watts (MW) solar project in Tracy to be developed by Prologis; and

WHEREAS the project is expected to be operational by June 2026 and will provide renewable solar energy and associated environmental attributes for a term of twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The CEO is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a twenty-year solar energy agreement with ESCA-PLD-TRACY9, LLC for a 3.0 MW solar project in Tracy, expected to be operational in June 2026, contingent on California Public Utilities Commission approval of the fully executed contract.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2024.

Elisa Márquez, Chair

ATTEST:

Adrian Bankhead, Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-2024-xx

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH CONTRACTING ENTITY ESCA-PLD-TRACY16, LLC

WHEREAS on October 24, 2023, the East Bay Community Energy Authority legally adopted the name Ava Community Energy Authority ("Ava");

WHEREAS Ava was formed as a community choice aggregation agency ("CCA") on December 1, 2016, Under the Joint Exercise of Power Act, California Government Code sections 6500 *et seq.*, among the County of Alameda, and the Cities of Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Piedmont, Oakland, San Leandro, and Union City to study, promote, develop, conduct, operate, and manage energy-related climate change programs in all of the member jurisdictions. The cities of Newark and Pleasanton, located in Alameda County, along with the City of Tracy, located in San Joaquin County, were added as members of Ava and parties to the JPA in March of 2020. The City of Stockton, located in San Joaquin County was added as a member of Ava and party to the JPA in September of 2022. The City of Lathrop, located in San Joaquin County, was added as a member to Ava and party to the JPA in October of 2023;

WHEREAS Ava issued the 2022 Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff RFO in December 2022;

WHEREAS ESCA-PLD-TRACY16, LLC proposed a 2.0 mega-watts (MW) solar project in Tracy to be developed by Prologis; and

WHEREAS the project is expected to be operational by June 2026 and will provide renewable solar energy and associated environmental attributes for a term of twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The CEO is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a twenty-year solar energy agreement with ESCA-PLD-TRACY16, LLC for a 2.0 MW solar project in Tracy, expected to be operational in June 2026, contingent on California Public Utilities Commission approval of the fully executed contract.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2024.

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WHEREAS on October 24, 2023, the East Bay Community Energy Authority legally adopted the name Ava Community Energy Authority ("Ava");

WHEREAS Ava was formed as a community choice aggregation agency ("CCA") on December 1, 2016, Under the Joint Exercise of Power Act, California Government Code sections 6500 *et seq.*, among the County of Alameda, and the Cities of Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Piedmont, Oakland, San Leandro, and Union City to study, promote, develop, conduct, operate, and manage energy-related climate change programs in all of the member jurisdictions. The cities of Newark and Pleasanton, located in Alameda County, along with the City of Tracy, located in San Joaquin County, were added as members of Ava and parties to the JPA in March of 2020. The City of Stockton, located in San Joaquin County was added as a member of Ava and party to the JPA in September of 2022. The City of Lathrop, located in San Joaquin County, was added as a member to Ava and party to the JPA in October of 2023;

WHEREAS Ava issued the 2022 Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff RFO in December 2022;

WHEREAS ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC proposed a 0.72 mega-watts (MW) solar project in Oakland to be developed by Prologis; and

WHEREAS the project is expected to be operational by December 2025 and will provide renewable solar energy and associated environmental attributes for a term of twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The CEO is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a twenty-year solar energy agreement with ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC for a 0.72 MW solar project in Oakland, expected to be operational in December 2025, contingent on California Public Utilities Commission approval of the fully executed contract.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2024.

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WHEREAS on October 24, 2023, the East Bay Community Energy Authority legally adopted the name Ava Community Energy Authority ("Ava");

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WHEREAS Ava issued the 2022 Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff and Community Solar Green Tariff RFO in December 2022;

WHEREAS ESCA-PLD-SANLEANDRO1, LLC proposed a 1.0 mega-watts (MW) solar project in San Leandro to be developed by Prologis; and

WHEREAS the project is expected to be operational by April 2026 and will provide renewable solar energy and associated environmental attributes for a term of twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The CEO is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a twenty-year solar energy agreement with ESCA-PLD-SANLEANDRO1, LLC for a 1.0 MW solar project in San Leandro, expected to be operational in April 2026, contingent on California Public Utilities Commission approval of the fully executed contract.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st day of February, 2024.

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WHEREAS on October 24, 2023, the East Bay Community Energy Authority legally adopted the name Ava Community Energy Authority ("Ava");

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WHEREAS ESCA-PLD-HAYWARD1, LLC proposed a 0.56 mega-watts (MW) solar project in Hayward to be developed by Prologis; and

WHEREAS the project is expected to be operational by April 2026 and will provide renewable solar energy and associated environmental attributes for a term of twenty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

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Elisa Márquez, Chair

ATTEST:

Adrian Bankhead, Clerk of the Board

DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES GREEN TARIFF (DAC-GT) RENEWABLE POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

COVER SHEET

Seller: ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Seller")

Buyer: Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority ("Buyer")

Description of Facility: A 0.72 MW solar photovoltaic project (the "<u>Facility</u>") located in a DAC (as defined herein) within PG&E's distribution service territory, as further described in <u>Exhibit A</u>.

Milestones:

Milestone	Date for Completion
Evidence of Site Control	
CEC Pre-Certification Obtained	
Documentation of Conditional Use Permit if required: [] CEQA, [X] Cat Ex, [] Neg Dec, [] Mitigated Neg Dec, [] EIR	
Seller's receipt of Phase I and Phase II Interconnection study results for Seller's Interconnection Facilities	
Procure Major Equipment	
Financial Close	
Expected Construction Start Date	
Initial Synchronization	8/30/2025
Network Upgrades completed	
Expected Commercial Operation Date	12/31/2025

Delivery Term: Twenty (20) Contract Years

Expected Energy:

Contract Year	Expected Energy (MWh)
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<u>Guaranteed Capacity</u>: 0.72 MW

<u>Contract Price</u>: The Contract Price of the Product shall be:

Contract Year	Contract Price
1 - 20	

Metering Arrangement: CAISO Metered Entity

Delivery Point:

Product:

- ☑ Facility Energy
- Green Attributes (Portfolio Content Category 1)
- □ Capacity Attributes (select options below as applicable)
 - □ Energy Only Status
 - □ Full Capacity Deliverability Status
- □ Ancillary Services

Scheduling Coordinator: Ava Community Energy

Development Security and Performance Security

Facility Type	Development Security or Pre- Delivery Term Security	Delivery Term Performance Security
DAC-GT Facilities with Contract Capacity less than or equal to three (3) MW		

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- Exhibit I Form of Installed Capacity Certificate
- Exhibit J Form of Construction Start Date Certificate
- Exhibit K Form of Letter of Credit
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- Exhibit M Reserved
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- Exhibit P Reserved
- Exhibit Q Reserved
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RENEWABLE POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This Renewable Power Purchase Agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of February 22, 2024 (the "<u>Execution Date</u>"), between Buyer and Seller. Buyer and Seller are sometimes referred to herein individually as a "<u>Party</u>" and jointly as the "<u>Parties</u>." All capitalized terms used in this Agreement are used with the meanings ascribed to them in <u>Section 1.1</u>.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Seller intends to develop, design, permit, construct, own, and operate the Facility; and

WHEREAS, Seller desires to sell, and Buyer desires to purchase, on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the Product;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to the following:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 <u>Contract Definitions</u>. The following terms, when used herein with initial capitalization, shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Accepted Compliance Costs" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.10(d).

"Adjusted Energy Production" has the meaning set forth in Exhibit G.

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to any Person, each Person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such designated Person. For purposes of this definition and the definition of "Permitted Transferee", "control", "controlled by", and "under common control with", as used with respect to any Person, shall mean (a) the direct or indirect right to cast at least fifty percent (50%) of the votes exercisable at an annual general meeting (or its equivalent) of such Person or, if there are no such rights, ownership of at least fifty percent (50%) of the equity or other ownership interest in such Person, or (b) the right to direct the policies or operations of such Person.

"<u>Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble and includes any Exhibits, schedules and any written supplements hereto, the Cover Sheet, and any designated collateral, credit support or similar arrangement between the Parties.

"<u>Alternating Current</u>" or "<u>AC</u>" means alternating current.

"<u>Alternative Site</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2(b) of <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"Ancillary Services" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Approval Condition Precedent" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

"<u>Approved Forecast Vendor</u>" means (x) any of CAISO or (y) any other vendor reasonably acceptable to both Buyer and Seller for the purposes of providing or verifying the forecasts under Section 4.3(c)(ii).

"<u>Available Generating Capacity</u>" means the capacity of the Facility, expressed in whole MWs, that is mechanically available to generate Energy.

"<u>Bankrupt</u>" means with respect to any entity, such entity that (a) files a petition or otherwise commences, authorizes or acquiesces in the commencement of a proceeding or cause of action under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar Law, (b) has any such petition filed or commenced against it which remains unstayed or undismissed for a period of ninety (90) days, (c) makes an assignment or any general arrangement for the benefit of creditors, (d) otherwise becomes bankrupt or insolvent (however evidenced), (e) has a liquidator, administrator, receiver, trustee, conservator or similar official appointed with respect to it or any substantial portion of its property or assets, or (f) is generally unable to pay its debts as they fall due.

"Bid" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day except a Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal Reserve Bank holiday in California. A Business Day begins at 8:00 AM and ends at 5:00 PM Pacific Prevailing Time (PPT) for the Party sending a Notice, or payment, or performing a specified action.

"<u>Buyer</u>" has the meaning set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Buyer Bid Curtailment</u>" means the occurrence of all of the following:

(a) the CAISO provides notice to a Party or the Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility, requiring the Party to deliver less Facility Energy from the Facility than the full amount of energy forecasted in accordance with Section 4.3 to be produced from the Facility for a period of time; and

(b) for the same time period as referenced in (a), the notice referenced in (a) results from the manner in which Buyer or the SC Schedules or Bids the Facility or Facility Energy, as applicable, including where the Buyer or the SC for the Facility:

(i) did not submit a Self-Schedule or an Energy Supply Bid for the MW subject to the reduction; or

(ii) submitted an Energy Supply Bid and the CAISO notice referenced in (a) is solely a result of CAISO implementing the Energy Supply Bid; or

(iii) submitted a Self-Schedule for less than the full amount of Facility Energy forecasted to be generated or discharged by or delivered from the Facility.

If the Facility is subject to a Planned Outage, Forced Facility Outage, Force Majeure Event or a Curtailment Period during the same time period as referenced in (a), then the calculation of Deemed Delivered Energy during such period shall not include any Facility Energy that was not generated due to such Planned Outage, Forced Facility Outage, Force Majeure Event or Curtailment Period.

"<u>Buyer Curtailment Order</u>" means the instruction from Buyer to Seller to reduce Facility Energy from the Facility by the amount, and for the period of time set forth in such instruction, for reasons unrelated to a Planned Outage, Forced Facility Outage, Force Majeure Event or Curtailment Order.

"<u>Buver Curtailment Period</u>" means the period of time, as measured using current Settlement Intervals, during which Seller reduces Facility Energy from the Facility pursuant to or as a result of (a) Buyer Bid Curtailment, (b) a Buyer Curtailment Order or (c) a Buyer Default; provided, that the duration of any Buyer Curtailment Period shall be inclusive of the time required for the Facility to ramp down and ramp up.

"<u>Buyer Default</u>" means a failure by Buyer (or its agents) to perform Buyer's obligations hereunder, and includes an Event of Default of Buyer.

"Buyer's WREGIS Account" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.8(a).

"<u>CAISO</u>" means the California Independent System Operator Corporation.

"<u>CAISO Grid</u>" has the same meaning as "CAISO Controlled Grid" as defined in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>CAISO Operating Order</u>" means "Operating Instruction" or "Dispatch Instruction" as defined in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>CAISO Tariff</u>" means the California Independent System Operator Corporation Agreement and Tariff (the "Tariff"), Business Practice Manuals ("BPMs"), CAISO Operating Agreement, and Operating Procedures, including the rules, protocols, procedures and standards attached thereto, as the same may be amended or modified from time-to-time and approved by FERC; <u>provided</u> that if there is a conflict between the BPMs, the CAISO Operating Agreement or the Operating Procedures, on the one hand, and the Tariff, on the other hand, the Tariff will control.

"<u>California Renewables Portfolio Standard</u>" or "<u>RPS</u>" means the renewable energy program and policies established by California State Senate Bills 1038 (2002), 1078 (2002), 107 (2008), X-1 2 (2011), 350 (2015), and 100 (2018) as codified in, *inter alia*, California Public Utilities Code Sections 399.11 through 399.31 and California Public Resources Code Sections 25740 through 25751, as such provisions are amended or supplemented from time to time.

"<u>CEC</u>" means the California Energy Commission, or any successor agency performing similar statutory functions.

"<u>CEC Certification and Verification</u>" means that the CEC has certified (or, with respect to periods before the date that is one hundred eighty (180) days following the Commercial Operation Date, that the CEC has pre-certified) that the Facility is an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource for purposes of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard and that all Facility Energy delivered to the Delivery Point qualifies as generation from an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource.

"<u>CEC Precertification</u>" means that the CEC has issued a precertification for the Facility indicating that the planned operations of the Facility would comply with applicable CEC requirements for CEC Certification and Verification.

"<u>CEQA</u>" means the California Environmental Quality Act.

"<u>Change of Control</u>" means, except in connection with public market transactions of equity interests or capital stock of Seller's Ultimate Parent, any circumstance in which Ultimate Parent ceases to own, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediate entities, more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding equity interests in Seller; provided that in calculating ownership percentages for all purposes of the foregoing:

(a) any ownership interest in Seller held by Ultimate Parent indirectly through one or more intermediate entities shall not be counted towards Ultimate Parent's ownership interest in Seller unless Ultimate Parent directly or indirectly owns more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding equity interests in each such intermediate entity; and

(b) ownership interests in Seller owned directly or indirectly by any Lender (including any tax equity provider) shall be excluded from the total outstanding equity interests in Seller.

"<u>Claim</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.

"<u>COD Certificate</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>COD Delay Damages</u>" means liquidated damages in an amount equal to (a) the total Development Security amount required hereunder, divided by (b)

"<u>Commercial Operation</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Commercial Operation Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Compliance Action</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.10(b).

"<u>Compliance Expenditure Cap</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.10(b).

"<u>Confidential Information</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 18.1.

"<u>Construction Delay Damages</u>" means liquidated damages in an amount equal to (a) the total Development Security amount required hereunder, divided by (b)

"<u>Construction Start</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Construction Start Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Contract Price</u>" has the meaning set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Contract Term</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

"<u>Contract Year</u>" means a period of twelve (12) consecutive months beginning on January 1st and continuing through December 31st of each calendar year, except that the first Contract Year shall commence on the Commercial Operation Date and the last Contract Year shall end at midnight at the end of the day prior to the anniversary of the Commercial Operation.

"<u>Costs</u>" means, with respect to the Non-Defaulting Party, brokerage fees, commissions and other similar third-party transaction costs and expenses reasonably incurred by such Party either in terminating any arrangement pursuant to which it has hedged its obligations or entering into new arrangements which replace the Agreement; and all reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Non-Defaulting Party in connection with terminating the Agreement.

"<u>Cover Sheet</u>" means the cover sheet to this Agreement, which is incorporated into this Agreement.

"<u>CPUC</u>" means the California Public Utilities Commission or any successor agency performing similar statutory functions.

"<u>CPUC Approval</u>" means a final and non-appealable order of the CPUC, on terms and conditions satisfactory to Buyer in its sole discretion, which (a) approves of this Agreement in its entirely, including payments to be made by Buyer, subject to CPUC review of Buyer's administration of this Agreement; and (b) provides full cost recovery to Buyer for its payments made under this Agreement. CPUC Approval will be deemed to have occurred on the date that a CPUC decision containing such findings becomes final and non-appealable.

"<u>CPUC Approval Date</u>" means the date upon which the Approval Condition Precedent has been obtained or waived in writing by both Parties.

"<u>Credit Rating</u>" means, with respect to any entity, the rating then assigned to such entity's unsecured, senior long-term debt obligations (not supported by third party credit enhancements) or if such entity does not have a rating for its senior unsecured long-term debt, then the rating then assigned to such entity as an issuer rating by S&P or Moody's. If ratings by S&P and Moody's are not equivalent, the lower rating shall apply.

"<u>CS-GT</u>" means the Community Solar – Green Tariff (CS-GT) program approved by the CPUC.

"<u>Curtailment Cap</u>" is the yearly quantity per Contract Year, in MWh, equal to by the Guaranteed Capacity.

"<u>Curtailment Order</u>" means any of the following:

(a) CAISO orders, directs, alerts, or provides notice to a Party, including a CAISO Operating Order, to curtail deliveries of Facility Energy for the following reasons: (i) any System Emergency, or (ii) any warning of an anticipated System Emergency, or warning of an imminent condition or situation, which jeopardizes CAISO's electric system integrity or the integrity of other systems to which CAISO is connected;

(b) a curtailment ordered by the Participating Transmission Owner for reasons including, but not limited to, (i) any situation that affects normal function of the electric system including, but not limited to, any abnormal condition that requires action to prevent circumstances such as equipment damage, loss of load, or abnormal voltage conditions, or (ii) any warning, forecast or anticipation of conditions or situations that jeopardize the Participating Transmission Owner's electric system integrity or the integrity of other systems to which the Participating Transmission Owner is connected;

(c) a curtailment ordered by CAISO or the Participating Transmission Owner due to scheduled or unscheduled maintenance on the Participating Transmission Owner's transmission facilities that prevents (i) Buyer from receiving or (ii) Seller from delivering Facility Energy to the Delivery Point; or

(d) a curtailment in accordance with Seller's obligations under its Interconnection Agreement with the Participating Transmission Owner or distribution operator.

"<u>Curtailment Period</u>" means the period of time, as measured using current Settlement Intervals, during which generation from the Facility is reduced pursuant to a Curtailment Order; provided that the Curtailment Period shall be inclusive of the time required for the Facility to ramp down and ramp up.

"<u>DAC</u>" means a disadvantaged community, as identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency's CalEnviroScreen 3.0 (or the latest version) tool in effective as of the Execution Date.

"<u>DAC-GT</u>" means the Disadvantaged Communities – Green Tariff (DAC-GT) program approved by the CPUC.

"<u>Damage Payment</u>" means the dollar amount that equals the amount of the Development Security.

"<u>Day-Ahead Forecast</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(c).

"Day-Ahead Market" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Day-Ahead Schedule" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Deemed Delivered Energy" means the amount of Facility Energy expressed in MWh that the Facility would have produced and delivered to the Delivery Point, but that is not produced by the Facility during a Buyer Curtailment Period, which amount shall be calculated using the VER Forecast or an industry-standard methodology agreed to by Buyer and Seller that utilizes meteorological conditions on Site as input for the period of time during such Buyer Curtailment Period, less the amount of Facility Energy delivered to the Delivery Point during the Buyer Curtailment Period (or other relevant period); *provided* that, if the applicable difference is negative, the Deemed Delivered Energy shall be zero (0).

"<u>Defaulting Party</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.1(a).

"Deficient Month" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.8(e).

"Delivery Point" has the meaning

"<u>Delivery Term</u>" shall mean the period of Contract Years set forth on the Cover Sheet beginning on the Commercial Operation Date, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

"Development Cure Period" has the meaning set forth in Exhibit B.

"<u>Development Security</u>" means (i) cash or (ii) a Letter of Credit in the amount set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Disclosing Party</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 18.2.

"Early Termination Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a).

"<u>Electrical Losses</u>" means all distribution, transmission or transformation losses between the Facility and the Delivery Point, including losses associated with delivery of Facility Energy to the Delivery Point.

"<u>Eligible Intermittent Resource Protocol</u>" or "<u>EIRP</u>" means CAISO's intermittent resource program established pursuant to the CAISO Tariff, as it may be amended from time to time.

