

**Tax Abatement Agreement  
between  
Knox County, Texas, and Rolling Plains Solar, LLC**

*State of Texas*

*County of Knox*

This Tax Abatement Agreement (this “**Agreement**”) is made and entered into by and between Knox County, Texas (the “**County**”), acting through its duly elected officers, and Rolling Plains Solar, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, to be located on a portion of the tract of land within the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone, more specifically described in Attachment A to this Agreement. This Agreement becomes effective upon final signature by both parties (the “**Effective Date**”) and remains in effect until fulfillment of the obligations described in Section IV herein (the “**Term**”), unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

**Recitals**

WHEREAS, the County indicated its election to be eligible to participate in tax abatements and established the Knox County Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria (the “**Guidelines**”) by resolution most recently updated on or about November 18, 2024;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas (the “**County Commissioners Court**”) desires to promote economic development within its jurisdiction as authorized by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (Texas Tax Code § 312.001, *et seq.*), and the Guidelines;

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2025, a hearing before the County Commissioners Court was held, such date being at least seven (7) days after the date of publication of the notice of such public hearing in the local newspaper of general circulation in the County and the delivery of written notice to the respective presiding officers of each taxing entity that includes within its boundaries real property that is to be included in the Reinvestment Zone (as defined below);

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners Court, after conducting a hearing, having heard evidence and testimony, and prior to considering this Agreement, found, based on the evidence and testimony presented to it, the Reinvestment Zone met the criteria set forth in Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code for the creation of a reinvestment zone as set forth in the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, and the Guidelines, in that it was reasonably likely as a result of the designation to contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or to attract investment in the zone that would be a benefit to the property and contribute to the economic development of the County, and that the entire tract of land was located entirely within an unincorporated area of the County;

WHEREAS, entering into this Agreement will serve the best interests of the County and its citizens and comply with the Guidelines by:

- A. enhancing and diversifying the economic and industrial bases of the County;

- B. contributing to the retention and expansion of primary employment; and
- C. attracting major investment that will be of benefit to and contribute to the economic development of the County;

WHEREAS, the contemplated use of the Site (as defined below) and the contemplated Improvements (as defined below) as set forth in this Agreement, and the other terms of this Agreement will encourage development of the Reinvestment Zone, are in accordance with the purposes for its creation, and are in compliance with the Guidelines and all applicable laws;

WHEREAS, Owner's (as defined below) use of the Site is expected to favorably influence the economic and employment base of the County;

WHEREAS, the County finds that the Improvements sought are feasible and practical and will be of benefit to the real property located in the Reinvestment Zone, to the Site, and to the County after expiration of this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the County finds that the terms of this Agreement and the proposed Improvements and Eligible Property subject to this Agreement meet the Guidelines;

WHEREAS, a copy of this Agreement has been furnished, in the manner prescribed by law, to the presiding officers of the governing bodies of each of the taxing units in which the property subject to this Agreement is located; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement was approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the County Commissioners Court in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as amended, preceded by at least thirty (30) days by publication of notice of such public hearing in compliance with Section 312.207 of the Texas Tax Code; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these Recitals, premises, the promises, mutual covenants, and agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the County and Owner agree as follows:

## **I. Authorization**

This Agreement is authorized and governed by Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, as amended, and by the Guidelines.

## **II. Definitions**

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

- A. **"Abatement"** means the full or partial exemption from ad valorem taxes on property in a Reinvestment Zone as provided herein and in no event can the duration of the Abatement period exceed ten (10) years.
- B. **"Abatement Period"** means the ten-year period designated in Section IV(B).