"<u>Eligible Renewable Energy Resource</u>" has the meaning set forth in California Public Utilities Code Section 399.12(e) and California Public Resources Code Section 25741(a), as either code provision is amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Energy" means AC electrical energy measured in MWh.

"Energy Supply Bid" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Event of Default" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.1.

"Excess MWh" has the meaning set forth in Exhibit C.

"Execution Date" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Expected Commercial Operation Date</u>" is the date set forth on the Cover Sheet by which Seller reasonably expects to achieve Commercial Operation.

"<u>Expected Construction Start Date</u>" is the date set forth on the Cover Sheet by which Seller reasonably expects to achieve Construction Start. "<u>Expected Energy</u>" means the quantity of Facility Energy that Seller expects to be able to deliver to Buyer from the Facility during each Contract Year.

"<u>Facility</u>" means the renewable energy generating facility described on the Cover Sheet and in <u>Exhibit A</u>, located at the Site and including mechanical equipment and associated facilities and equipment required to deliver Facility Energy to the Delivery Point.

"<u>Facility Energy</u>" means all Energy that is delivered from the Facility as measured at the Facility Metering Point by the Facility Meter, as such meter readings are adjusted by CAISO for any applicable Electrical Losses or

"<u>Facility Meter</u>" means the CAISO-approved revenue quality meter or meters (with a 0.3 accuracy class), along with a compatible data processing gateway or remote intelligence gateway, telemetering equipment and data acquisition services sufficient for monitoring, recording and reporting, in real time, the amount of Facility Energy delivered to the Facility Metering Point for the purpose of invoicing in accordance with Section 8.1. For clarity, the Facility may contain multiple measurement devices that will make up the Facility Meter, and, unless otherwise indicated, references to the Facility Meter shall mean all such measurement devices and the aggregated data of all such measurement devices, taken together.

"<u>Facility Metering Point</u>" means the location or locations of the Facility Meter shown on <u>Exhibit R</u>.

"<u>Fast Track Process</u>" has the meaning set forth in Electric Rule 21, as approved by the CPUC.

"<u>FERC</u>" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"<u>Financial Close</u>" means Seller or one of its Affiliates has obtained debt or equity financing commitments from one or more Lenders sufficient to construct the Facility, including such financing commitments from Seller's owner(s).

"<u>Financing Milestone</u>" means the date set forth on the Cover Sheet for Seller to demonstrate the Facility's eligibility for the ITC.

"Force Majeure Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 10.1.

"Force Majeure Delay" has the meaning set forth in Exhibit B.

"<u>Forced Facility Outage</u>" means an unexpected failure of one or more components of the Facility that prevents Seller from generating Energy or making Facility Energy available at the Delivery Point and that is not the result of a Force Majeure Event.

"Forecasting Penalty"

"Forward Certificate Transfers" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.8(a).

"<u>Future Environmental Attributes</u>" shall mean any and all generation attributes other than Green Attributes or Renewable Energy Incentives under the RPS regulations or under any and all other international, federal, regional, state or other law, rule, regulation, bylaw, treaty or other intergovernmental compact, decision, administrative decision, program (including any voluntary compliance or membership program), competitive market or business method (including all credits, certificates, benefits, and emission measurements, reductions, offsets and allowances related thereto) that are attributable, now, or in the future, to the generation of electrical energy by the Facility. Future Environmental Attributes does not include Tax Credits associated with the construction or operation of the Facility, or other financial incentives in the form of credits, reductions, or allowances associated with the Facility that are applicable to a state or federal income taxation obligation.

"Gains" means, with respect to the Non-Defaulting Party, an amount equal to the present value of the economic benefit to it, if any (exclusive of Costs), resulting from the termination of this Agreement for the remaining Contract Term, determined in a commercially reasonable manner, which economic benefit (if any) shall be deemed the gain (if any) to such Non-Defaulting Party represented by, (a) if Buyer is the Non-Defaulting Party, the positive difference between the present value of the payments required to be made during the remaining Contract Term of this Agreement and the present value of the payments that would be required to be made under any transaction(s) replacing this Agreement and (b) if Seller is the Non-Defaulting Party, the positive difference between the present value of the payments that would be required to be made under any transaction(s) replacing this Agreement and the present value of the payments required to be made during the remaining Contract Term of this Agreement. Factors used in determining the economic benefit to a Party may include reference to information supplied by one or more third parties, which shall exclude Affiliates of the Non-Defaulting Party, including quotations (either firm or indicative) of relevant rates, prices, yields, yield curves, volatilities, spreads or other relevant market data in the relevant markets, comparable transactions, forward price curves based on economic analysis of the relevant markets, settlement prices for comparable transactions at liquid trading hubs (e.g., NP-15), all of which should be calculated for the remaining Contract Term, and include the value of Green Attributes.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means any federal, state, provincial, local or municipal government, any political subdivision thereof or any other governmental, congressional or parliamentary, regulatory, or judicial instrumentality, authority, body, agency, department, bureau, or entity with authority to bind a Party at law, including CAISO; *provided, however*, that "Governmental Authority" shall not in any event include any Party.

"<u>Green Attributes</u>" means any and all credits, benefits, emissions reductions, offsets, and allowances, howsoever entitled, attributable to the generation from the Facility and its displacement of conventional energy generation. Green Attributes include but are not limited to Renewable Energy Credits, as well as: (1) any avoided emissions of pollutants to the air, soil or water such as sulfur oxides (SOx), nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide (CO) and other pollutants; (2) any avoided emissions of carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide,

hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, sulfur hexafluoride and other greenhouse gases (GHGs) that have been determined by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, or otherwise by law, to contribute to the actual or potential threat of altering the Earth's climate by trapping heat in the atmosphere; (3) the reporting rights to these avoided emissions, such as Green Tag Reporting Rights. Green Tags are accumulated on a MWh basis and one Green Tag represents the Green Attributes associated with one (1) MWh of Facility Energy. Green Attributes do not include (i) any energy, capacity, reliability or other power attributes from the Facility, (ii) Tax Credits associated with the construction or operation of the Facility and other financial incentives in the form of credits, reductions, or allowances associated with the Facility that are applicable to a state or federal income taxation obligation, (iii) fuel-related subsidies or "tipping fees" that may be paid to Seller to accept certain fuels, or local subsidies received by the generator for the destruction of particular preexisting pollutants or the promotion of local environmental benefits, or (iv) emission reduction credits encumbered or used by the Facility for compliance with local, state, or federal operating or air quality permits.

"<u>Green Tag Reporting Rights</u>" means the right of a purchaser of renewable energy to report ownership of accumulated "green tags" in compliance with and to the extent permitted by applicable Law and include, without limitation, rights under Section 1605(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, and any present or future federal, state or local certification program or emissions trading program, including pursuant to the WREGIS Operating Rules.

"<u>Guaranteed Capacity</u>" means the amount of generating capacity of the Facility, as measured in MW at the Delivery Point, set forth on the Cover Sheet, as the same may be adjusted from time to time pursuant to Section 6 of <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3(a) of <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Guaranteed Construction Start Date</u>" means the Expected Construction Start Date, as such date may be extended by the Development Cure Period.

"<u>Guaranteed Energy Production</u>" means an amount of Energy, as measured in MWh, equal to the total aggregate Expected Energy for the applicable Performance Measurement Period multiplied by

"Guaranteed Energy Production Damages" has the meaning set forth in Exhibit G.

"<u>IA Execution Date</u>" means the date upon which the Interconnection Agreement is executed between Seller and the PTO.

"<u>Imbalance Energy</u>" means the amount of Energy measured in MWh, in any given Settlement Period or Settlement Interval, by which the amount of Facility Energy deviates from the amount of Scheduled Energy.

"Indemnifiable Loss(es)" has the meaning set forth in Section 16.1.

"<u>Initial Synchronization</u>" means the initial delivery of Facility Energy to the Delivery Point.

"<u>Installed Capacity</u>" means the actual generating capacity of the Facility as measured in MW(ac) at the Delivery Point, that achieves Commercial Operation (up to but not in excess of the Guaranteed Capacity), adjusted for ambient conditions on the date of the performance test, and as evidenced by a certificate substantially in the form attached as <u>Exhibit I</u> hereto.

"Interconnection Agreement" means the interconnection agreement or agreements entered into by Seller or its Affiliate pursuant to which the Facility will be interconnected with the Transmission System, providing for interconnection capacity available or allocable to the Facility that is no less than the Guaranteed Capacity, and pursuant to which Seller's Interconnection Facilities and any other Interconnection Facilities will be constructed, operated and maintained during the Contract Term.

"Interconnection Delay" has the meaning set forth in Section 5 of Exhibit B.

"Interconnection Facilities" means the interconnection facilities, control and protective devices and metering facilities required to connect the Facility with the Transmission System in accordance with the Interconnection Agreement.

"Interest Rate" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.2.

"Inter-SC Trade" or "IST" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Investment Grade Credit Rating" means a Credit Rating of or higher by S&P or or higher by Moody's.

"<u>ITC</u>" means the investment tax credit established pursuant to Section 48 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"Joint Powers Act" means the Joint Exercise of Powers Act of the State of California (Government Code Section 6500 et seq.).

"Joint Powers Agreement" means that certain Joint Powers Agreement dated December 1, 2016, as amended from time to time, under which Buyer is organized as a Joint Powers Authority in accordance with the Joint Powers Act.

"<u>Law</u>" means any applicable law, statute, rule, regulation, decision, writ, order, decree or judgment, permit or any interpretation thereof, promulgated or issued by a Governmental Authority.

"Lender" means, collectively, any Person (i) providing credit support, senior or subordinated construction, interim, back leverage or long-term debt, working capital, equity or tax equity financing or refinancing for or in connection with the development, construction, purchase, installation, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement or improvement of the Facility, whether that financing or refinancing takes the form of private debt (including back-leverage debt), equity (including tax equity), public debt or any other form (including financing or refinancing provided to a member or other direct or indirect owner of Seller), including any equity or tax equity investor directly or indirectly providing financing or refinancing for the Facility or purchasing equity ownership interests of Seller or its Affiliates, and any trustee or agent or similar representative

acting on their behalf, (ii) providing Interest Rate or commodity protection under an agreement hedging or otherwise mitigating the cost of any of the foregoing obligations or (iii) participating in a lease financing (including a sale leaseback or leveraged leasing structure) with respect to the Facility.

"Letter(s) of Credit" means

"<u>Licensed Professional Engineer</u>" means an independent, professional engineer selected by Seller and reasonably acceptable to Buyer, licensed in the State of California.

"Locational Marginal Price" or "LMP" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Losses" means, with respect to the Non-Defaulting Party, an amount equal to the present value of the economic loss to it, if any (exclusive of Costs), resulting from termination of this Agreement for the remaining Contract Term, determined in a commercially reasonable manner, which economic loss (if any) shall be deemed to be the loss (if any) to such Party represented by the difference between the present value of the payments required to be made during the remaining Contract Term of this Agreement and the present value of the payments that would be required to be made under transaction(s) replacing this Agreement. Factors used in determining economic loss to a Party may include reference to information supplied by one or more third parties, which shall exclude Affiliates of the Non-Defaulting Party, including quotations (either firm or indicative) of relevant rates, prices, yields, yield curves, volatilities, spreads or other relevant market data in the relevant markets, comparable transactions, forward price curves based on economic analysis of the relevant markets, settlement prices for comparable transactions at liquid trading hubs (e.g., NP-15), all of which should be calculated for the remaining Contract Term and must include the value of Green Attributes and Renewable Energy Incentives.

"<u>Lost Output</u>" means the amount of Facility Energy that Seller could reasonably have delivered to Buyer but was prevented from delivering to Buyer by reason of any Force Majeure Events, Curtailment Period, System Emergency, Buyer Default or Buyer Curtailment Periods.

"<u>Low-Income Solar Policy Guide</u>" means the Low-Income Solar Policy Guide prepared by GRID Alternatives, as it may be amended from time to time.

"<u>Major Subcontractors</u>" means any first-tier subcontractor of Seller with which Seller has an agreement having an aggregate value in excess of for performance of any part of the work at the Site.

"Meter Service Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Milestones</u>" means the development activities for significant permitting, interconnection, financing and construction milestones set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Monthly Delivery Forecast</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(b).

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"<u>MW</u>" means megawatts in Alternating Current, unless expressly stated in terms of direct current.

"<u>MWh</u>" means megawatt-hour measured in Alternating Current, unless expressly stated in terms of direct current.

"<u>Negative LMP</u>" means, in any Settlement Period or Settlement Interval, the Real-Time Market LMP at the Facility's PNode is less than

"<u>Negative LMP Costs</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Exhibit C</u>.

"<u>NERC</u>" means the North American Electric Reliability Corporation or any successor entity performing similar functions.

"<u>Network Upgrades</u>" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Non-Defaulting Party</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.2.

"<u>Notice</u>" shall, unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, mean written communications by a Party to be delivered by e-mail.

"Notice of Claim" has the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.

"<u>NP-15</u>" means the Existing Zone Generation Trading Hub for Existing Zone region NP15 as set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Operating Procedures</u>" has the meaning in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Pacific Prevailing Time</u>" means the prevailing standard time or daylight savings time, as applicable, in the Pacific time zone.

"Participating Generator Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Participating Transmission Owner</u>" or "<u>PTO</u>" means an entity that owns, operates and maintains transmission or distribution lines and associated facilities or has entitlements to use certain transmission or distribution lines and associated facilities where the Facility is interconnected. For purposes of this Agreement, the Participating Transmission Owner is set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"<u>Party</u>" or "<u>Parties</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Performance Measurement Period</u>" means each period consisting of two (2) consecutive rolling Contract Years.

"<u>Performance Security</u>" means (i) cash or (ii) a Letter of Credit in the amount set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Permitted Transferee</u>" means (i) any Affiliate of Seller or (ii) any entity that has, or is controlled by another Person that satisfies the following requirements:

(a)	
(b)	

"<u>Person</u>" means any individual, sole proprietorship, corporation, limited liability company, limited or general partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, incorporated organization, institution, public benefit corporation, unincorporated organization, government entity or other entity.

"<u>Planned Outage</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.5(a).

"<u>PNode</u>" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Portfolio Content Category 1</u>" or "<u>PCC1</u>" means any Renewable Energy Credit associated with the generation of electricity from an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource consisting of the portfolio content set forth in California Public Utilities Code Section 399.16(b)(1), as may be amended from time to time or as further defined or supplemented by Law.

"<u>Product</u>" has the meaning set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"Progress Report" means a progress report including the items set forth in Exhibit E.

"<u>Project Labor Agreement</u>" means a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement with one or more labor organizations that establishes the terms and conditions of employment for a specific construction project.

"Prudent Operating Practice" means (a) the applicable practices, methods and acts required by or consistent with applicable Laws and reliability criteria, and otherwise engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period with respect to grid-interconnected, utility-scale generating facilities in the Western United States, or (b) any of the practices, methods and acts which, in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Prudent Operating Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to acceptable practices, methods or acts generally accepted in the industry with respect to grid-interconnected, utility-scale generating facilities in the Western United States. Prudent Operating Practice includes compliance with applicable Laws, applicable reliability criteria, and the criteria, rules and standards promulgated in the National Electric Safety Code and the National Electrical Code, as they may be amended or superseded from time to time, including the criteria, rules and standards of any successor organizations.

"<u>PTC</u>" means the production tax credit established pursuant to Section 45 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"<u>Real-Time Forecast</u>" means any Notice of any change to the Available Generating Capacity or hourly expected Energy delivered by or on behalf of Seller pursuant to Section 4.3(ii).

"<u>Real-Time Market</u>" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>**Real-Time Price</u>**" means the Resource-Specific Settlement Interval LMP as defined in the CAISO Tariff. If there is more than one applicable Real-Time Price for the same period of time, Real-Time Price shall mean the price associated with the smallest time interval.</u>

"<u>Receiving Party</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Section 18.2.

"Remedial Action Plan" has the meaning in Section 2.7.

"<u>Renewable Energy Credit</u>" has the meaning set forth in California Public Utilities Code Section 399.12(h), as may be amended from time to time or as further defined or supplemented by Law.

"<u>Renewable Energy Incentives</u>" means: (a) all federal, state, or local Tax Credits or other Tax benefits associated with the construction, ownership, or production of electricity from the Facility (including credits under Sections 38, 45, 46 and 48 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended); (b) any federal, state, or local grants, subsidies or other like benefits relating in any way to the Facility; and (c) any other form of incentive relating in any way to the Facility that is not a Green Attribute or a Future Environmental Attribute.

"Resource ID" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>S&P</u>" means the Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC (a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.).

"<u>Schedule</u>" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff, and "<u>Scheduled</u>" has a corollary meaning.

"<u>Scheduled Energy</u>" means the Facility Energy that clears under the applicable CAISO market based on the final Day-Ahead Schedule, FMM Schedule (as defined in the CAISO Tariff), or any other financially binding Schedule, market instruction or dispatch for the Facility for a given period of time implemented in accordance with the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Scheduling Coordinator</u>" or "<u>SC</u>" means an entity certified by the CAISO as qualifying as a Scheduling Coordinator pursuant to the CAISO Tariff for the purposes of undertaking the functions specified in "Responsibilities of a Scheduling Coordinator," of the CAISO Tariff, as amended from time to time. "<u>Security Interest</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.9.

"Self-Schedule" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Seller</u>" has the meaning set forth on the Cover Sheet.

"<u>Seller's WREGIS Account</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.8(a).

"Settlement Amount" means

"Settlement Interval" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"Settlement Period" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>Settlement Point</u>" has the meaning set forth in the <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"<u>Shared Facilities</u>" means the gen-tie lines, transformers, substations, or other equipment, permits, contract rights, and other assets and property (real or personal), in each case, as necessary to enable delivery of Energy from the Facility (which is excluded from Shared Facilities) to the point of interconnection, including the Interconnection Agreement itself, that are used in common with third parties.

"Site" means the real property on which the Facility is or will be located, as further described in Exhibit A, and as shall be updated by Seller at the time Seller provides an executed Construction Start Date certificate in the form of Exhibit J to Buyer.

"<u>Site Control</u>" means that, for the Contract Term, Seller (or, prior to the Delivery Term, its Affiliate): (a) owns or has the option to purchase the Site; (b) is the lessee or has the option to lease the Site; or (c) is the holder of an easement or an option for an easement, right-of-way grant, or similar instrument with respect to the Site.



"<u>System Emergency</u>" means any condition that requires, as determined and declared by CAISO or the PTO, automatic or immediate action to (a) prevent or limit harm to or loss of life or property, (b) prevent loss of transmission facilities or generation supply in the immediate vicinity of the Facility, or (c) to preserve Transmission System reliability.

"Tax" or "Taxes" means all U.S. federal, state and local and any foreign taxes, levies, assessments, surcharges, duties and other fees and charges of any nature imposed by a

Governmental Authority, whether currently in effect or adopted during the Contract Term, including ad valorem, excise, franchise, gross receipts, import/export, license, property, sales and use, stamp, transfer, payroll, unemployment, income, and any and all items of withholding, deficiency, penalty, additions, interest or assessment related thereto.

"<u>Tax Credits</u>" means the PTC, ITC and any other state, local or federal production tax credit, depreciation benefit, tax deduction or investment tax credit specific to the production of renewable energy or investments in renewable energy facilities.

"Terminated Transaction" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.2(a).

"Termination Payment" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.3.

"<u>Test Energy</u>" means Facility Energy delivered (a) commencing on the later of (i) the first date that the CAISO informs Seller in writing that Seller may deliver Facility Energy to the CAISO and (ii) the first date that the PTO informs Seller in writing that Seller has conditional or temporary permission to parallel and (b) ending upon the occurrence of the Commercial Operation Date.

"Test Energy Rate" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.

"<u>Transmission Provider</u>" means any entity or entities transmitting or transporting the Facility Energy on behalf of Seller or Buyer to or from the Delivery Point.

"<u>Transmission System</u>" means the transmission facilities operated by the CAISO, now or hereafter in existence, which provide energy transmission service downstream from the Delivery Point.

"<u>Ultimate Parent</u>"

"Variable Energy Resource" or "VER" has the meaning set forth in the CAISO Tariff.

"<u>VER Forecast</u>" means, for a given period, the forecast of Energy to be produced by the Facility in accordance with the requirements of the CAISO Tariff applicable to Variable Energy Resources.

"<u>WREGIS</u>" means the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System or any successor renewable energy tracking program.

"WREGIS Certificate Deficit" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.8(e).

"<u>WREGIS Certificates</u>" has the same meaning as "Certificate" as defined by WREGIS in the WREGIS Operating Rules and are designated as eligible for complying with the California Renewables Portfolio Standard.

"<u>WREGIS Operating Rules</u>" means those operating rules and requirements adopted by WREGIS as of October 2022, as subsequently amended, supplemented or replaced (in whole or in part) from time to time. 1.2 **<u>Rules of Interpretation</u>**. In this Agreement, except as expressly stated otherwise or unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) headings and the rendering of text in bold and italics are for convenience and reference purposes only and do not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement;

(b) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and the masculine, feminine and neuter genders include all genders;

(c) the words "hereof", "herein", and "hereunder" and words of similar import shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement;

(d) a reference to an Article, Section, paragraph, clause, Party, or Exhibit is a reference to that Section, paragraph, clause of, or that Party or Exhibit to, this Agreement unless otherwise specified;

(e) a reference to a document or agreement, including this Agreement means such document, agreement or this Agreement including any amendment or supplement to, or replacement, novation or modification of this Agreement, but disregarding any amendment, supplement, replacement, novation or modification made in breach of such document, agreement or this Agreement;

assigns;

(f) a reference to a Person includes that Person's successors and permitted

(g) the terms "include" and "including" or similar words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation" and any list of examples following such term shall in no way restrict or limit the generality of the word or provision in respect of which such examples are provided;

(h) references to any statute, code or statutory provision are to be construed as a reference to the same as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, modified or reenacted, and include references to all bylaws, instruments, orders and regulations for the time being made thereunder or deriving validity therefrom unless the context otherwise requires;

(i) in the event of a conflict, a mathematical formula or other precise description of a concept or a term shall prevail over words providing a more general description of a concept or a term;

(j) references to any amount of money shall mean a reference to the amount in United States Dollars;

(k) words, phrases or expressions not otherwise defined herein that (i) have a generally accepted meaning in Prudent Operating Practice shall have such meaning in this Agreement or (ii) do not have well known and generally accepted meaning in Prudent Operating Practice but that have well known and generally accepted technical or trade meanings, shall have such recognized meanings;

(1) "or" is not necessarily exclusive; and

(m) each Party acknowledges that it was represented by counsel in connection with this Agreement and that it or its counsel reviewed this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 TERM; CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

2.1 Contract Term.

(a) The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Execution Date and shall continue until the conclusion of the Delivery Term, subject to any early termination provisions and any contract term extension provisions set forth herein ("<u>Contract Term</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that subject to Buyer's obligations in Section 3.6, Buyer's obligations to pay for or accept any Product are subject to Seller's completion of the conditions precedent pursuant to Section 2.5.

2.2 **Binding Nature**.

(a) <u>Upon Execution Date.</u> This Agreement will be in full force and effect, enforceable and binding in all respects, as of the Execution Date. Unless otherwise specified, all obligations of the Parties are binding through the Delivery Term.



2.4 <u>Survival</u>. Applicable provisions of this Agreement shall continue in effect after termination, including early termination, to the extent necessary to enforce or complete the duties, obligations or responsibilities of the Parties arising prior to termination. The confidentiality obligations of the Parties under ARTICLE 18 and all indemnity and audit rights shall remain in full force and effect for five (5) years following the termination of this Agreement.

2.5 <u>Conditions Precedent</u>. The Delivery Term shall not commence until Seller completes each of the following conditions:

(a) The Approval Condition Precedent has been satisfied in accordance with Section 2.3;

(b) Seller has delivered to Buyer (i) a certificate from a Licensed Professional Engineer substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit H</u> and (ii) a certificate from a Licensed Professional

Engineer substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit I</u> setting forth the Installed Capacity on the Commercial Operation Date;

(c) A Participating Generator Agreement and a Meter Service Agreement between Seller and CAISO shall have been executed and delivered and be in full force and effect, and a copy of each such agreement delivered to Buyer;

(d) An Interconnection Agreement between Seller and the PTO shall have been executed and delivered and be in full force and effect and a copy of the Interconnection Agreement delivered to Buyer;

(e) All applicable regulatory authorizations, approvals and permits for operation of the Facility have been obtained

and all conditions thereof that are capable of being satisfied on the Commercial Operation Date have been satisfied and shall be in full force and effect, and Seller has delivered to Buyer an attestation certificate from an officer of Seller certifying to the satisfaction of this condition;

(f) Seller has received CEC Precertification of the Facility

(g) Seller (with the reasonable participation of Buyer) shall have completed all applicable WREGIS registration requirements, including the completion and submittal of all applicable registration forms and supporting documentation, which may include applicable interconnection agreements, informational surveys related to the Facility, QRE service agreements, and other appropriate documentation required to effect Facility registration with WREGIS and to enable Renewable Energy Credit transfers related to the Facility within the WREGIS system;

(h) Seller has delivered the to Buyer in accordance with

Section 8.8;

(i) Seller has paid Buyer for all amounts owing under this Agreement, if any, including Construction Delay Damages and COD Delay Damages; and

(j) The Facility meets the eligibility criteria for a DAC Green Tariff ("DAC-GT") project pursuant to CPUC D.18-06-027, D.18-10-007, and Resolution E-4999 in effect as of the Execution Date.

2.6 <u>Development; Construction; Progress Reports</u>. Within fifteen (15) days after the close of (i) each calendar quarter from the first calendar quarter following the Execution Date until the Construction Start Date, and (ii) each calendar month from the first calendar month following the Construction Start Date until the Commercial Operation Date, Seller shall provide to Buyer a Progress Report and agree to regularly scheduled meetings between representatives of Buyer and Seller to review such monthly reports and discuss Seller's construction progress. Details regarding the form and content of the Progress Report are set forth in <u>Exhibit E</u>. Seller shall also provide Buyer with any reasonable requested documentation (subject to confidentiality restrictions) directly related to the achievement of Milestones within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of such request by Seller. For the avoidance of doubt, Seller is solely responsible for the design and construction of the Facility, including the location of the Site, obtaining all permits and approvals to build the Facility, the Facility layout, and the selection and procurement of the equipment comprising the Facility.

Remedial Action Plan. If Seller misses Milestones, or misses 2.7 by more than , except as the result of Force Majeure Event or Event any of Default, Seller shall submit to Buyer, within of such missed Milestone completion date, a remedial action plan ("Remedial Action Plan"), which will describe in detail any delays (actual or anticipated) beyond the scheduled Milestone dates, including the cause of the delay (e.g., governmental approvals, financing, property acquisition, design activities, equipment procurement, project construction, interconnection, or any other factor), Seller's detailed description of its proposed course of action to achieve the missed Milestones and all subsequent Milestones by the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date; provided, that delivery of any Remedial Action Plan shall not relieve Seller of its obligation to provide Remedial Action Plans with respect to any subsequent Milestones and to achieve the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PURCHASE AND SALE

3.1 **Purchase and Sale of Product**.

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, during the Delivery Term, Buyer will purchase all the Product produced by or associated with the Facility at the Contract Price and in accordance with <u>Exhibit C</u>, and Seller shall supply and deliver to Buyer all the Product produced by or associated with the Facility. At its sole discretion, Buyer may during the Delivery Term re-sell or use for another purpose all or a portion of the Product, provided that no such re-sale or use shall relieve Buyer of any obligations hereunder. During the Delivery Term, Buyer will have exclusive rights to offer, bid, or otherwise submit the Product from the Facility after the Delivery Point for resale in the market, and retain and receive any and all related revenues. Buyer has no obligation to purchase from Seller any Product for which the associated Facility energy is not or cannot be delivered to the Delivery Point as a result of an outage of the Facility, a Force Majeure Event, a Curtailment Order, or, if applicable, the curtailment of any transmission required to deliver the Product to the Delivery Point.

3.2 <u>Sale of Green Attributes</u>. During the Delivery Term, Seller shall sell and deliver to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase from Seller, all Green Attributes attributable to the Facility Energy generated by the Facility.

3.3 **Imbalance Energy**. Buyer and Seller recognize that in any given Settlement Period the amount of Facility Energy may deviate from the amount of Energy scheduled with the CAISO. To the extent there are such deviations, any costs or revenues from such imbalances shall be allocated to the Buyer.

3.4 <u>Ownership of Renewable Energy Incentives</u>. Seller shall have all right, title and interest in and to all Renewable Energy Incentives. Buyer acknowledges that any Renewable Energy Incentives belong to Seller. If any Renewable Energy Incentives, or values representing the same, are initially credited or paid to Buyer, Buyer shall cause such Renewable Energy Incentives or values relating to same to be assigned or transferred to Seller without delay. Buyer shall reasonably cooperate with Seller, at Seller's sole expense, in Seller's efforts to meet the requirements for any certification, registration, or reporting program relating to Renewable Energy Incentives.

3.5 **Future Environmental Attributes**.

(a) The Parties acknowledge and agree that as of the Execution Date, environmental attributes sold under this Agreement are restricted to Green Attributes; however, Future Environmental Attributes may be created by a Governmental Authority through Laws enacted after the Execution Date. Subject to the final sentence of this Section 3.5(a), and Sections 3.5(b) and 3.10, in such event, Buyer shall bear all costs and risks associated with the transfer, qualification, verification, registration and ongoing compliance for such Future Environmental Attributes, but there shall be no increase in the Contract Price. Upon Seller's receipt of Notice from Buyer of Buyer's intent to claim such Future Environmental Attributes, the Parties shall determine the necessary actions and additional costs associated with such Future Environmental Attributes. Seller shall have no obligation to alter the Facility, unless the Parties have agreed on all necessary terms and conditions relating to such alteration and Buyer has agreed to reimburse Seller for all costs, losses, and liabilities associated with such alteration.

(b) If Buyer elects to receive Future Environmental Attributes pursuant to Section 3.5(a), the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith with respect to the development of further agreements and documentation necessary to effectuate the transfer of such Future Environmental Attributes, including agreement with respect to (i) appropriate transfer, delivery and risk of loss mechanisms, and (ii) appropriate allocation of any additional costs to Buyer, as set forth above; *provided*, that the Parties acknowledge and agree that such terms are not intended to alter the other material terms of this Agreement.

3.6 <u>Test Energy</u>. If and to the extent the Facility generates Test Energy, Seller shall sell and Buyer shall purchase from Seller all Test Energy and any associated Products on an asavailable basis. As compensation for such Test Energy and any associated Products, Buyer shall pay Seller an amount equal to <u>received by Buyer</u> for the Facility Energy and any associated Products (the "<u>Test Energy Rate</u>"). For the avoidance of doubt, the conditions precedent in Section 2.5 are not applicable to the Parties' obligations under this Section 3.6.

3.7 <u>CEC Certification and Verification</u>. Seller shall take all necessary steps including, but not limited to, making or supporting timely filings with the CEC to obtain and maintain CEC Certification and Verification for the Facility throughout the Delivery Term, including compliance with all applicable requirements for certified facilities set forth in the current version of the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* (or its successor). Seller shall obtain CEC Precertification by the Commercial Operation Date. Within thirty (30) days after the Commercial Operation Date, Seller shall apply with the CEC for final CEC Certification and Verification. Within one hundred

eighty (180) days after the Commercial Operation Date, Seller shall obtain and maintain throughout the remainder of the Delivery Term the final CEC Certification and Verification. Seller must promptly notify Buyer and the CEC of any changes to the information included in Seller's application for CEC Certification and Verification for the Facility.

3.8 <u>Eligibility</u>. Subject to Section 3.10 and the timing requirements of Section 3.7, Seller and, if applicable, its successors, represents and warrants that throughout the Delivery Term of this Agreement that: (i) the Facility qualifies and is pre-certified or certified by the CEC as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource as such term is defined in Public Utilities Code Section 399.12 or Section 399.16; and (ii) the Facility's electrical energy output delivered to Buyer qualifies under the requirements of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard. To the extent a change in law occurs after execution of this Agreement that causes this representation and warranty to be materially false or misleading, it shall not be an Event of Default if Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to comply with such change in law. The term "commercially reasonable efforts" as used in this Section 3.8 means efforts consistent with and subject to Section 3.10.

3.9 <u>California Renewables Portfolio Standard</u>.

(a) <u>Eligibility</u>. Seller, and, if applicable, its successors, represents and warrants that throughout the Delivery Term of this Agreement that: (i) the Facility qualifies and is certified by the CEC as an Eligible Renewable Energy Resource as such term is defined in Public Utilities Code Section 399.12 or Section 399.16; and (ii) the Facility's electrical energy output delivered to Buyer qualifies under the requirements of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard. To the extent a change in law occurs after execution of this Agreement that causes this representation and warranty to be materially false or misleading, it shall not be an Event of Default if Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to comply with such change in law. The term "commercially reasonable efforts" as used in this Section 3.9 means efforts consistent with and subject to Section 3.10. [STC 6].

(b) <u>Transfer of Renewable Energy Credits</u>. Seller and, if applicable, its successors, represents and warrants that throughout the Delivery Term of this Agreement the Renewable Energy Credits transferred to Buyer conform to the definition and attributes required for compliance with the California Renewables Portfolio Standard, as set forth in California Public Utilities Commission Decision 08-08-028, and as may be modified by subsequent decision of the California Public Utilities Commission or by subsequent legislation. To the extent a change in law occurs after execution of this Agreement that causes this representation and warranty to be materially false or misleading, it shall not be an Event of Default if Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to comply with such change in law. [STC REC-1].

(c) <u>Tracking of RECs in WREGIS</u>. Seller warrants that all necessary steps to allow the Renewable Energy Credits transferred to Buyer to be tracked in the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System will be taken prior to the first delivery under the Contract. [STC REC-2].

3.10 <u>Compliance Expenditure Cap</u>.

The Parties acknowledge that an essential purpose of this Agreement is to (a) provide renewable generation that meets the requirements of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard and that Governmental Authorities, including the CEC, CPUC, CAISO and WREGIS, may undertake actions to implement changes in Law. Seller agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with respect to any future changes to this Agreement needed to satisfy requirements of Governmental Authorities associated with changes in Law to maximize benefits to Buyer, including: (i) modification of the description of Green Attributes, as may be required, including updating the Agreement to reflect any mandatory contractual language required by Governmental Authorities; (ii) submission of any reports, data, or other information required by Governmental Authorities; or (iii) all other actions that may be required to assure that this Agreement or the Facility is eligible. as an ERR and other benefits under the California Renewables Portfolio Standard; provided that Seller shall have no obligation to modify this Agreement, or take other actions not required under this Agreement, if such modifications or actions would materially adversely affect, or could reasonably be expected to have or result in a material adverse effect on, any of Seller's rights, benefits, risks and/or obligations under this Agreement.

(b) If a change in Laws occurring after the Execution Date has increased Seller's known or reasonably expected costs to comply with Seller's obligations under this Agreement with respect to obtaining, maintaining, conveying or effectuating Buyer's use of (as applicable) any Product pursuant to

then the Parties agree that the maximum aggregate amount of costs and expenses Seller shall be required to bear during the Delivery Term to comply with all of such obligations shall be capped at of Guaranteed Capacity in aggregate over the

Contract Term (the "<u>Compliance Expenditure Cap</u>").

(c) If Seller reasonably anticipates the need to incur out-of-pocket expenses in excess of the Compliance Expenditure Cap in order to take any Compliance Action, Seller shall provide Notice to Buyer of such anticipated out-of-pocket expenses.

(d) Buyer will have sixty (60) Days to evaluate such Notice (during which time period Seller is not obligated to take any Compliance Actions described in the Notice) and shall, within such time, either (1) agree to reimburse Seller for all of the costs that exceed the Compliance Expenditure Cap (such Buyer-agreed upon costs (including lost production, if any), the "<u>Accepted</u> <u>Compliance Costs</u>"), or (2) waive Seller's obligation to take such Compliance Actions. If Buyer does not respond to a Notice given by Seller under this Section 3.10 within sixty (60) days after Buyer's receipt of same, Buyer shall be deemed to have waived its rights to require Seller to take the Compliance Actions for the Compliance Action(s) described in the Notice.

(e) If Buyer agrees to reimburse Seller for the Accepted Compliance Costs, then Seller shall take such Compliance Actions covered by the Accepted Compliance Costs as agreed upon by the Parties and Buyer shall pay Seller in advance to effect the Compliance Actions. Under no circumstances shall Seller be obligated to expend more than the Accepted Compliance Costs. When the Compliance Actions are completed, if the Seller's actual costs are less than the Accepted Compliance Costs, Seller shall refund the excess to Buyer. Any change in the value of any attributes provided by Seller to Buyer resulting from any change in Law shall not affect the Contract Price or Buyer's obligation to pay Seller for any attributes delivered.

ARTICLE 4 OBLIGATIONS AND DELIVERIES

4.1 **<u>Delivery</u>**.

(a) <u>Energy</u>. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, commencing on the Commercial Operation Date through the end of the Contract Term, Seller shall supply and deliver the Product to Buyer at the Delivery Point, and Buyer shall take delivery of the Product at the Delivery Point in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Seller will be responsible for paying or satisfying when due any costs or charges imposed in connection with the delivery of Facility Energy to the Delivery Point, including without limitation, any operation and maintenance charges imposed by the Transmission Provider directly relating to the Facility's operations. Buyer shall be responsible for all costs, charges and penalties, if any, imposed in connection with the delivery of Facility Energy at and after the Delivery Point, including without limitation transmission costs and transmission line losses and imbalance charges. The Facility Energy will be scheduled to the CAISO by Buyer (or Buyer's designated Scheduling Coordinator) in accordance with <u>Exhibit D</u>.

(b) <u>Green Attributes</u>. All Green Attributes associated with the Facility during the Delivery Term are exclusively dedicated to and vested in Buyer. Seller represents and warrants that Seller holds the rights to all Green Attributes from the Facility, and Seller agrees to convey and hereby conveys all such Green Attributes to Buyer as included in the delivery of the Product from the Facility.

4.2 <u>Title and Risk of Loss</u>.

(a) <u>Energy</u>. Title to and risk of loss related to the Facility Energy, shall pass and transfer from Seller to Buyer at the Delivery Point. Seller warrants that all Product delivered to Buyer is free and clear of all liens, security interests, claims and encumbrances of any kind.

(b) <u>Green Attributes</u>. Title to and risk of loss related to the Green Attributes shall pass and transfer from Seller to Buyer upon the transfer of such Green Attributes in accordance with WREGIS. Seller shall cooperate reasonably with Buyer, at Buyer's expense, in order for Buyer to register, hold, and manage such Green Attributes in Buyer's own name and to Buyer's accounts.

4.3 **Forecasting**. Seller shall provide the forecasts described below at its sole expense and in a format acceptable to Buyer (or Buyer's designee). Seller shall use reasonable efforts to provide forecasts that are accurate and, to the extent not inconsistent with the requirements of this Agreement, shall prepare such forecasts, or cause such forecasts to be prepared, in accordance with Prudent Operating Practices.

(a) <u>Annual Forecast of Energy</u>. No less than forty-five (45) days before (i) the first day of the first Contract Year of the Delivery Term and (ii) at the beginning of each calendar

year for every subsequent Contract Year during the Delivery Term, Seller shall provide to Buyer and the SC (if applicable) a non-binding forecast of each month's average-day expected Facility Energy, by hour, for the following calendar year in a form substantially similar to the table found in Exhibit F-1, or as reasonably requested by Buyer.