- C. **“Base Year”** means the Calendar Year in which the Effective Date occurs.
- D. **“Calendar Year”** means each year beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31.
- E. **“Certificate”** means a letter, provided by Owner to the County, certifying that the Project has achieved Commercial Operations, outlining the Improvements, and stipulating the overall Nameplate Capacity of the Project. Upon receipt of the Certificate, the County may inspect the property in accordance with this Agreement to determine that the Improvements are in place as certified. If the Certificate indicates that certain ancillary facilities not required for Commercial Operations are still under construction on the date that the Certificate is delivered, Owner will deliver an amended Certificate to the County within thirty (30) days after all Project construction is complete.
- F. **“Certified Appraised Value”** means the appraised value, for property tax purposes, of the property within the Reinvestment Zone as certified by the Knox County Appraisal District (the “Appraisal District”) for each taxable year.
- G. **“COD”** means the date that the Project commences Commercial Operations.
- H. **“Commercial Operations”** means that the Project has become commercially operational and placed into service for the purpose of generating electricity for sale in one or more commercial markets and for the purpose of storing electricity generated, in whole or in part, on or near the Site.
- I. **“County Property Taxes”** means all categories of ad valorem taxes, whether classified as M&O, I&S, or road taxes, imposed on the Improvements by or for the benefit of the County at all rates in effect throughout the Abatement Period.
- J. **“Eligible Property”** means property eligible for Abatement under the Guidelines, including: new, expanded or modernized buildings and structures; fixed machinery and equipment; Site improvements; related fixed improvements; other tangible items necessary to the operation and administration of the Project or facility; and all other real and tangible personal property permitted by Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and the Guidelines. Taxes on Real Property may be abated only to the extent the property’s value for a given year exceeds its value for the year in which this Agreement is executed. Tangible personal property located on the Real Property at any time before the period covered by this Agreement is not eligible for Abatement. Tangible personal property eligible for Abatement shall not include inventory or supplies.
- K. **“Force Majeure”** includes events not reasonably within the control of the party whose performance is sought to be excused thereby, including (but not limited to) the following causes and events (to the extent such causes and events are not reasonably within the control of the party claiming suspension): acts of God and the public enemy; strikes; lockouts or other industrial disturbances; inability to obtain material or equipment or labor due to an event that meets the definition of Force Majeure;

wars; blockades; insurrections; riots; epidemics, pandemics, or other events, matters, or concerns of the general public health; landslides; lightning; earthquakes; fires; storms; floods; high water washouts; inclement weather; arrests and restraint of rulers and people; interruptions by government or court orders; present or future orders of any regulatory body; civil disturbances; explosions; depository bank failure; or any other event that is beyond the reasonable control of the party claiming Force Majeure.

- L. **“Improvements”** mean Eligible Property meeting the definition for “improvements” or “tangible personal property” provided by Chapter 1 of the Texas Tax Code and includes, without limitation, any building, structure, or fixture erected on or affixed to the land. Improvements specifically include the Owner’s fixed machinery, equipment and process units that may consist of solar panels, substations and switching stations, underground and overhead electrical distribution and transmission facilities, transformers, appurtenant electric equipment, communication cable, and data collection facilities to be installed, added, upgraded, or used on the Property by or for Owner and located in the County, irrespective of whether such assets are improvements or tangible personal property as defined by Chapter 1 of the Texas Tax Code.
- M. **“Lender”** means any entity or person providing, directly or indirectly, including an assignee of an initial Lender, with respect to the Improvements or Project any of (a) senior or subordinated construction, interim or long-term debt financing or refinancing, whether that financing or refinancing takes the form of private debt, public debt, or any other form of debt (including debt financing or refinancing), (b) a leasing transaction, including a sale leaseback, inverted lease, or leveraged leasing structure, (c) tax equity financing, (d) any interest rate protection agreements to hedge any of the foregoing obligations, and/or (e) any energy hedge provider. There may be more than one Lender. Owner, at its election, may send written notice to the County with the name and notice information for any Lender.
- N. **“Nameplate Capacity”** means the generating capacity of the Project (in megawatts ac) as designated by the manufacturer(s) of the solar panels to be constructed as Improvements hereunder and where appropriate may refer to the total or overall generating capacity.
- O. **“Owner”** means Rolling Plains Solar, LLC, the entity that owns or leases the Site and owns the Improvements for which Abatement is being granted, and any permitted assignee or successor in interest of Rolling Plains Solar, LLC. The term “Rolling Plains Solar, LLC” means and includes Owner. An “Affiliate” of an Owner means any entity that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with such Owner. For purposes of this definition, “control” of an entity means (i) the ownership, directly or indirectly, of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting rights in a company or other legal entity or (ii) the right to direct the management or operation of such entity whether by ownership (directly or indirectly) of securities, by contract or otherwise.
- P. **“Payments In Lieu of Taxes”** or **“PILOTs”** means the payments to be made by Owner to the County described in Section IV(D) of this Agreement.