(b) <u>Monthly Forecast of Energy and Available Generating Capacity</u>. No less than thirty (30) days before the beginning of Commercial Operation, and thereafter ten (10) Business Days before the beginning of each month during the Delivery Term, Seller shall provide to Buyer and the SC (if applicable) a non-binding forecast of the hourly expected Energy and Available Generating Capacity for each day of the following month in a form substantially similar to the table found in <u>Exhibit F-2</u> ("<u>Monthly Delivery Forecast</u>").

(c) <u>EIRP; VER Forecast</u>. From the commencement of the Delivery Term until the Facility obtains EIRP certification, Seller shall provide a VER Forecast in accordance with the requirements set forth in the CAISO Tariff. In the event that EIRP and/or any protocols relating thereto are terminated or are otherwise not applicable to the Facility, Seller shall thereafter be responsible for providing Buyer with Day-Ahead Forecasts and Real-Time Forecasts in accordance with the following:

(i) Day-Ahead Forecast. If forecasts are required in accordance with Section 4.3(c), by 5:30 AM Pacific Prevailing Time on the Business Day immediately preceding the date of delivery, or as otherwise specified by Buyer consistent with Prudent Operating Practice, Seller shall provide Buyer with a non-binding forecast of (A) Available Generating Capacity and (B) hourly expected Energy, in each case, for each hour of the immediately succeeding day ("Dav-Ahead Forecast"). A Day-Ahead Forecast provided in a day prior to any non-Business Day(s) shall include non-binding forecasts for the immediate day, each succeeding non-Business Day and the next Business Day. Each Day-Ahead Forecast shall clearly identify, for each hour, Seller's best estimate of (X) the Available Generating Capacity and (Y) the hourly expected Energy. These Day-Ahead Forecast shall be sent to Buyer's on-duty Scheduling Coordinator. If Seller fails to provide Buyer with a Day-Ahead Forecast as required herein for any period, then for such unscheduled delivery period only Buyer shall rely on any Real-Time Forecast provided in accordance with Section 4.3(c)(ii) or the Monthly Delivery Forecast or Buyer's best estimate based on information reasonably available to Buyer.

(ii) *Real-Time Forecasts*. If Real-Time Forecasts are required in accordance with the foregoing, Seller shall notify Buyer of any changes from the Day-Ahead Forecast of one (1) MW or more in (i) Available Generating Capacity or (ii) hourly expected Energy, in each case, whether due to Forced Facility Outage, Force Majeure Event or other cause, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than one (1) hour prior to the deadline for submitting Schedules to the CAISO in accordance with the rules for participation in the Real-Time Market. If the Available Generating Capacity or hourly expected Energy changes by at least one (1) MW as of a time that is less than one (1) hour prior to the Real-Time Market deadline, but before such deadline, then Seller must notify Buyer as soon as reasonably possible. Such Real-Time Forecasts of Energy shall be provided by an Approved Forecast Vendor and shall contain information regarding the beginning date and time of the event resulting in the change in Available Generating Capacity or hourly expected Energy, as applicable, the expected end date and time of such event, and any other information required by the CAISO or reasonably requested by Buyer. With respect

to any Forced Facility Outage, Seller shall use best efforts to notify Buyer of such outage within ten (10) minutes of the commencement of the Forced Facility Outage. Seller shall inform Buyer of any developments that will affect either the duration of such outage or the availability of the Facility during or after the end of such outage. These Real-Time Forecasts shall be communicated in a method reasonably acceptable to Buyer; <u>provided</u> that Buyer specifies the method no later than five (5) Business Days prior to the effective date of such requirement. In the event Buyer fails to provide Notice of an acceptable method for communications under this Section 4.3(c)(ii), then Seller shall send such communications by telephone and email to Buyer.

(d) <u>Forced Facility Outages.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Seller shall promptly notify Buyer's on-duty Scheduling Coordinator of Forced Facility Outages and Seller shall keep Buyer informed of any developments that will affect either the duration of the outage or the availability of the Facility during or after the end of the outage.



(f) <u>CAISO Tariff Requirements</u>. Subject to the limitations expressly set forth in Section 3.10, to the extent such obligations are applicable to the Facility, Seller will comply with all applicable obligations for Variable Energy Resources under the CAISO Tariff and the Eligible Intermittent Resource Protocol, including providing appropriate operational data and meteorological data, and will fully cooperate with Buyer, Buyer's SC, and CAISO, in providing all data, information, and authorizations required thereunder.

4.4 **<u>Dispatch Down/Curtailment</u>**.

(a) <u>General</u>. Seller agrees to reduce the amount of Facility Energy produced by the Facility, by the amount and for the period set forth in any Curtailment Order, Buyer Curtailment Order, or notice received from CAISO in respect of a Buyer Bid Curtailment.

(b) <u>Buyer Curtailment</u>. Buyer shall have the right to order Seller to curtail deliveries of Facility Energy through Buyer Curtailment Orders, provided that Buyer shall pay Seller for all Deemed Delivered Energy associated with a Buyer Curtailment Period in excess of the Curtailment Cap at the Contract Price in accordance with <u>Exhibit C</u>.

(c) <u>Failure to Comply</u>. If Seller fails to comply with a Buyer Curtailment Order, Buyer Bid Curtailment or Curtailment Order, then,

(d) Seller Equipment Required for Curtailment Instruction Communications. Seller shall acquire, install, and maintain such facilities, communications links and other equipment, and implement such protocols and practices, as necessary to respond and follow instructions, including an electronic signal conveying real time and intra-day instructions, to operate the Facility as directed by the Buyer in accordance with this Agreement or a Governmental Authority, including to implement a Buyer Curtailment Order, Buyer Bid Curtailment or Curtailment Order in accordance with the then-current methodology used to transmit such instructions as it may change from time to time. If at any time during the Delivery Term Seller's facilities, communications links or other equipment, protocols or practices are not in compliance with then-current methodologies, Seller shall take the steps necessary to become compliant as soon as reasonably possible. Seller shall be liable pursuant to Section 4.4(c) for failure to comply with a Buyer Curtailment Order, Buyer Bid Curtailment or Curtailment Order, during the time that Seller's facilities, communications links or other equipment, protocols or practices are not in compliance with then-current methodologies. For the avoidance of doubt, a Buyer Curtailment Order, Buyer Bid Curtailment or Curtailment Order communication via such systems and facilities shall have the same force and effect on Seller as any other form of communication.

4.5 **<u>Reduction in Delivery Obligation</u>**. For the avoidance of doubt, and in no way limiting Section 3.1 or <u>Exhibit G</u>:



(b) <u>Forced Facility Outage</u>. Seller shall be permitted to reduce deliveries of Product during any Forced Facility Outage. Seller shall provide Buyer with Notice and expected duration (if known) of any Forced Facility Outage.

(c) <u>System Emergencies; Curtailment</u>. Seller shall be permitted to reduce deliveries of Product during any period of System Emergency, Buyer Curtailment Period or upon Notice of a Curtailment Order pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the Interconnection Agreement or applicable tariff.

(d) <u>Force Majeure Event</u>. Seller shall be permitted to reduce deliveries of Product during any Force Majeure Event.

(e) <u>Health and Safety</u>. Seller shall be permitted to reduce deliveries of Product as necessary to maintain health and safety pursuant to Section 6.2.

4.6 <u>**Guaranteed Energy Production</u>**. Seller shall be required to deliver to Buyer no less than the Guaranteed Energy Production in each Performance Measurement Period. For purposes of determining whether Seller has achieved the Guaranteed Energy Production, Seller shall be deemed to have delivered to Buyer all (1) Deemed Delivered Energy and (2) Lost Output from the Performance Measurement Period. If Seller fails to achieve the Guaranteed Energy Production amount in any Performance Measurement Period, Seller shall pay Buyer the Guaranteed Energy Production Damages calculated in accordance with Exhibit G.</u>

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4.8 WREGIS. Seller shall, at its sole expense, take all actions and execute all documents or instruments necessary to ensure that all WREGIS Certificates associated with all Renewable Energy Credits corresponding to all Facility Energy are issued and tracked for purposes of satisfying the requirements of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard and transferred in a timely manner to Buyer for Buyer's sole benefit. Seller shall transfer the Renewable Energy Credits to Buyer. Seller shall comply with all Laws, including the WREGIS Operating Rules, regarding the certification and transfer of such WREGIS Certificates to Buyer and Buyer shall be given sole title to all such WREGIS Certificates. Seller shall be deemed to have satisfied the warranty in Section 3.9(c), provided that Seller fulfills its obligations under Sections 4.8(a) through (f) below. In addition:

(a) Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Seller shall register the Facility with WREGIS and establish an account with WREGIS ("<u>Seller's WREGIS Account</u>"), which Seller shall maintain until the end of the Delivery Term. Seller shall transfer the WREGIS Certificates using "<u>Forward Certificate Transfers</u>" (as described in the WREGIS Operating Rules) from Seller's WREGIS Account to the WREGIS account(s) of Buyer or the account(s) of a designee that Buyer identifies by Notice to Seller ("<u>Buyer's WREGIS Account</u>"). Seller shall be responsible for all expenses associated with registering the Facility with WREGIS, establishing and maintaining Seller's WREGIS Account, paying WREGIS Certificate issuance and transfer fees, and transferring WREGIS Certificates from Seller's WREGIS Account to Buyer's WREGIS Account.

(b) Seller shall cause Forward Certificate Transfers to occur on a monthly basis in accordance with the certification procedure established by the WREGIS Operating Rules. Since WREGIS Certificates will only be created for whole MWh amounts of Facility Energy generated, any fractional MWh amounts (i.e., kWh) will be carried forward until sufficient generation is accumulated for the creation of a WREGIS Certificate.

(c) Seller shall, at its sole expense, ensure that the WREGIS Certificates for a given calendar month correspond with the Facility Energy for such calendar month.

(d) Due to the ninety (90) day delay in the creation of WREGIS Certificates relative to the timing of invoice payment under Section 8.2, Buyer shall make an invoice payment for a given month in accordance with Section 8.2 before the WREGIS Certificates for such month are formally transferred to Buyer in accordance with the WREGIS Operating Rules and this

Section 4.8. Notwithstanding this delay, Buyer shall have all right and title to all such WREGIS Certificates upon payment to Seller in accordance with Section 8.2.

(e) A "<u>WREGIS Certificate Deficit</u>" means any deficit or shortfall in WREGIS Certificates delivered to Buyer for a calendar month as compared to the Facility Energy for the same calendar month ("**Deficient Month**") caused by an error or omission of Seller.

(f) If WREGIS changes the WREGIS Operating Rules after the Execution Date or applies the WREGIS Operating Rules in a manner inconsistent with this Section 4.8 after the Execution Date, the Parties promptly shall modify this Section 4.8 as reasonably required to cause and enable Seller to transfer to Buyer's WREGIS Account a quantity of WREGIS Certificates for each given calendar month that corresponds to the Facility Energy in the same calendar month.

4.9 <u>Interconnection Capacity</u>. Seller shall have and maintain interconnection capacity under the Interconnection Agreement available or allocable to the Facility in a quantity that is no less than the Guaranteed Capacity that enables the Facility to interconnect with the CAISO Grid and fulfill its obligations under this Agreement during the Test Energy period and throughout the Delivery Term (the "<u>Dedicated Interconnection Capacity</u>"). Seller shall be responsible for all costs of interconnecting the Facility to the Transmission System.

4.10 <u>Green-E Certification</u>. Upon request of Buyer, Seller shall submit a Green-e[®] Energy Tracking Attestation Form ("<u>Attestation</u>") for Product delivered under this Agreement to the Center for Resource Solutions ("<u>CRS</u>") at <u>https://www.tfaforms.com/4652008</u> or its successor. The Attestation shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of CRS and shall be submitted within thirty (30) days of Buyer's request or the last day of the month in which the applicable Facility Energy was generated, whichever is later.

ARTICLE 5 TAXES

5.1 <u>Allocation of Taxes and Charges</u>. Seller shall pay or cause to be paid all Taxes on or with respect to the Facility or on or with respect to the sale and making available of Product to Buyer, that are imposed on Product prior to its delivery to Buyer at the time and place contemplated under this Agreement. Buyer shall pay or cause to be paid all Taxes on or with respect to the delivery to and purchase by Buyer of Product that are imposed on Product at and after its delivery to Buyer at the time and place contemplated under this Agreement (other than withholding or other Taxes imposed on Seller's income, revenue, receipts or employees), if any. If a Party is required to remit or pay Taxes that are the other Party's responsibility hereunder, such Party shall promptly pay the Taxes due and then seek and receive reimbursement from the other for such Taxes. In the event any sale of Product hereunder is exempt from or not subject to any particular Tax, Buyer shall provide Seller with all necessary documentation within thirty (30) days after the Execution Date to evidence such exemption or exclusion. If Buyer does not provide such documentation, then Buyer shall indemnify, defend, and hold Seller harmless from any liability with respect to Taxes from which Buyer claims it is exempt.

5.2 <u>Cooperation</u>. Each Party shall use reasonable efforts to implement the provisions of and administer this Agreement in accordance with the intent of the Parties to minimize all Taxes, so long as no Party is materially adversely affected by such efforts. The Parties shall cooperate to minimize Tax exposure; *provided*, *however*, that neither Party shall be obligated to incur any financial or operational burden to reduce Taxes for which the other Party is responsible hereunder without receiving due compensation therefor from the other Party. All Product delivered by Seller to Buyer hereunder shall be a sale made at wholesale, with Buyer reselling such Product.

5.3 <u>Ownership</u>. Seller shall be the owner of the Facility for federal income tax purposes and, as such, Seller (or its Affiliates or Lenders) shall be entitled to all depreciation deductions associated with the Facility and to any and all Tax Credits or other tax benefits associated with the Facility, including any such tax credits or tax benefits under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and all Renewable Energy Incentives. The Parties intend this Agreement to be a "service contract" within the meaning of Section 7701(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The Parties will not take the position on any tax return or in any other filings suggesting that it is anything other than a purchase of the Product from the Seller or that this agreement is anything other than a "service contract" within the meaning of Section 7701(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

ARTICLE 6 MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITY

6.1 <u>Maintenance of the Facility</u>. Seller shall comply with Law and Prudent Operating Practice relating to the operation and maintenance of the Facility, the generation and sale of Product, and the disposal and recycling of any equipment associated with the Facility, including without limitation solar panels.

6.2 <u>Maintenance of Health and Safety</u>. Seller shall take reasonable safety precautions with respect to the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of the Facility. If Seller becomes aware of any circumstances relating to the Facility that create an imminent risk of damage or injury to any Person or any Person's property, Seller shall take prompt action to prevent such damage or injury and shall give Notice to Buyer's emergency contact identified on <u>Exhibit</u> <u>N</u> of such condition. Such action may include, to the extent reasonably necessary, disconnecting and removing all or a portion of the Facility, or suspending the supply of Energy to Buyer.

6.3 <u>Shared Facilities</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that certain of the Interconnection Facilities, Seller's rights and obligations under the Interconnection Agreement and Seller's rights and obligations under transmission service agreements with a Transmission Provider, may be subject to certain shared facilities and/or co-tenancy agreements ("<u>Shared Facilities Agreements</u>") to be entered into among two or more of Seller, the Participating Transmission Owner, Seller's Affiliates, and/or third parties pursuant to which certain Interconnection Facilities, interconnection service and/or transmission service may be subject to

joint ownership and/or shared maintenance and operation arrangements; *provided* that such Shared Facilities Agreements (i) shall permit Seller to perform or satisfy, and shall not purport to limit, its obligations hereunder, including providing the Dedicated Interconnection Capacity, (ii) continue to provide for separate metering and a separate Resource ID for the Facility, and (iii) shall not allow any Affiliate of Seller or third party to use the Dedicated Interconnection Capacity if such use would have an adverse impact on Buyer's dispatch rights of the Facility. Seller shall hold Buyer harmless from any penalties, imbalance energy charges, or other costs or losses from CAISO or under the Agreement resulting from a third party's use of the Dedicated Interconnection Capacity.

ARTICLE 7 METERING

7.1 <u>Metering</u>. Seller shall measure the amount of Facility Energy using the Facility Meter. All meters will be operated pursuant to applicable CAISO-approved calculation methodologies and maintained at Seller's cost. Metering will be consistent with the metering diagram set forth as <u>Exhibit R</u>, a final version of which shall be provided to Buyer at least thirty (30) days before the Commercial Operation Date. Each meter shall be kept under seal, such seals to be broken only when the meters are to be tested, adjusted, modified or relocated. In the event Seller breaks a seal, Seller shall notify Buyer as soon as practicable. In addition, Seller hereby agrees to provide all meter data to Buyer in a form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, and consents to Buyer obtaining from CAISO the CAISO meter data directly relating to the Facility and all inspection, testing and calibration data and reports. Seller and Buyer, or Buyer's Scheduling Coordinator, shall cooperate to allow both Parties to retrieve the meter reads from the CAISO Market Results Interface – Settlements (MRI-S) (or its successor) or directly from the CAISO meter(s) at the Facility.

7.2 <u>Meter Verification</u>. Annually, if Seller has reason to believe there may be a meter malfunction, or upon Buyer's reasonable request, Seller shall test the meter. The tests shall be conducted by independent third parties qualified to conduct such tests. Buyer shall be notified seven (7) days in advance of such tests and have a right to be present during such tests. If a meter is inaccurate it shall be promptly repaired or replaced.

ARTICLE 8 INVOICING AND PAYMENT; CREDIT

8.1 **Invoicing**. Seller shall make good faith efforts to deliver an invoice to Buyer within after the end of the prior monthly delivery period. Each invoice shall (a) include records of metered data, including CAISO metering and transaction data sufficient to document and verify the amount of Product delivered by the Facility for any Settlement Period during the preceding month, including the amount of Facility Energy delivered to Buyer (if any), the calculation of Deemed Delivered Energy and Adjusted Energy Production, the LMP prices at the Settlement Point and Delivery Point for each Settlement Interval, and the Contract Price applicable to such Product in accordance with Exhibit C; (b) reflect any records, including invoices or settlement data from the CAISO, necessary to verify the accuracy of any amount; and (c) be in a format reasonably specified by Buyer, covering the services provided in the preceding month determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement. Buyer shall, and shall

cause its Scheduling Coordinator to, provide Seller with all reasonable access (including, in real time, to the maximum extent reasonably possible) to any records, including invoices or settlement data from the CAISO, forecast data and other information, all as may be necessary from time to time for Seller to prepare and verify the accuracy of all invoices. The invoice shall be delivered by electronic mail in accordance with <u>Exhibit N</u>.

8.2 **Payment**. Buyer shall make payment to Seller for Product and any other amounts due hereunder by wire transfer or ACH payment to the bank account designated by Seller in Exhibit N, which may be updated by Seller by Notice hereunder. Buyer shall pay undisputed invoice amounts within **Exhibit OPENDED** after receipt of the invoice. If such due date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, such due date shall be the next Business Day. Payments made after the due date will be considered late and will bear interest on the unpaid balance. If the amount due is not paid on or before the due date or if any other payment that is due and owing from one Party to another is not paid on or before its applicable due date, a late payment charge shall be applied to the unpaid balance and shall be added to the next billing statement.

8.3 <u>Books and Records</u>. To facilitate payment and verification, each Party shall maintain all books and records necessary for billing and payments, including copies of all invoices under this Agreement, for a period of at least five (5) years or as otherwise required by Law. Upon five (5) Business Days' Notice to the other Party, either Party shall be granted access to the accounting books and records within the possession or control of the other Party pertaining to all invoices generated pursuant to this Agreement. Seller acknowledges that in accordance with California Government Code Section 8546.7, Seller may be subject to audit by the California State Auditor with regard to Seller's performance of this Agreement because the compensation under this Agreement exceeds Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000).

8.4 <u>Invoice Adjustments</u>. Invoice adjustments shall be made if (a) there have been good faith inaccuracies in invoicing or payment that are not otherwise disputed under Section 8.5, (b) an adjustment to an amount previously invoiced or paid is required due to a correction of data by the CAISO; provided, however, that there shall be no adjustments to prior invoices based upon meter inaccuracies except to the extent that such meter adjustments are accepted by CAISO for revenue purposes. If the required adjustment is in favor of Buyer, Buyer's next monthly payment shall be credited in an amount equal to the adjustment. If the required adjustment is in favor of Seller, Seller shall add the adjustment amount to Buyer's next monthly invoice. Adjustments in favor of either Buyer or Seller shall bear interest, until settled in full, in accordance with Section 8.2, accruing from the date on which the adjusted amount should have been due. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, no adjustment shall be permitted after twenty-four (24) months from the date of the invoice.

8.5 <u>**Billing Disputes.**</u> A Party may, in good faith, dispute the correctness of any invoice or any adjustment to an invoice rendered under this Agreement or adjust any invoice for any

arithmetic or computational error within twelve (12) months of the date the invoice, or adjustment to an invoice, was rendered. In the event an invoice or portion thereof, or any other claim or adjustment arising hereunder, is disputed, payment of the undisputed portion of the invoice shall be required to be made when due. Any invoice dispute or invoice adjustment shall be in writing and shall state the basis for the dispute or adjustment. Payment of the disputed amount shall not be required until the dispute is resolved. Upon resolution of the dispute, any required payment shall be made within five (5) Business Days of such resolution along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from and including the original due date to but excluding the date paid. Inadvertent overpayments shall be returned via adjustments in accordance with Section 8.4. Any dispute with respect to an invoice is waived if the other Party is not notified in accordance with this Section 8.5 within twelve (12) months after the invoice is rendered or subsequently adjusted, except to the extent any misinformation was from a third party not affiliated with any Party and such third party corrects its information after the twelve-month period. If an invoice is not rendered within twelve (12) months after the close of the month during which performance occurred, the right to payment for such performance is waived.

8.6 <u>Netting of Payments</u>. The Parties hereby agree that they shall discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date through netting, in which case all amounts owed by each Party to the other Party for the purchase and sale of Product during the monthly billing period under this Agreement or otherwise arising out of this Agreement, including any related damages calculated pursuant to <u>Exhibit B</u>, interest, and payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the excess amount remaining due shall be paid by the Party who owes it.





8.9 **First Priority Security Interest in Cash or Cash Equivalent Collateral**. To secure its obligations under this Agreement, and until released as provided herein, Seller hereby grants to Buyer a present and continuing first-priority security interest ("<u>Security Interest</u>") in, and lien on (and right to net against), and assignment of the Development Security, Performance Security, any other cash collateral and cash equivalent collateral posted pursuant to Sections 8.7 and 8.8 and any and all interest thereon or proceeds resulting therefrom or from the liquidation thereof, whether now or hereafter held by, on behalf of, or for the benefit of Buyer, and Seller agrees to take all action as Buyer reasonably requires in order to perfect Buyer's Security Interest in, and lien on (and right to net against), such collateral and any and all proceeds resulting therefrom or from the liquidation thereof.

Upon or any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default caused by Seller, an Early Termination Date resulting from an Event of Default caused by Seller, or an occasion provided for in this Agreement where Buyer is authorized to retain all or a portion of the Development Security or Performance Security, Buyer may do any one or more of the following (in each case subject to the final sentence of this Section 8.9):

(a) Exercise any of its rights and remedies with respect to the Development Security and Performance Security, including any such rights and remedies under Law then in effect;

(b) Draw on any outstanding Letter of Credit issued for its benefit and retain any cash held by Buyer as Development Security or Performance Security; and

(c) Liquidate all Development Security or Performance Security (as applicable) then held by or for the benefit of Buyer free from any claim or right of any nature whatsoever of Seller, including any equity or right of purchase or redemption by Seller.

Buyer shall apply the proceeds of the collateral realized upon the exercise of any such rights or remedies to reduce Seller's obligations under this Agreement (Seller remains liable for any amounts owing to Buyer after such application), subject to Buyer's obligation to return any surplus proceeds remaining after these obligations are satisfied in full.

ARTICLE 9 NOTICES

9.1 Addresses for the Delivery of Notices. Any Notice required, permitted, or

contemplated hereunder shall be in writing, shall be addressed to the Party to be notified at the address set forth on <u>Exhibit N</u> or at such other address or addresses as a Party may designate for itself from time to time by Notice hereunder.

9.2 <u>Acceptable Means of Delivering Notice</u>. Except as expressly provided otherwise, each Notice required, permitted, or contemplated hereunder shall be deemed to have been validly served, given or delivered if sent by electronic mail at the time indicated by the time stamp upon delivery, except that if received after 5:00 PM Pacific Prevailing Time, it shall be deemed received on the next Business Day. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Notices of outages or other scheduling or dispatch information or requests, may be sent by electronic mail, or any other mutually-acceptable form of electronic communication, and shall be considered delivered upon successful completion of such transmission. Notices sent pursuant to Article 11 (Defaults; Remedies; Termination), Article 15 (Dispute Resolution), and Article 16 (Indemnification) must concurrently be sent by hand delivery or overnight carrier with delivery fees either prepaid or an arrangement with such carrier made for the payment of such fees.

ARTICLE 10 FORCE MAJEURE

10.1 **Definition**.

(a) "<u>Force Majeure Event</u>" means any act or event that delays or prevents a Party from timely performing all or a portion of its obligations under this Agreement or from complying with all or a portion of the conditions under this Agreement if such act or event, despite the exercise of reasonable efforts, cannot be avoided by and is beyond the reasonable control (whether direct or indirect) of and without the fault or negligence of the Party relying thereon as justification for such delay, nonperformance, or noncompliance.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, so long as the following events, despite the exercise of reasonable efforts, cannot be avoided by, and are beyond the reasonable control (whether direct or indirect) of and without the fault or negligence of the Party relying thereon as justification for such delay, nonperformance or noncompliance, a Force Majeure Event may include an act of God or the elements, such as flooding, lightning, hurricanes, tornadoes, or ice storms; explosion; fire; volcanic eruption; flood; epidemic; landslide; mudslide; sabotage; terrorism; earthquake; or other cataclysmic events; an act of public enemy; war; blockade; civil insurrection; riot; civil disturbance; import restriction delays; or strikes or other labor difficulties caused or suffered by a Party or any third party except as set forth below.

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, so long as the event, despite the use of reasonable efforts, cannot be avoided by, and is beyond the reasonable control of (whether direct or indirect) and without the fault or negligence of the Party relying thereon as justification for such delay, nonperformance, or noncompliance, Force Majeure Event may include an epidemic or pandemic, including in connection with the impacts of and efforts to combat or mitigate the epidemic disease designated COVID-19 and the related virus designated SARS-CoV-2 and any mutations thereof ("COVID-19").

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Force Majeure Event" does not include (i) economic conditions that render a Party's performance of this Agreement at the Contract Price unprofitable or otherwise uneconomic (including an increase in component costs for any reason, including foreign or domestic tariffs, Buyer's ability to buy electric energy at a lower price, or Seller's ability to sell the Product, or any component thereof, at a higher price, than under this Agreement); (ii) Seller's inability to obtain permits or approvals of any type for the construction, operation, or maintenance of the Facility, except to the extent such inability is caused by a Force Majeure Event; (iii) the inability is an event that would otherwise constitute a Force Majeure Event as described above; (iv) a Curtailment Order; (v) Seller's inability to obtain sufficient labor, equipment, materials, or other resources to build or operate the Facility except to the extent such inability is caused by a Force Majeure Event; or (vi) any equipment failure except if such equipment failure is caused by a Force Majeure Event.

(e) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a Force Majeure Event does not excuse Seller's inability to achieve Construction Start of the Facility following the Guaranteed Construction Start Date or achieve Commercial Operation following the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date except to the extent such Force Majeure Event is allowed pursuant to a Development Cure Period.



Notice for Force Majeure. Within five (5) Business Days of the commencement 10.3 of Force Majeure Event, the claiming Party shall provide the other Party with oral notice of the Force Majeure Event, and within two (2) weeks of the commencement of a Force Majeure Event the claiming Party shall provide the other Party with notice in the form of a letter describing in detail the occurrence giving rise to the Force Majeure Event, including the nature, cause, estimated date of commencement thereof, and the anticipated extent of any delay or interruption in performance. Failure to provide timely notice constitutes a waiver of the claiming Party's excused non-performance due to the Force Majeure Event for a number of days equal to the number of days between the deadline to notify the non-claiming Party set forth in this Section 10.3 and the date upon which the claiming Party provides such notice. Upon written request from the nonclaiming Party, the claiming Party shall provide documentation demonstrating to the non-claiming Party's reasonable satisfaction that each day of the claimed delay was the result of a Force Majeure Event and did not result from the claiming Party's actions or failure to exercise due diligence or take reasonable actions. The claiming party shall promptly notify the other Party in writing of the cessation or termination of such Force Majeure Event, all as known or estimated in good faith by the affected Party. The suspension of performance due to a claim of a Force Majeure Event must be of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the Force Majeure Event.

ARTICLE 11 DEFAULTS; REMEDIES; TERMINATION

11.1 Events of Default. An "Event of Default" shall mean,

(a) with respect to a Party (the "<u>Defaulting Party</u>") that is subject to the Event of Default the occurrence of any of the following:

(i) the failure by such Party to make, when due, any payment required pursuant to this Agreement and such failure is not remedied within ten (10) Business Days after Notice thereof;

(ii) any representation or warranty made by such Party herein is false or misleading in any material respect when made or when deemed made or repeated, and such default is not remedied within thirty (30) days after Notice thereof (or such longer additional period, not to exceed an additional sixty (60) days, if the Defaulting Party is unable to remedy such default within such initial thirty (30) days period despite diligently seeking a cure);

(iii) the failure by such Party to perform any material covenant or obligation set forth in this Agreement (except to the extent constituting a separate Event of Default set forth in this Section 11.1), and such failure is not remedied within thirty (30) days after Notice thereof (or such longer additional period, not to exceed an additional ninety (90) days, if the Defaulting Party is unable to remedy such default within such initial thirty (30) days period despite diligently seeking a cure);

(iv) such Party becomes Bankrupt;

(v) such Party assigns this Agreement or any of its rights hereunder other than in compliance with Article 14; or

(b) with respect to Seller as the Defaulting Party, the occurrence of any of the following:

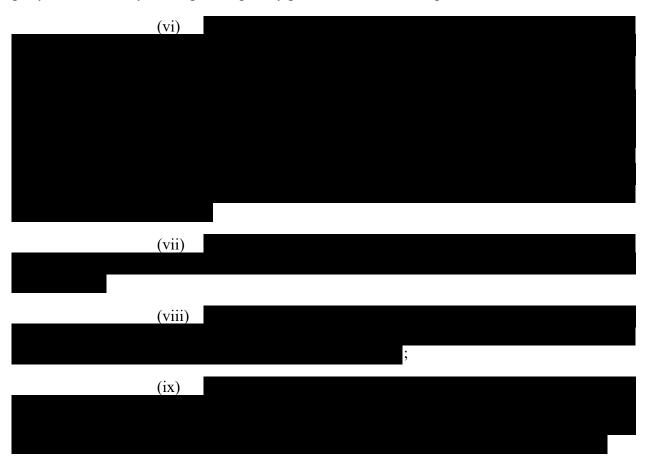
(i) if at any time, Seller delivers or attempts to deliver Energy to the Delivery Point for sale under this Agreement that was not generated by the Facility;

(iii) if not remedied within ten (10) days after Notice thereof, the failure by Seller to deliver a Remedial Action Plan required under Section 2.7 that demonstrates a reasonable plan for completing the Facility by the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date;

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(v) Seller sells, assigns, or otherwise transfers, or commits to sell, assign, or otherwise transfer, the Product, or any portion thereof, during the Delivery Term to any party other than Buyer except as expressly permitted under this Agreement;



(x) with respect to any outstanding Letter of Credit provided for the benefit of Buyer that is not then required under this Agreement to be canceled or returned, the failure by Seller to provide for the benefit of Buyer either (1) cash, or (2) a substitute Letter of Credit from a different issuer meeting the criteria set forth in the definition of Letter of Credit, in each case, in the amount required hereunder within ten (10) Business Days after Seller receives Notice of the occurrence of any of the following events:

(A) the issuer of the outstanding Letter of Credit shall fail to maintain a Credit Rating of at least by S&P or by Moody's;

(B) the issuer of such Letter of Credit becomes Bankrupt;

(C) the issuer of the outstanding Letter of Credit shall fail to comply with or perform its obligations under such Letter of Credit and such failure shall be continuing after the lapse of any applicable grace period permitted under such Letter of Credit; (D) the issuer of the outstanding Letter of Credit shall fail to honor a properly documented request to draw on such Letter of Credit;

(E) the issuer of the outstanding Letter of Credit shall disaffirm, disclaim, repudiate or reject, in whole or in part, or challenge the validity of, such Letter of Credit;

(F) such Letter of Credit fails or ceases to be in full force and effect at any time; or

(G) Seller shall fail to renew or cause the renewal of each outstanding Letter of Credit on a timely basis as provided in the relevant Letter of Credit and as provided in accordance with this Agreement, and in no event less than prior to the expiration of the outstanding Letter of Credit.

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11.2 **Remedies; Declaration of Early Termination Date**. If an Event of Default with respect to a Defaulting Party shall have occurred and be continuing, the other Party ("<u>Non-Defaulting Party</u>") shall have the following rights:

(a) to send Notice, designating a day, no earlier than the day such Notice is deemed to be received and no later than twenty (20) days after such Notice is deemed to be received, as an early termination date of this Agreement ("<u>Early Termination Date</u>") that terminates this Agreement (the "<u>Terminated Transaction</u>") and ends the Delivery Term effective as of the Early Termination Date;

(b) to accelerate all amounts owing between the Parties, and to collect as liquidated damages (i) the Damage Payment (in the case of an Event of Default by Seller occurring before the Commercial Operation Date, including an Event of Default under Section 11.1(b)(ii)), or (ii) the Termination Payment calculated in accordance with Section 11.3 below (in the case of any other Event of Default by either Party);

- (c) to withhold any payments due to the Defaulting Party under this Agreement;
- (d) to suspend performance; or

(e) to exercise any other right or remedy available at law or in equity, including specific performance or injunctive relief, except to the extent such remedies are expressly limited under this Agreement;

provided, that payment by the Defaulting Party of the Damage Payment or Termination Payment, as applicable, shall constitute liquidated damages and the Non-Defaulting Party's sole and

exclusive monetary remedy for any Terminated Transaction and the Event of Default related thereto.

Termination Payment. The Termination Payment ("Termination Payment") for 11.3 a Terminated Transaction shall be the aggregate of all Settlement Amounts plus any or all other amounts due to or from the Non-Defaulting Party (as of the Early Termination Date) netted into a single amount. The Non-Defaulting Party shall calculate, in a commercially reasonable manner, a Settlement Amount for the Terminated Transaction as of the Early Termination Date. Third parties supplying information for purposes of the calculation of Gains or Losses may include, without limitation, dealers in the relevant markets, end-users of the relevant product, information vendors and other sources of market information. The Settlement Amount shall not include consequential, incidental, punitive, exemplary, indirect or business interruption damages. Without prejudice to the Non-Defaulting Party's duty to mitigate, the Non-Defaulting Party shall not have to enter into replacement transactions to establish a Settlement Amount. Each Party agrees and acknowledges that (a) the actual damages that the Non-Defaulting Party would incur in connection with a Terminated Transaction would be difficult or impossible to predict with certainty, (b) the Damage Payment or Termination Payment described in Section 11.2 or this Section 11.3 (as applicable) is a reasonable and appropriate approximation of such damages, and (c) the Damage Payment or Termination Payment described in Section 11.2 or this Section 11.3 (as applicable) is the exclusive remedy of the Non-Defaulting Party in connection with a Terminated Transaction but shall not otherwise act to limit any of the Non-Defaulting Party's rights or remedies if the Non-Defaulting Party does not elect a Terminated Transaction as its remedy for an Event of Default by the Defaulting Party.

11.4 **Notice of Payment of Termination Payment**. As soon as practicable after a Terminated Transaction, Notice shall be given by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party of the amount of the Damage Payment or Termination Payment and whether the Termination Payment is due to or from the Non-Defaulting Party. The Notice shall include a written statement explaining in reasonable detail the calculation of such amount and the sources for such calculation. The Termination Payment shall be made to or from the Non-Defaulting Party, as applicable, within ten (10) Business Days after such Notice is effective.

11.5 **Disputes With Respect to Termination Payment**. If the Defaulting Party disputes the Non-Defaulting Party's calculation of the Termination Payment, in whole or in part, the Defaulting Party shall, within five (5) Business Days of receipt of the Non-Defaulting Party's calculation of the Termination Payment, provide to the Non-Defaulting Party a detailed written explanation of the basis for such dispute. Disputes regarding the Termination Payment shall be determined in accordance with Article 15.

11.6 **<u>Rights And Remedies Are Cumulative</u>**. Except where an express and exclusive remedy or measure of damages is provided, the rights and remedies of a Party pursuant to this Article 11 shall be cumulative and in addition to the rights of the Parties otherwise provided in this Agreement.

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ARTICLE 12 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND EXCLUSION OF WARRANTIES

12.1 <u>No Consequential Damages</u>. EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PART OF AN EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES HEREIN, OR PART OF AN ARTICLE 16 INDEMNITY CLAIM, OR INCLUDED IN A LIQUIDATED DAMAGES CALCULATION, OR ARISING FROM FRAUD OR INTENTIONAL MISREPRESENTATION, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER OR ITS INDEMNIFIED PERSONS FOR ANY SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY, INDIRECT, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, OR LOSSES OR DAMAGES FOR LOST REVENUE OR LOST PROFITS, WHETHER FORESEEABLE OR NOT, ARISING OUT OF, OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT. IF NO REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT DAMAGES ONLY.

12.2 <u>Waiver and Exclusion of Other Damages</u>. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN, THERE IS NO WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE DISCLAIMED. THE PARTIES CONFIRM THAT THE EXPRESS REMEDIES AND MEASURES OF DAMAGES PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT SATISFY THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSES HEREOF. ALL LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY CONTAINED IN THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THOSE PERTAINING TO SELLER'S LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND THE PARTIES' WAIVER OF CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SHALL APPLY EVEN IF THE REMEDIES FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT ARE DEEMED TO "FAIL OF THEIR ESSENTIAL PURPOSE" OR ARE OTHERWISE HELD TO BE INVALID OR UNENFORCEABLE.

FOR BREACH OF ANY PROVISION FOR WHICH AN EXPRESS AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS PROVIDED, SUCH EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY, THE OBLIGOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED AS SET FORTH IN SUCH PROVISION, AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED.

THE EXTENT ANY DAMAGES REQUIRED TO BE PAID HEREUNDER ARE LIQUIDATED, INCLUDING UNDER SECTIONS 3.8, 4.6, 11.2, AND 11.3, AND AS PROVIDED IN <u>EXHIBIT B</u> AND <u>EXHIBIT G</u>. THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DAMAGES ARE DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, THAT OTHERWISE OBTAINING AN ADEQUATE REMEDY IS INCONVENIENT, AND THAT THE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES CONSTITUTE A REASONABLE APPROXIMATION OF THE ANTICIPATED HARM OR LOSS. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PARTIES THAT THE LIMITATIONS HEREIN IMPOSED ON REMEDIES AND THE MEASURE OF DAMAGES BE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES RELATED THERETO, INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY, WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT, OR ACTIVE OR PASSIVE. THE PARTIES HEREBY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO CONTEST SUCH PAYMENTS AS AN UNREASONABLE PENALTY.

THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT MONEY DAMAGES AND THE EXPRESS REMEDIES PROVIDED FOR HEREIN ARE AN ADEQUATE REMEDY FOR THE BREACH BY THE OTHER OF THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT, AND EACH PARTY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE WITH RESPECT TO ANY OBLIGATION OF THE OTHER PARTY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 13 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES; AUTHORITY

13.1 <u>Seller's Representations and Warranties</u>. As of the Execution Date, Seller represents and warrants as follows:

(a) Seller is a limited liability company, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation, and is qualified to conduct business in the state of California and each jurisdiction where the failure to so qualify would have a material adverse effect on the business or financial condition of Seller.

(b) Seller has the power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and is not prohibited from entering into this Agreement or discharging and performing all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this Agreement. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Seller has been duly authorized by all necessary limited liability company action on the part of Seller and does not and will not require the consent of any trustee or holder of any indebtedness or other obligation of Seller or any other party to any other agreement with Seller.

(c) The execution and delivery of this Agreement, consummation of the transactions contemplated herein, and fulfillment of and compliance by Seller with the provisions of this Agreement will not conflict with or constitute a breach of or a default under any Law presently in effect having applicability to Seller, subject to any permits that have not yet been obtained by Seller, the documents of formation of Seller or any outstanding trust indenture, deed of trust, mortgage, loan agreement or other evidence of indebtedness or any other agreement or instrument to which Seller is a party or by which any of its property is bound.

(d) This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Seller. This Agreement is a legal, valid and binding obligation of Seller enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by laws of general applicability limiting the enforcement of creditors' rights or by the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity.

(e) The Facility is located in the State of California.

(f) Seller will be responsible for obtaining all permits necessary to construct and operate the Facility and Seller or an Affiliate will be the applicant on any CEQA documents.

(g) Seller shall maintain Site Control of the Facility throughout the Delivery Term.

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13.2 <u>Buyer's Representations and Warranties</u>. As of the Execution Date, Buyer represents and warrants as follows:

(a) Buyer is a joint powers authority and a validly existing community choice aggregator, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of California and the rules, regulations and orders of the California Public Utilities Commission, and is qualified to conduct business in each jurisdiction of the Joint Powers Agreement members. All Persons making up the governing body of Buyer are the elected or appointed incumbents in their positions and hold their positions in good standing in accordance with the Joint Powers Agreement and other Law.

(b) Buyer has the power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and is not prohibited from entering into this Agreement or discharging and performing all covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this Agreement, except where such failure does not have a material adverse effect on Buyer's performance under this Agreement. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Buyer has been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Buyer and does not and will not require the consent of any trustee or holder of any indebtedness or other obligation of Buyer or any other party to any other agreement with Buyer.

(c) The execution and delivery of this Agreement, consummation of the transactions contemplated herein, and fulfillment of and compliance by Buyer with the provisions of this Agreement will not conflict with or constitute a breach of or a default under any Law presently in effect having applicability to Buyer, the documents of formation of Buyer or any outstanding trust indenture, deed of trust, mortgage, loan agreement or other evidence of indebtedness or any other agreement or instrument to which Buyer is a party or by which any of its property is bound.

(d) This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Buyer. This Agreement is a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by laws of general applicability limiting the enforcement of creditors' rights or by the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity.

(e) Buyer warrants and covenants that with respect to its contractual obligations under this Agreement, it will not claim immunity on the grounds of sovereignty or similar grounds with respect to itself or its revenues or assets from (1) suit, (2) jurisdiction of court (provided that such court is located within a venue permitted in Law and under the Agreement), (3) relief by way of injunction, order for specific performance or recovery of property, (4) attachment of assets, or (5) execution or enforcement of any judgment; provided, however that nothing in this Agreement shall waive the obligations or rights set forth in the California Tort Claims Act (Government Code Section 810 et seq.).

(f) Buyer is a "local public entity" as defined in Section 900.4 of the Government Code of the State of California.

13.3 <u>General Covenants</u>. Each Party covenants that commencing on the Execution Date and continuing throughout the Contract Term:

(a) It shall continue to be duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and to be qualified to conduct business in California and each jurisdiction where the failure to so qualify would have a material adverse effect on its business or financial condition;

(b) It shall maintain (or obtain from time to time as required) all regulatory authorizations necessary for it to legally perform its obligations under this Agreement; and

(c) It shall perform its obligations under this Agreement in compliance with all terms and conditions in its governing documents and in material compliance with any Law.

13.4 <u>Workforce Development</u>. Seller shall perform the obligations related to workforce development set forth in Exhibit S.

ARTICLE 14 ASSIGNMENT

14.1 <u>General Prohibition on Assignments</u>. Neither Party may voluntarily assign this Agreement or its rights or obligations under this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any Change of Control of Seller or direct or indirect change of control of Buyer (whether voluntary or by operation of law) will be deemed an assignment and will require the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld; provided, prior written consent is not required for (i) a sale, assignment, or other transfer of equity in either Party directly or indirectly to an Affiliate or (ii) any Change of Control of Seller where after such Change of Control, Ultimate Parent or an Affiliate owns, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediate entities, more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding equity interests in Seller. Any assignment made without required written consent, or in violation of the conditions to assignment set out below shall be null and void. Seller shall be responsible for Buyer's reasonable costs associated with the preparation, review, execution and delivery of documents in connection with any assignment of this Agreement, including without limitation reasonable attorneys' fees.

14.2 <u>Collateral Assignment</u>. Subject to the provisions of this Section 14.2, Seller has the right to assign this Agreement as collateral for any financing or refinancing of the Facility. In connection with any financing or refinancing of the Facility by Seller, Buyer shall in good faith work with Seller and Lenders to agree upon a consent to collateral assignment of this Agreement ("<u>Collateral Assignment Agreement</u>"). Each Collateral Assignment Agreement must be in form and substance agreed to by Buyer, Seller and the applicable Lender, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld. Buyer will not be subject to obligations under more than one Collateral Assignment Agreement at any time. Each Collateral Assignment Agreement must include, among others, the following provisions unless otherwise agreed to by Buyer, Seller and the applicable Lender.

(a) Buyer shall give notice of an Event of Default by Seller to the Person(s) to be specified by Lender in the Collateral Assignment Agreement before exercising its right to terminate this Agreement as a result of such Event of Default; provided that such notice shall be provided to Lender at the time such notice is provided to Seller and any additional cure period of Lender agreed to in the Collateral Assignment Agreement shall not commence until Lender has received notice of such Event of Default;

(b) Lender (or its designee) will have the right to cure an Event of Default on behalf of Seller if Lender sends a written notice to Buyer before the later of (i) the expiration of any cure period, and (ii) five (5) Business Days after Lender's receipt of notice of such Event of Default from Buyer, indicating Lender's intention to cure. Lender must remedy or cure (or cause to be cured) such Event of Default within the cure period under this Agreement and any additional cure periods agreed in the Collateral Assignment Agreement up to a maximum of ninety (90) days (or, in the event of a bankruptcy of Seller or any foreclosure or similar proceeding if required by Lender to cure any Event of Default, an additional reasonable period of time to complete such proceedings and effect such cure not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days without the written consent of Buyer, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), provided that if Lender is prohibited by any court order or bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings from curing the Event of Default or from commencing or prosecuting foreclosure proceedings, the foregoing time periods shall be extended by the period of such prohibition;

(c) Following an Event of Default by Seller under this Agreement, Buyer may require Seller (or Lender, if Lender has provided the notice set forth in subsection (b) above) to provide to Buyer a report concerning:

(i) The status of efforts by Seller or Lender to develop a plan to cure the Event of Default;

(ii) Impediments to the cure plan or its development;

(iii) If a cure plan has been adopted, the status of the cure plan's implementation (including any modifications to the plan as well as the expected timeframe within which any cure is expected to be implemented); and

(iv) Any other information which Buyer may reasonably require related to the development, implementation and timetable of the cure plan.

Seller or Lender must provide the report to Buyer within ten (10) Business Days after Notice from Buyer requesting the report. Buyer will have no further right to require the report with respect to a particular Event of Default after that Event of Default has been cured;

(d) Lender will have the right to consent before any termination of this Agreement which does not arise out of an Event of Default;

(e) Lender will receive prior notice of and the right to approve material amendments to this Agreement, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned;

(f) If this Agreement is transferred to Lender pursuant to subsection (b) above, Lender (or its designee) must assume all of Seller's obligations arising under this Agreement on and after the date of such assumption; *provided*, before such assumption, if Buyer advises Lender that Buyer will require that Lender cure (or cause to be cured) any Event of Default existing as of the transfer date in order to avoid the exercise by Buyer (in its sole discretion) of Buyer's right to terminate this Agreement with respect to such Event of Default, then Lender at its option, and in its sole discretion, may elect to either:

(i) Cause such Event of Default to be cured (other than any Events of Default which relate to Seller's bankruptcy or similar insolvency proceedings, to representations and warranties made by Seller or to Seller's failure to perform obligations under other agreements, or which are otherwise personal to Seller), or

(ii) Not assume this Agreement.

(g) If Lender elects to transfer this Agreement, then Lender must cause the transferee to assume all of Seller's obligations arising under this Agreement arising after the date of such assumption as a condition of the sale or transfer. Such sale or transfer may be made only to an entity that meets the definition of Permitted Transferee; and

Subject to Lender's cure of any Events of Defaults under the Agreement in (h) accordance with Section 14.2(f), if (i) this Agreement is rejected in Seller's bankruptcy or otherwise terminated in connection therewith Lender or its designee shall have the right to elect within ninety (90) days after such rejection or termination, to enter into a replacement agreement with Buyer having substantially the same terms as this Agreement for the remaining term thereof, and, promptly after Lender's written request, Buyer must enter into such replacement agreement with Lender or Lender's designee, or (ii) if Lender or its designee, directly or indirectly, takes possession of, or title to, the Facility after any such rejection or termination of this Agreement, promptly after Buyer's written request, Lender must itself or must cause its designee to promptly enter into a new agreement with Buyer having substantially the same terms as this Agreement for the remaining term thereof, provided that in the event a designee of Lender, directly or indirectly, takes possession of, or title to, the Facility (including possession by a receiver or title by foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure), if such designee is not an entity that meets the definition of Permitted Transferee then such designee shall be subject to the prior written approval of Buyer, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld.

ARTICLE 15 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

15.1 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement and the rights and duties of the Parties hereunder shall be governed by and construed, enforced and performed in accordance with the laws of the state of California, without regard to principles of conflicts of Law. To the extent enforceable at such time, each Party waives its respective right to any jury trial with respect to any litigation arising under or in connection with this Agreement. [STC 17] The Parties agree that any suit, action or other legal proceeding by or against any Party (or its Affiliates or designees) with respect to or arising out of this Agreement shall be brought in the federal courts of the United States or the courts of the State of California sitting in the County of Alameda, California.

15.2 **Dispute Resolution**. In the event of any dispute arising under this Agreement, within ten (10) days following the receipt of a written Notice from either Party identifying such dispute, the Parties shall meet, negotiate and attempt, in good faith, to resolve the dispute quickly,

informally and inexpensively. If the Parties are unable to resolve a dispute arising hereunder within the earlier of either thirty (30) days of initiating such discussions, or within forty (40) days after Notice of the dispute, the Parties shall submit the dispute to mediation prior to seeking any and all remediates available to it at Law in or equity. The Parties will cooperate in selecting a qualified neutral mediator selected from a panel of neutrals and in scheduling the time and place of the mediation as soon as reasonably possible, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the request for mediation is made. The Parties agree to participate in the mediation in good faith and to share the costs of the mediation, including the mediator's fee, equally, but such shared costs shall not include each Party's own attorneys' fees and costs, which shall be borne solely by such Party. If the mediation is unsuccessful, then either Party may seek any and all remedies available to it at law or in equity, subject to the limitations set forth in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 16 INDEMNIFICATION

16.1 **Indemnity**. Seller agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Buyer, its directors, officers, agents, attorneys, consultants, employees and representatives from and against all third party claims, demands, losses, liabilities, penalties, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' and expert witness fees collectively arising from negligence, willful misconduct, or breach of the Agreement (collectively, "**Indemnifiable Losses**"). Nothing in this Section shall enlarge or relieve Seller or Buyer of any liability to the other for any breach of this Agreement. Neither Party shall be indemnified for its damages resulting from its sole negligence, intentional acts, or willful misconduct. These indemnity provisions shall not be construed to relieve any insurer of its obligations to pay claims consistent with the provisions of a valid insurance policy.

16.2 <u>Notice of Claim</u>. Subject to the terms of this Agreement and upon obtaining knowledge of an Indemnifiable Loss for which it is entitled to indemnity under this Article 16, Buyer will promptly provide Notice to Seller in writing of any damage, claim, loss, liability or expense which Buyer has determined has given or could give rise to an Indemnifiable Loss under Section 16.1 ("<u>Claim</u>"). The Notice is referred to as a "<u>Notice of Claim</u>". A Notice of Claim will specify, in reasonable detail, the facts known to Buyer regarding the Indemnifiable Loss.

16.3 <u>Failure to Provide Notice</u>. A failure to give timely Notice or to include any specified information in any Notice as provided in this Section 16.3 will not affect the rights or obligations of any Party hereunder except and only to the extent that, as a result of such failure, any Party which was entitled to receive such Notice was deprived of its right to recover any payment under its applicable insurance coverage or was otherwise materially damaged as a direct result of such failure.

16.4 **Defense of Claims**. If, within ten (10) Business Days after giving a Notice of Claim regarding a Claim to Seller pursuant to Section 16.2, Buyer receives Notice from Seller that Seller has elected to assume the defense of such Claim, Seller will not be liable for any legal expenses subsequently incurred by Buyer in connection with the defense thereof; provided, however, that if Seller fails to take reasonable steps necessary to defend diligently such Claim within ten (10) Business Days after receiving Notice from Buyer that Buyer believes Seller has failed to take such steps, or if Seller has not undertaken fully to indemnify Buyer in respect of all Indemnifiable Losses relating to the matter, Buyer may assume its own defense, and Seller will be liable for all

reasonable costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, paid or incurred in connection therewith. Without the prior written consent of Buyer, Seller will not enter into any settlement of any Claim which would lead to liability or create any financial or other obligation on the part of Buyer for which Buyer is not entitled to indemnification hereunder; provided, however, that Seller may accept any settlement without the consent of Buyer if such settlement provides a full release to Buyer and no requirement that Buyer acknowledge fault or culpability. If a firm offer is made to settle a Claim without leading to liability or the creation of a financial or other obligation on the part of Buyer for which Buyer is not entitled to indemnification hereunder and Seller desires to accept and agrees to such offer, Seller will give Notice to Buyer to that effect. If Buyer fails to consent to such firm offer within ten (10) calendar days after its receipt of such Notice, Buyer may continue to contest or defend such Claim and, in such event, the maximum liability of Seller to such Claim will be the amount of such settlement offer, plus reasonable costs and expenses paid or incurred by Buyer up to the date of such Notice.

16.5 <u>Subrogation of Rights</u>. Upon making any indemnity payment, Seller will, to the extent of such indemnity payment, be subrogated to all rights of Buyer against any third party in respect of the Indemnifiable Loss to which the indemnity payment relates; provided that until Buyer recovers full payment of its Indemnifiable Loss, any and all claims of Seller against any such third party on account of said indemnity payment are hereby made expressly subordinated and subjected in right of payment to Buyer's rights against such third party. Without limiting the generality or effect of any other provision hereof, Buyer and Seller shall execute upon request all instruments reasonably necessary to evidence and perfect the above-described subrogation and subordination rights.

16.6 <u>**Rights and Remedies are Cumulative.</u>** Except for express remedies already provided in this Agreement, the rights and remedies of a Party pursuant to this Article 16 are cumulative and in addition to the rights of the Parties otherwise provided in this Agreement.</u>

ARTICLE 17 INSURANCE

17.1 Insurance.

(a) <u>General Liability</u>. Seller shall maintain, or cause to be maintained at its sole expense, (i) commercial general liability insurance, including products and completed operations and personal injury insurance, in a minimum amount of the performance of the

(b) <u>Employer's Liability Insurance</u>. Employers' liability insurance shall not be less than accident. With regard to bodily injury by disease, the policy limit will apply to each employee. (c) <u>Workers Compensation Insurance</u>. Seller, if it has employees, shall also maintain at all times during the Contract Term workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance coverage in accordance with applicable requirements of California Law.

(d) <u>Business Auto Insurance</u>. Seller shall maintain at all times during the Contract Term business auto insurance for bodily injury and property damage with limits of per occurrence. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of Seller's use of all owned (if any), non-owned and hired vehicles, including trailers or semi-trailers in the performance of the Agreement.

(e) <u>Construction All-Risk Insurance</u>. Seller shall maintain or cause to be maintained during the construction of the Facility prior to the Commercial Operation Date, construction all-risk form property insurance covering the Facility during such construction periods, and naming the Seller (and Lender if any) as the loss payee.

(f) <u>Contractor's Pollution Liability</u>. Seller shall maintain or cause to be maintained during the construction of the Facility prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Pollution Legal Liability Insurance in the amount of per occurrence and in the aggregate, naming Seller (and Lender if any) as additional named insured.

(g) <u>Subcontractor Insurance</u>. Seller shall require all of its Major Subcontractors to carry at least the same levels of insurance as Seller, provided Major Subcontractors shall not be required to carry construction all-risk form property insurance. All Major Subcontractors shall include Seller as an additional insured to (i) comprehensive general liability insurance; (ii) workers' compensation insurance and employers' liability coverage; and (iii) business auto insurance for bodily injury and property damage. All Major Subcontractors shall provide a primary endorsement and a waiver of subrogation to Seller for the required coverage pursuant to this Section 1.1(g).

(h) <u>Evidence of Insurance</u>. Within sixty (60) days after execution of the Agreement and upon annual renewal thereafter, Seller shall deliver to Buyer certificates of insurance evidencing such coverage. These certificates shall specify that Buyer shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior Notice by Seller in the event of cancellation or termination of coverage. Such insurance shall be primary coverage without right of contribution from any insurance of Buyer. Any other insurance maintained by Seller is for the exclusive benefit of Seller and shall not in any manner inure to the benefit of Buyer.

ARTICLE 18 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

18.1 **Definition of Confidential Information**. The following constitutes "**Confidential Information**," whether oral or written which is delivered by Seller to Buyer or by Buyer to Seller including: (a) the terms and conditions of, and proposals and negotiations related to, this Agreement, and (b) information that either Seller or Buyer stamps or otherwise identifies as "confidential" or "proprietary" before disclosing it to the other. Confidential Information does not include (i) information that was publicly available at the time of the disclosure, other than as a result of a disclosure in breach of this Agreement; (ii) information that becomes publicly available through no fault of the recipient after the time of the delivery; (iii) information that was rightfully in the possession of the recipient (without confidential or proprietary restriction) at the time of delivery or that becomes available to the recipient from a source not subject to any restriction against disclosing such information to the recipient; and (iv) information that the recipient independently developed without a violation of this Agreement.

Duty to Maintain Confidentiality. Confidential Information will retain its 18.2 character as Confidential Information but may be disclosed by the recipient (the "Receiving **Party**") if and to the extent such disclosure is required (a) to be made by any requirements of Law, (b) pursuant to an order of a court or (c) in order to enforce this Agreement. If the Receiving Party becomes legally compelled (by interrogatories, requests for information or documents, subpoenas, summons, civil investigative demands, or similar processes or otherwise in connection with any litigation or to comply with any Law, order, regulation, ruling, regulatory request, accounting disclosure rule or standard or any exchange, control area or independent system operator rule) to disclose any Confidential Information of the disclosing Party (the "Disclosing Party"), Receiving Party shall provide Disclosing Party with prompt Notice so that Disclosing Party, at its sole expense, may seek an appropriate protective order or other appropriate remedy. If the Disclosing Party takes no such action after receiving the foregoing Notice from the Receiving Party, the Receiving Party is not required to defend against such request and shall be permitted to disclose such Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party, with no liability for any damages that arise Each Party hereto acknowledges and agrees that information and from such disclosure. documentation provided in connection with this Agreement may be subject to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.). The provisions of this Article 18 shall survive and shall continue to be binding upon the Parties for the period of one (1) year following the date of termination of this Agreement.