- Q. **“Project”** means the construction and operation of the Improvements on the Site as set forth in this Agreement.
- R. **“Real Property”** means Eligible Property meeting the description for real property provided by Chapter 1 of the Texas Tax Code.
- S. **“Reinvestment Zone”** means the reinvestment zone, as that term is defined in Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, created by the County by the resolution described in the Recitals, which was duly passed by the County Commissioners Court, and referred to as the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone, more specifically described in Attachment A to this Agreement. The fact that the designation of the Reinvestment Zone may expire before this Agreement shall not affect the terms and condition of this Agreement.
- T. **“Site”** means the portion of the Reinvestment Zone on which Owner makes the Improvements for which the Abatement is granted hereunder and which is shown on Attachment A. Upon completion of construction of the Improvements, the parties agree to amend Attachment A to include the as-built Improvements within the Site to the extent such Improvements are not included therein.

### **III. Improvements in Reinvestment Zone**

Owner agrees that—in order to qualify for the Abatement set forth in Section IV of this Agreement—Owner shall make the following Improvements:

- A. Owner is proposing to construct Improvements on the Site consisting of a solar power electric generation facility with a Nameplate Capacity of approximately ninety-five (95) megawatts (AC) located in the Reinvestment Zone. Owner agrees that its solar power electric generation facility on the Site in the Reinvestment Zone will have a minimum Nameplate Capacity of no less than ninety (90) megawatts (AC) (collectively the **“Minimum Guaranteed Capacity”**). If the Nameplate Capacity of Owner’s solar power electric generation facility on the Site in the Reinvestment Zone is less than the Minimum Guaranteed Capacity, such circumstance shall not be a default under this Agreement so long as Owner pays the Annual PILOT Floor Amount specified in Section IV(D) of this Agreement. It is anticipated that, if built to its maximum capacity, the solar power electric generation facility will require a capital investment of approximately one hundred ten million two hundred thousand dollars (\$110,200,000.00). The Certified Appraised Value will depend upon annual appraisals by the Appraisal District and may be more than or less than the amount stated herein.
- B. Improvements also shall include any other property on the Site meeting the definition of “Eligible Property” that is used to produce solar electrical power and perform other functions related to the production, distribution and transmission of electric power. The County agrees, without limitation, that the solar panels, transmission lines, substations, and other related materials and equipment affixed to the land will constitute Improvements under this Agreement.

C. Owner agrees that the Project shall achieve Commercial Operations on or before December 31, 2028; provided, Owner shall have the unilateral right on written notice to the County to receive up to two one-year extensions of the required date to achieve Commercial Operations. On Owner's written notice delivered to the County during Calendar Year 2028, the required date to achieve Commercial Operations shall be extended to December 31, 2029. If Owner elects a second one-year extension, then on Owner's written request delivered to the County during Calendar Year 2028 accompanied by the payment of a one-time fee of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) to the County, the required date to achieve Commercial Operations shall be further extended to December 31, 2030. If Owner fails to achieve Commercial Operations before the deadline in this paragraph (as extended if Owner elects to extend such deadline), the County's sole remedy shall be the remedy described in the first sentence of Section VII(C) below.