18.3 **Irreparable Injury: Remedies**. Receiving Party acknowledges that its obligations hereunder are necessary and reasonable in order to protect Disclosing Party and the business of Disclosing Party, and expressly acknowledges that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate Disclosing Party for any breach or threatened breach by Receiving Party of any covenants and agreements set forth herein. Accordingly, Receiving Party acknowledges that any such breach or threatened breach will cause irreparable injury to Disclosing Party and that, in addition to any other remedies that may be available, in law, in equity or otherwise, Disclosing Party will be entitled to obtain injunctive relief against the threatened breach of this Agreement or the continuation of any such breach, without the necessity of proving actual damages.

18.4 **Disclosure to Lenders, Etc.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article 18, Confidential Information may be disclosed by Seller to any actual or potential Lender or any of its Affiliates, and Seller's actual or potential agents, advisors, actual or potential investors, consultants, contractors, or trustees, so long as the Person (other than Person that has an ethical duty to Seller) to whom Confidential Information is disclosed agrees in writing to be bound by confidentiality provisions no less stringent than those in this Article 18 (subject to customary survival terms).

18.5 <u>Press Releases</u>. Neither Party shall issue (or cause its Affiliates to issue) a press release regarding the transactions contemplated by this Agreement unless both Parties have agreed upon the contents of any such public statement. A Party's consent shall not be unreasonably

withheld, conditioned or delayed.

ARTICLE 19 MISCELLANEOUS

19.1 <u>Entire Agreement: Integration: Exhibits</u>. This Agreement, together with the Cover Sheet and Exhibits attached hereto constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between Seller and Buyer with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements relating to the subject matter hereof, which are of no further force or effect. The Exhibits attached hereto are integral parts hereof and are made a part of this Agreement by reference. The headings used herein are for convenience and reference purposes only. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and those of the Cover Sheet or any Exhibit, the provisions of first the Cover Sheet, and then this Agreement shall prevail, and such Exhibit shall be corrected accordingly.

19.2 <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may only be amended, modified or supplemented by an instrument in writing executed by duly authorized representatives of Seller and Buyer; *provided*, that, for the avoidance of doubt, this Agreement may not be amended by electronic mail communications.

19.3 <u>No Waiver</u>. Waiver by a Party of any default by the other Party shall not be construed as a waiver of any other default.

19.4 <u>No Agency, Partnership, Joint Venture or Lease</u>. Seller and the agents and employees of Seller shall, in the performance of this Agreement, act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees or agents of Buyer. Under this Agreement, Seller and Buyer intend to act as energy seller and energy purchaser, respectively, and do not intend to be treated as, and shall not act as, partners in, co-venturers in or lessor/lessee with respect to the Facility or any business related to the Facility. This Agreement shall not impart any rights enforceable by any third party (other than a permitted successor or assignee bound to this Agreement) or, to the extent set forth herein, any Lender or indemnified party pursuant to Article 16.

19.5 <u>Severability</u>. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable or held to be unenforceable, the Parties agree that all other provisions of this Agreement have force and effect and shall not be affected thereby. The Parties shall, however, use their best endeavors to agree on the replacement of the void, illegal or unenforceable provision(s) with legally acceptable clauses which correspond as closely as possible to the sense and purpose of the affected provision and this Agreement as a whole.

19.6 <u>Mobile-Sierra</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, neither Party shall seek, nor shall they support any third party seeking, to prospectively or retroactively revise the rates, terms or conditions of service of this Agreement through application or complaint to FERC pursuant to the provisions of Section 205, 206 or 306 of the Federal Power Act, or any other provisions of the Federal Power Act, absent prior written agreement of the Parties. Further, absent the prior written agreement in writing by both Parties, the standard of review for changes to the rates, terms or conditions of service of this Agreement proposed by a Party shall be the "public interest" standard of review set forth in United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Service

Corp., 350 U.S. 332 (1956) and Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co., 350 U.S. 348 (1956). Changes proposed by a non-Party or FERC acting *sua sponte* shall be subject to the most stringent standard permissible under Law.

19.7 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument and each of which shall be deemed an original.

19.8 <u>Electronic Delivery</u>. This Agreement may be duly executed and delivered by a Party by execution and electronic format (including portable document format (.pdf)) delivery of the signature page of a counterpart to the other Party, and, if delivery is made by electronic format, the executing Party shall promptly deliver, via overnight delivery, a complete original counterpart that it has executed to the other Party, but this Agreement shall be binding on and enforceable against the executing Party whether or not it delivers such original counterpart.

19.9 **<u>Binding Effect</u>**. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

19.10 <u>No Recourse to Members of Buyer</u>. Buyer is organized as a Joint Powers Authority in accordance with the Joint Powers Act pursuant to its Joint Powers Agreement and is a public entity separate from its constituent members. Buyer shall solely be responsible for all debts, obligations and liabilities accruing and arising out of this Agreement. Seller shall have no rights and shall not make any claims, take any actions or assert any remedies against any of Buyer's constituent members, or the employees, directors, officers, consultants or advisors or Buyer or its constituent members, in connection with this Agreement.

19.11 **Forward Contract**. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement constitutes a "forward contract" within the meaning of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, and Buyer and Seller are "forward contract merchants" within the meaning of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Each Party further agrees that, for all purposes of this Agreement, each Party waives and agrees not to assert the applicability of the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 366 in any bankruptcy proceeding wherein such Party is a debtor. In any such proceeding, each Party further waives the right to assert that the other Party is a provider of last resort to the extent such term relates to 11 U.S.C. §366 or another provision of 11 U.S.C. § 101-1532.

19.12 **<u>Further Assurances</u>**. Each of the Parties hereto agree to provide such information, execute and deliver any instruments and documents and to take such other actions as may be necessary or reasonably requested by the other Party which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement and which do not involve the assumptions of obligations other than those provided for in this Agreement, to give full effect to this Agreement and to carry out the intent of this Agreement.

[Signatures on following page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the Execution Date.

ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

AVA COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY, a California joint powers authority

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

By: _____ Name: _____ Title: _____

Approved as to form:

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Date:	

EXHIBIT A

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Site Name: Oakland 1

Site includes all or some of the following APNs:

County: Alameda

CEQA Lead Agency: City of Oakland

Type of Facility: Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic

Operating Characteristics of Facility: Intermittent renewable generation

Guaranteed Capacity: 0.72 MW

Interconnection Point:

Facility Meter: See Exhibit R

PNode:

Participating Transmission Owner:

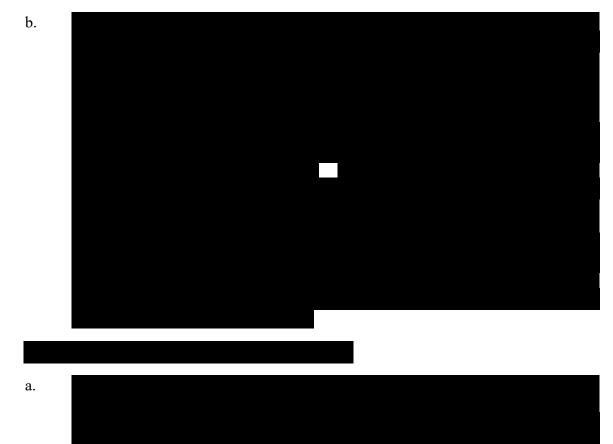
EXHIBIT B

MAJOR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT MILESTONES AND COMMERCIAL OPERATION

1. <u>Construction Start Milestone</u>.

2.

a. "<u>Construction Start</u>" will occur upon Seller's acquisition of all applicable regulatory authorizations, approvals and permits for the construction of the Facility, has engaged all major contractors and ordered all major equipment and supplies as, in each case, can reasonably be considered necessary so that physical construction of the Facility may begin and proceed to completion without foreseeable interruption of material duration, and has executed an engineering, procurement, and construction contract or an equipment supply agreement and a balance of plant contract and issued thereunder a notice to proceed that authorizes the contractor to mobilize to Site and begin physical construction at the Site. The date of Construction Start will be evidenced by and subject to Seller's delivery to Buyer of a certificate substantially in the form attached as <u>Exhibit J</u> hereto, and the date certified therein shall be the "<u>Construction Start Date</u>." Seller shall cause Construction Start to occur no later than the Guaranteed Construction Start Date.



(i) (ii)

3. <u>Commercial Operation of the Facility</u>. "<u>Commercial Operation</u>" means the condition existing when (i) Seller has fulfilled all of the conditions precedent in Section 2.5 of the Agreement and provided Notice to Buyer substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit H</u> (the "<u>COD</u> <u>Certificate</u>") (ii) Seller has notified Buyer in writing that it has provided the required documentation to Buyer and met the conditions for achieving Commercial Operation, and (iii) Buyer has acknowledged to Seller in writing that Buyer agrees that Commercial Operation has been achieved. The "<u>Commercial Operation Date</u>" shall be either (i) the later of (x) the Expected Commercial Operation Date, or (y) the date on which Commercial Operation is achieved.

b.

- a. Seller shall cause Commercial Operation for the Facility to occur by the Expected Commercial Operation Date (as such date may be extended by the Development Cure Period (defined below), the "<u>Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date</u>"). Seller shall notify Buyer that it intends to achieve Commercial Operation at least sixty (60) days before the anticipated Commercial Operation Date.
- b. If Seller achieves Commercial Operation for the Facility to occur by the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date, all Construction Delay Damages paid by Seller shall be refunded to Seller. Seller shall include a request for refund of the Construction Delay Damages with the first invoice to Buyer after Commercial Operation.



- 4.
- 5. <u>Extension of the Guaranteed Dates</u>. The Guaranteed Construction Start Date and the Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date shall both, subject to notice and documentation requirements set forth below, be automatically extended on a day-for-day basis (the "Development Cure Period") due to





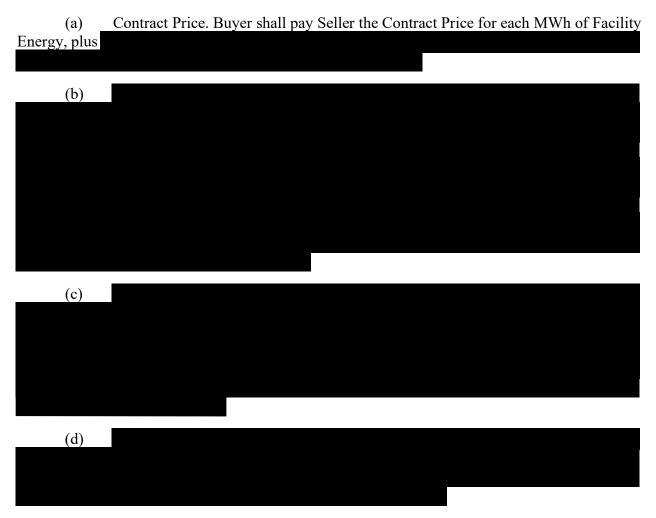
6. <u>Failure to Reach Guaranteed Capacity</u>. If, at Commercial Operation, the Installed Capacity is less than of the Guaranteed Capacity, Seller shall have after the Commercial Operation Date to install additional capacity or Network Upgrades such that the Installed Capacity is equal to (but not greater than) the Guaranteed Capacity, and Seller shall provide to Buyer a new certificate substantially in the form attached as <u>Exhibit I</u> hereto specifying the new Installed Capacity. If Seller fails to construct the Guaranteed Capacity by such date, Seller shall pay "Capacity Damages" to Buyer, in an amount equal to for each MW that the Guaranteed Capacity exceeds the Installed

Capacity, and the Guaranteed Capacity and other applicable portions of the Agreement shall be adjusted accordingly.

EXHIBIT C

COMPENSATION

Buyer shall compensate Seller for the Product in accordance with this Exhibit C.



(e) <u>Test Energy</u>. Test Energy is compensated in accordance with Section 3.6.

(f) <u>Tax Credits</u>. The Parties agree that the neither the Contract Price nor the Test Energy Rate are subject to adjustment or amendment if Seller fails to receive any Tax Credits, or if any Tax Credits expire, are repealed or otherwise cease to apply to Seller or the Facility in whole or in part, or Seller or its investors are unable to benefit from any Tax Credits. Seller shall bear all risks, financial and otherwise, throughout the Contract Term, associated with Seller's or the Facility's eligibility to receive Tax Credits or to qualify for accelerated depreciation for Seller's accounting, reporting or Tax purposes. The obligations of the Parties hereunder, including those obligations set forth herein regarding the purchase and price for and Seller's obligation to deliver Facility Energy and Product, shall be effective regardless of whether the sale of Facility Energy is eligible for, or receives Tax Credits during the Contract Term.

EXHIBIT D

SCHEDULING COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Buyer as Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility. Upon Initial (a) Synchronization of the Facility to the CAISO Grid, Buyer shall be the Scheduling Coordinator or designate a qualified third party to provide Scheduling Coordinator services with the CAISO for the Facility for both the delivery and the receipt of Test Energy and the Product at the Delivery Point. At least thirty (30) days prior to the Initial Synchronization of the Facility to the CAISO Grid, (i) Seller shall take all actions and execute and deliver to Buyer and the CAISO all documents necessary to authorize or designate Buyer (or Buyer's designee) as the Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility effective as of the Initial Synchronization of the Facility to the CAISO Grid, and (ii) Buyer shall, and shall cause its designee to, take all actions and execute and deliver to Seller and the CAISO all documents necessary to authorize or designate Buyer or its designee as the Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility effective as of the Initial Synchronization of the Facility to the CAISO Grid. On and after Initial Synchronization of the Facility to the CAISO Grid, Seller shall not authorize or designate any other party to act as the Facility's Scheduling Coordinator, nor shall Seller perform for its own benefit the duties of Scheduling Coordinator, and Seller shall not revoke Buyer's authorization to act as the Facility's Scheduling Coordinator unless agreed to by Buyer. Buyer (as the Facility's SC) shall submit Schedules to the CAISO in accordance with this Agreement and the applicable CAISO Tariff, protocols and Scheduling practices for Product on a day-ahead, hour-ahead, fifteen-minute market or real time basis, as determined by Buyer. Buyer shall cause its Scheduling Coordinator to reasonably cooperate with Seller during the testing and commissioning of the Facility prior to the Commercial Operation Date.

(b) <u>Notices</u>. Buyer (as the Facility's SC) shall provide Seller with access to a web-based system through which Seller shall submit to Buyer and the CAISO all notices and updates required under the CAISO Tariff regarding the Facility's status, including, but not limited to, all outage requests, forced outages, forced outage reports, clearance requests, or must offer waiver forms. Seller will cooperate with Buyer to provide such notices and updates. If the web-based system is not available, Seller shall promptly submit such information to Buyer and the CAISO (in order of preference) telephonically, by electronic mail, transmission to the personnel designated to receive such information.

(c) <u>CAISO Costs and Revenues</u>. Except as otherwise set forth below, Buyer (as Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility) shall be responsible for CAISO costs (including penalties, Imbalance Energy costs, and other charges) and shall be entitled to all CAISO revenues (including credits, Imbalance Energy revenues, and other payments), including revenues associated with CAISO dispatches, bid cost recovery, Inter-SC Trade credits, or other credits in respect of the Product Scheduled or delivered from the Facility. In addition, if during the Delivery Term, the CAISO implements or has implemented any sanction or penalty related to scheduling, outage reporting, or generator operation, and any such sanctions or penalties are imposed upon the Facility or to Buyer as Scheduling Coordinator due to failure by Seller to abide by the CAISO Tariff or any CAISO directive, or to perform in accordance with this Agreement, including with respect to the outage notification requirements set forth in this Agreement, the cost of the sanctions or penalties shall be Seller's responsibility.

(d) <u>CAISO Settlements</u>. Buyer (as the Facility's SC) shall be responsible for

all settlement functions with the CAISO related to the Facility. Buyer shall render a separate invoice to Seller for any CAISO payments, charges or penalties ("CAISO Charges Invoice") for which Seller is responsible under this Agreement. CAISO Charges Invoices shall be rendered after settlement information becomes available from the CAISO that identifies any CAISO charges. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Seller acknowledges that the CAISO will issue additional invoices reflecting CAISO adjustments to such CAISO charges. Buyer will review, validate, and if requested by Seller under paragraph (e) below, dispute any charges that are the responsibility of Seller in a timely manner and consistent with Buyer's existing settlement processes for charges that are Buyer's responsibilities. Subject to Seller's right to dispute and to have Buyer pursue the dispute of any such invoices, Seller shall pay the amount of CAISO Charges Invoices within ten (10) Business Days of Seller's receipt of the CAISO Charges Invoice. If Seller fails to pay such CAISO Charges Invoice within that period, Buyer may net or offset any amounts owing to it for these CAISO Charges Invoices against any future amounts it may owe to Seller under this Agreement. The obligations under this Section with respect to payment of CAISO Charges Invoices shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

(e) <u>Dispute Costs</u>. Buyer (as the Facility's SC) may be required by Seller to dispute CAISO settlements in respect of the Facility. Seller agrees to pay Buyer's costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) associated with its involvement with such CAISO disputes to the extent they relate to CAISO charges payable by Seller with respect to the Facility that Seller has directed Buyer to dispute.

(f) <u>Terminating Buyer's Designation as Scheduling Coordinator</u>. At least thirty (30) days prior to expiration of this Agreement or as soon as reasonably practicable upon an earlier termination of this Agreement, the Parties will take all actions necessary to terminate the designation of Buyer as Scheduling Coordinator for the Facility as of 11:59 p.m. on such expiration date.

(g) <u>Master Data File and Resource Data Template</u>. Seller shall provide the data to Buyer (or the Scheduling Coordinator) that is required for the CAISO's Master Data File and Resource Data Template (or successor data systems) for the Facility consistent with this Agreement. Buyer (or its Scheduling Coordinator) shall provide such data to the CAISO. Neither Party shall change such data without the other Party's prior written consent. At least once per Contract Year, Seller shall review and confirm that the data provided for the CAISO's Master Data File and Resource Data Template (or successor data systems) for this Facility remains consistent with the actual operating characteristics of the Facility and provide any update regarding such data to Buyer (or the Scheduling Coordinator), and the Scheduling Coordinator shall update the CAISO as appropriate.

(h) <u>NERC Reliability Standards</u>. Buyer (as Scheduling Coordinator) shall cooperate reasonably with Seller to the extent necessary to enable Seller to comply, and for Seller to demonstrate Seller's compliance with, NERC reliability standards. This cooperation shall include the provision of information in Buyer's possession that Buyer (as Scheduling Coordinator) has provided to the CAISO related to the Facility or actions taken by Buyer (as Scheduling Coordinator) related to Seller's compliance with NERC reliability standards.

EXHIBIT E

PROGRESS REPORTING FORM

- 1. Each Progress Report must include the following items:
- **2.** Executive Summary.
- **3.** Facility description.
- 4. Site plan of the Facility.
- 5. Description of any material planned changes to the Facility or the Site.
- 6. Gantt chart schedule showing progress on achieving each of the Milestones.
- 7. Summary of activities during the previous calendar quarter or month, as applicable, including any OSHA labor hour reports.
- 8. Forecast of activities scheduled for the current calendar quarter.
- **9.** Written description about the progress relative to Seller's Milestones, including whether Seller has met or is on target to meet the Milestones.
- **10.** List of issues that are likely to potentially affect Seller's Milestones.
- 11. A status report of start-up activities including a forecast of activities ongoing and after start-up, a report on Facility performance including performance projections for the next twelve (12) months.
- 12. Prevailing wage reports as required by Law.
- **13.** Progress and schedule of all major agreements, contracts, permits, approvals, technical studies, financing agreements and major equipment purchase orders showing the start dates, completion dates, and completion percentages.
- 14. Pictures, in sufficient quantity and of appropriate detail, in order to document construction and startup progress of the Facility, the interconnection into the Transmission System and all other interconnection utility services.
- **15.** Supplier Diversity Reporting (if applicable under <u>Exhibit S</u>). Format to be provided by Buyer.
- 16. Any other documentation reasonably requested by Buyer.

EXHIBIT F-1

FORM OF AVERAGE EXPECTED ENERGY REPORT

[Average Expected Energy, MWh Per Hour]

	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	21:00	22:00	23:00	24:00
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EXHIBIT F-2

FORM OF MONTHLY AVAILABLE GENERATING CAPACITY REPORT

	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	21:00	22:00	23:00	24:00
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EXHIBIT G

GUARANTEED ENERGY PRODUCTION DAMAGES CALCULATION

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EXHIBIT H

FORM OF COMMERCIAL OPERATION DATE CERTIFICATE

This certification ("<u>Certification</u>") of Commercial Operation is delivered by [*Licensed Professional Engineer*] ("<u>Engineer</u>") to Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority ("<u>Buyer</u>") in accordance with the terms of that certain Renewable Power Purchase Agreement dated [Date] ("<u>Agreement</u>") by and between [*Name of Seller*], and Buyer. All capitalized terms used in this Certification but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Agreement.

As of [Date], Engineer hereby certifies and represents to Buyer the following:

- 1. The Facility is fully operational, reliable and interconnected, fully integrated and synchronized with the Transmission System.
- 2. Seller has installed equipment for the Facility with a nameplate capacity of no less than ninety-five percent (95%) of the Guaranteed Capacity.
- 3. Seller has commissioned all equipment in accordance with its respective manufacturer's specifications.
- 4. Seller has demonstrated functionality of the Facility's communication systems and automatic generation control (AGC) interface to operate the Facility as necessary to respond and follow instructions, including an electronic signal conveying real time and intra-day instructions, directed by the Buyer in accordance with the Agreement and/or the CAISO.
- 5. The Facility's testing included a performance test demonstrating peak electrical output of no less than ninety-five percent (95%) of the Guaranteed Capacity for the Facility at the Delivery Point, as adjusted for ambient conditions on the date of the Facility testing.
- 6. Authorization to parallel the Facility was obtained from the Participating Transmission Owner.
- 7. The Transmission Provider has provided documentation supporting full unrestricted release for Commercial Operation.
- 8. The CAISO has provided notification supporting Commercial Operation, in accordance with the CAISO Tariff.
- 9. Seller shall have caused the Facility to be included in the Full Network Model and has the ability to offer Bids into the CAISO Day-Ahead Market and Real-Time Market in respect of the Facility.

EXECUTED by [Licensed Professional Engineer]

this ______ day of ______, 20__.

[LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER]

By: _____

Printed Name:

Title:

EXHIBIT I

FORM OF INSTALLED CAPACITY CERTIFICATE

This certification ("<u>Certification</u>") of Installed Capacity is delivered by [*Licensed Professional Engineer*] ("<u>Engineer</u>") to Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority ("<u>Buyer</u>") in accordance with the terms of that certain Renewable Power Purchase Agreement dated [Date] ("<u>Agreement</u>") by and between [*Name of Seller*] and Buyer. All capitalized terms used in this Certification but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Agreement.

EXECUTED by [Licensed Professional Engineer]

this _____ day of _____, 20__.

[LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER]

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title:

EXHIBIT J

FORM OF CONSTRUCTION START DATE CERTIFICATE

This certification of Construction Start Date ("<u>Certification</u>") is delivered by [*Prologis Energy LLC*] ("<u>Seller</u>") to Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority ("<u>Buyer</u>") in accordance with the terms of that certain Renewable Power Purchase Agreement dated [Date] ("<u>Agreement</u>") by and between Seller and Buyer. All capitalized terms used in this Certification but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Agreement.

Seller hereby certifies and represents to Buyer the following:

- 1. Construction Start (as defined in <u>Exhibit B</u> of the Agreement) has occurred, and a copy of the notice to proceed that Seller issued to its contractor as part of Construction Start is attached hereto;
- 2. the Construction Start Date occurred on [Date]; and
- 3. the precise Site on which the Facility is located is, which must be within the boundaries of the previously identified Site: ______.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certification on behalf of Seller as this ______ day of ______, 20_.

[_____SELLER ENTITY____]

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT K

FORM OF LETTER OF CREDIT

[Issuing Bank Letterhead and Address]

IRREVOCABLE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT NO. [XXXXXX]

Date:	
Bank Ref.:	
Amount: US\$	
Expiry Date:	

Beneficiary:

Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By the order of ______ ("Applicant"), we, [insert bank name and address] ("Issuer") hereby issue our Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. [XXXXXX] (the "Letter of Credit") in favor of Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority ("Beneficiary"), for an amount not to exceed the aggregate sum of U.S. \$[XXXXX] (United States Dollars [XXXXX] and 00/100), pursuant to that certain Renewable Power Purchase Agreement dated as of ______ and as amended (the "Agreement") between Applicant and Beneficiary. This Letter of Credit shall become effective immediately and shall expire on [Insert Date] which is one year after the issue date of this Letter of Credit, or any expiration date extended in accordance with the terms hereof (the "Expiration Date").

Funds under this Letter of Credit are available to Beneficiary by complying presentation on or before the Expiration Date of a dated statement purportedly signed by your duly authorized representative, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, containing one of the two alternative paragraphs set forth in paragraph 2 therein, referencing our Letter of Credit No. [XXXXXX] ("Drawing Certificate").

The Drawing Certificate may be presented by (a) physical delivery, (b) as a PDF attachment to an email to [*bank email address*] or (c) facsimile to [*bank fax number* [XXX-XXX-XXX]] confirmed by [email to [*bank email address*]]. Transmittal by facsimile or email shall be deemed delivered when received.

The original of this Letter of Credit (and all amendments, if any) is not required to be presented in connection with any presentment of a Drawing Certificate by Beneficiary hereunder in order to receive payment.

We hereby agree with the Beneficiary that all documents presented under and in compliance with

the terms of this Letter of Credit, that such Drawing Certificate will be duly honored upon presentation to the Issuer on or before the Expiration Date. All payments made under this Letter of Credit shall be made with Issuer's own immediately available funds by means of wire transfer in immediately available United States dollars to Beneficiary's account as indicated by Beneficiary in its Drawing Certificate or in a communication accompanying its Drawing Certificate.

Partial/multiple draws are permitted under this Letter of Credit, and this Letter of Credit shall remain in full force and effect with respect to any continuing balance.

It is a condition of this Letter of Credit that the Expiration Date shall be deemed automatically extended without an amendment for a one year period beginning on the present Expiration Date hereof and upon each anniversary for such date, unless at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to any such Expiration Date we have sent to you written notice by overnight courier service that we elect not to extend this Letter of Credit, in which case it will expire on the Expiration Date. No presentation made under this Letter of Credit after such Expiration Date will be honored.

Notwithstanding any reference in this Letter of Credit to any other documents, instruments or agreements, this Letter of Credit contains the entire agreement between Beneficiary and Issuer relating to the obligations of Issuer hereunder.

This Letter of Credit is issued subject to the rules of the 'International Standby Practices 1998', International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 590 ("ISP98") and, as to matters not addressed by ISP98, shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of state of California.

Please address all correspondence regarding this Letter of Credit to the attention of the Letter of Credit Department at [*insert bank address information*], referring specifically to Issuer's Letter of Credit No. [XXXXXX]. For telephone assistance, please contact Issuer's Standby Letter of Credit Department at [XXX-XXXX] and have this Letter of Credit available.

All notices to Beneficiary shall be in writing and are required to be sent by certified letter, overnight courier, or delivered in person to: Ava Community Energy Authority, [Address]. Only notices to Beneficiary meeting the requirements of this paragraph shall be considered valid. Any notice to Beneficiary which is not in accordance with this paragraph shall be void and of no force or effect.

[Bank Name]

[Insert officer name] [Insert officer title] Exhibit A: (DRAW REQUEST SHOULD BE ON BENEFICIARY'S LETTERHEAD)

Drawing Certificate

[Insert Bank Name and Address]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned, a duly authorized representative of Ava Community Energy Authority, a California joint powers authority, as beneficiary (the "Beneficiary") of the Irrevocable Letter of Credit No. [XXXXXX] (the "Letter of Credit") issued by [insert bank name] (the "Bank") by order of ______ (the "Applicant"), hereby certifies to the Bank as follows:

- 1. Applicant and Beneficiary are party to that certain Renewable Power Purchase Agreement dated as of ______, 20__ (the "Agreement").
- Beneficiary is making a drawing under this Letter of Credit in the amount of U.S.
 \$______because the Applicant's Event of Default (as such term is defined in the Agreement) has occurred or other occasion provided for in the Agreement where Beneficiary is authorized to draw on the letter of credit has occurred.

OR

Beneficiary is making a drawing under this Letter of Credit in the amount of U.S. §______, which equals the full available amount under the Letter of Credit, because Applicant is required to maintain the Letter of Credit in force and effect beyond the expiration date of the Letter of Credit but has failed to provide Beneficiary with a replacement Letter of Credit or other acceptable instrument within thirty (30) days prior to such expiration date.

3. The undersigned is a duly authorized representative of Ava Community Energy Authority and is authorized to execute and deliver this Drawing Certificate on behalf of Beneficiary.

You are hereby directed to make payment of the requested amount to[Ava Community Energy Authority by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the following account: [Specify account information]

Ava Community Energy Authority

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Date_____

EXHIBIT L

EXHIBIT M

EXHIBIT N

NOTICES

ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC ("Seller")	Ava Community Energy Authority ("Buyer")
All Notices:	All Notices:
	Street: 1999 Harrison Street, Suite 2300
	Oakland, CA 94612
	Attn: Power Resources
	Phone: (510) 809-7458
	Email: powernotices@avaenergy.org;
	legal@avaeenrgy.org
Reference Numbers:	Reference Numbers:
	Duns: 08-110-3072
	Federal Tax ID Number: 82-2262960
Invoices:	Invoices:
	Attn: Jason Bartlett, Finance Manager
	Phone: 510-650-7584
	Email: ap@avaenergy.org;
	powersettlements@avaenergy.org; settlements@ncpa.com
Scheduling:	Scheduling:
Scheduning.	Attn: NCPA c/o Ken Goeke, Manager, Portfolio
	and Pool Administration
	Phone: (916) 781-4290
	Email: powerscheduling@avaenergy.org
Confirmations:	Confirmations:
	Attn: Power Resources
	Phone: (510) 361-6247
	Email: powernotices@avaenergy.org;
	powersettlements@avaenergy.org;
	confirmations@ncpa.com
Payments:	Payments:
	Attn: Jason Bartlett, Finance Manager
	Phone: 510-650-7584
	Email: ap@avaenergy.org
Wire Transfer:	Wire Transfer:
	BNK: River City Bank
	2485 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 100,
	Sacramento, CA 95833
	ABA: 121133416
	ACCT: 5648137551

ESCA-PLD-OAKLAND2, LLC ("Seller")	Ava Community Energy Authority ("Buyer")
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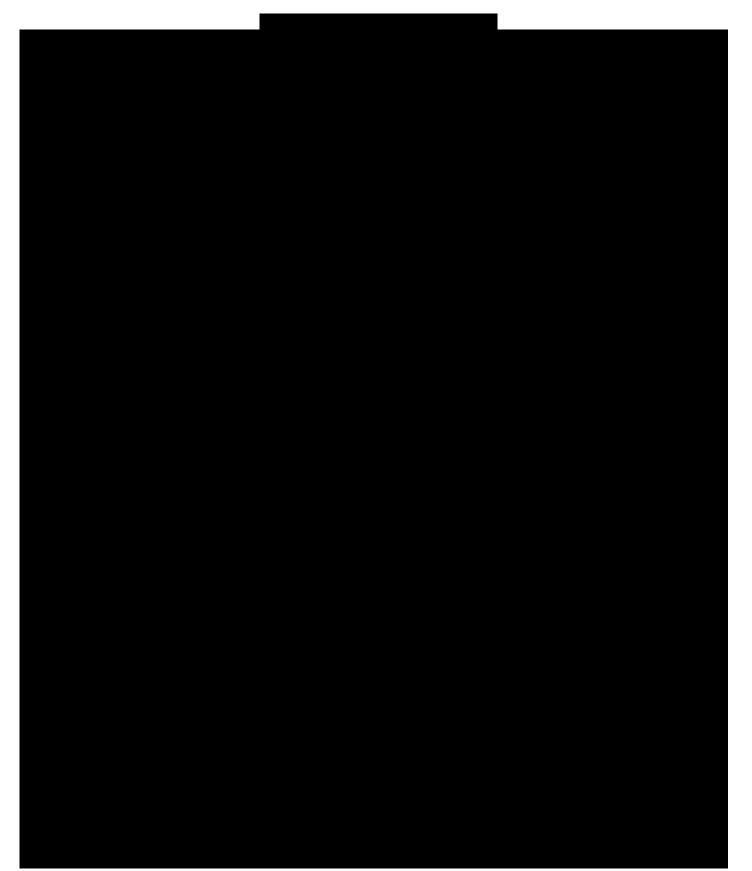
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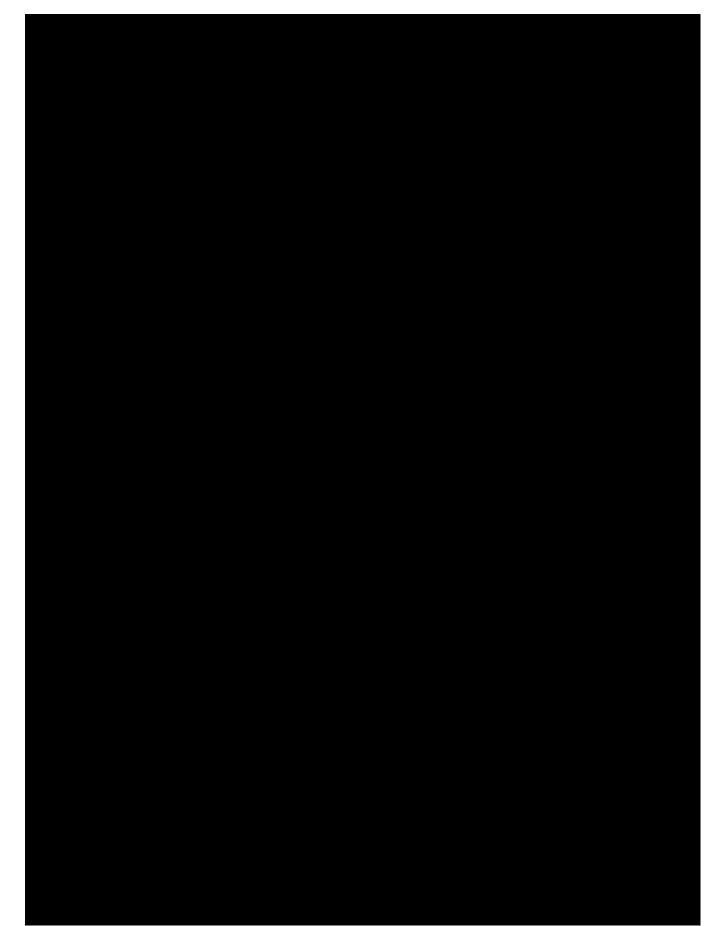


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The Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff (DAC-GT) & Community Solar Green Tariff (CSGT) Project Approvals



February 21, 2024

Agenda

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Background

- In 2018, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) created the DAC-GT and CSGT programs which promote the development of renewable generation in disadvantaged communities (DACs)
- Both programs offer customers living in a DAC access to 100% renewable energy supply and a 20% discount on their **total** electricity bill
- In December 2022, Ava issued its DAC-GT and CSGT Request for Offers (RFO) to procure eligible renewable energy projects as part of the CPUC programs

Board Action Requested: Ava is seeking Board approval on Resolutions authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute five Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) for two solar projects in Tracy and three solar projects in Oakland, San Leandro, and Hayward, with Prologis LLC



CPUC Approval and Cost Recovery

- The CPUC makes Ava whole on program costs:
 - Above-market procurement costs
 - 20% discount on customer's electric bill
 - Program administration and marketing costs
- Each year in February, Ava submits a request for cost recovery through the CPUC's annual budget letter process
- Ava must implement the programs consistent with CPUC guidelines and submit a formal request with executed PPAs to the CPUC for approval



Programs Overview

	DAC-GT (aka Ava Solar Discount Program)	CSGT (aka Ava Community Solar Program)
Program Offering	• 100% Renewable Energy to eligible customers at a 20% discount	 100% Renewable Energy to eligible customers at a 20% discount
Program Size	5.72 MW~2,900 customers	 1.56 MW ~800 customers
Program Status	 Launched in September 2021 with an interim solar resource Eligible customers were auto enrolled Solicitation for new resource completed 	 In development Solicitation for new resource completed Enrollment will occur upon project completion
Customer and Project Requirements	 Residential customers who: Are enrolled in CARE/FERA; and Live in a DAC 	 50% or more of participants must be CARE/ FERA enrolled residential customers and subscribed before non- CARE/FERA customers can participate; Customers located within 5 miles of site and live in a DAC Community Sponsor

RFO Overview

- Objective: Secure up to 5.72 MW of solar resources for DAC-GT and 1.56 MW for CSGT paired with energy storage
- Ava issued a 2022 DAC-GT and CSGT RFO in December 2022
- Ava received offers from two developers in March 2023
- Only one developer's offer included CSGT projects which streamlined CSGT project selection
- The Evaluation Rubic included:
 - Threshold conditions: eligible DAC location, eligible resource, project size, commercial operation date, workforce development plan, PPA acceptance, interconnection status, site control, and community sponsorship (CSGT only)
 - Scoring for three topics: Project Economics, Workforce Development Plan, and Development Status and Experience
- The Ava selection committee evaluated the above criteria and reviewed combinations of projects that optimized program goals including volume, pricing, and geographic targets
- The committee selected a portfolio of 5 projects with Prologis for the entire allotted program amounts
 - Ava considered pursuing solar and storage but was unable to come to commercially acceptable terms with Prologis for paired storage resources



Prologis Company Overview

- Prologis Energy LLC, a subsidiary of Prologis Inc., is a developer, owner and long-term operator of clean energy facilities
- Prologis Inc. is an operator of logistics realestate with over 1 billion square feet of warehouse space under management across 19 countries
- Prologis is actively developing solar and battery energy storage systems (BESS) at its properties for revenue growth with both front-of-the-meter and behind-the-meter installations

- Prologis has been developing solar since 2007. They have developed over 400 MW of generating capacity across 12 countries and recently expanded their offering to front of the meter solar and storage projects serving community choice aggregators and investorowned utilities
- Prologis has experience working with other CCAs on Solar Discount programs; they have previously been awarded rooftop solar PV as a part of other CCAs' DAC-GT programs

Projects Proposed for Execution

Developer	Program	Project	Location	Nameplate Solar*	COD	Contract Term
Prologis	DAC-GT	Tracy 12	Tracy	3 MW	6/2026	20 years
Prologis	DAC-GT	Tracy 2 West	Tracy	2 MW	6/2026	20 years
Prologis	DAC-GT	Oakland 1	Oakland	0.72 MW	12/2025	20 years
Prologis	CSGT	San Leandro 11	San Leandro	1 MW	4/2026	20 years
Prologis	CSGT	Hayward Commerce	Hayward	0.56 MW	4/2026	20 years



*Ava fills its entire DAC-GT allocation of 5.72 MW and CSGT allocation of 1.56 MW through these projects and is able to service the maximum number of customers with a 20% discount

Action Requested

Approve the five Prologis PPAs for DAC-GT and CSGT solar projects and authorize the CEO to execute the agreements

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Thank you!





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