#### **IV. Term and Portion of Tax Abatement; Taxability of Property**

A. The County and Owner specifically agree and acknowledge that the property on the Site within the Reinvestment Zone shall be taxable in the following ways during the Term of this Agreement:

1. Property not eligible for Abatement, if any, shall be fully taxable at all times;
2. The Certified Appraised Value of property existing on the Site prior to execution of this Agreement shall not be subject to this Agreement and shall be fully taxable at all times;
3. Prior to commencement of the Abatement Period designated in Section IV(B), 100% of County Property Taxes levied on the Certified Appraised Value of real and personal property of Owner located on the Site will be owed and payable by Owner;
4. All County Property Taxes on the Certified Appraised Value of Eligible Property shall be abated during the Abatement Period in the percentages provided for by Section IV(B) below; and
5. 100% of the Certified Appraised Value of Eligible Property existing on the Site shall be fully taxable after expiration of the Abatement Period, including the remainder of the Term.

B. The County and Owner specifically agree and acknowledge that this Agreement shall provide for tax Abatement, under the conditions set forth herein, of all County Property Taxes as follows:

1. Beginning with the Calendar Year after the Calendar Year in which the COD occurs (unless an earlier year is elected in accordance with paragraph 6 below) and ending upon the conclusion of ten (10) full Calendar Years thereafter, the Abatement percentage of value of Eligible Property to be abated each year is 100% for all County Property Taxes.

2. The percentage of County Property Taxes set forth in Section IV(B)(1) above on the Certified Appraised Value of all Improvements described in the Certificate (and actually in place on the Site) is abated in the respective period designated in Section IV(B)(1) above.
3. The percentage of County Property Taxes set forth in Section IV(B)(1) above on the Certified Appraised Value of any and all otherwise taxable Eligible Property owned by Owner and located on the Site is abated in the respective period designated in Section IV(B)(1) above.
4. As of January 1 of the Base Year, the value for the proposed Improvements is zero, and Owner owns no tangible personal property located in the Reinvestment Zone.
5. The Abatement granted under this Agreement shall commence upon January 1 of the Calendar Year after the Calendar Year in which the COD occurs (unless an earlier year is elected in accordance with paragraph 6 below) and shall expire at the end of the tenth (10th) Calendar Year thereafter (such period, the "**Abatement Period**"). Owner shall provide the Certificate in writing both to the County and to the Appraisal District within sixty (60) days after the COD. The Certificate shall describe any ancillary facilities not required for Commercial Operations that are still under construction on the date that the Certificate is delivered, and if the Certificate indicates any such facilities exist, Owner will deliver an amended Certificate to the County and to the Appraisal District within sixty (60) days after the construction of all Improvements is complete. Such ancillary facilities, once completed and if eligible, shall become part of the Improvements eligible for the Abatement under this Agreement.
6. If Owner, at its sole election, desires that the ten-year Abatement Period commence prior to January 1 of the of the Calendar Year after the Calendar Year in which the COD occurs, then Owner may deliver a notice to the County and Appraisal District making such election (such notice being referred to herein as a "**Notice of Abatement Commencement**"). If delivered by Owner, the Notice of Abatement Commencement shall contain the following statement: "Owner elects for the ten-year Abatement period to begin on January 1, \_\_\_\_ [with Owner to complete the blank with the elected first year of the Abatement Period]"; the year stated in the Notice of Abatement Commencement shall be the first year of the Abatement Period, and the Abatement Period shall extend for 9 additional Calendar Years thereafter. Owner shall deliver the Notice of Abatement Commencement not later than the December 31 that immediately precedes the January 1 elected to be the beginning of the Abatement Period. Owner shall only be permitted to deliver a Notice of Abatement Commencement if it anticipates achieving COD during the Calendar Year elected to be the first year of the Abatement Period. Owner shall still be required to deliver the Certificate on or before the date required in the preceding paragraph.

7. Notwithstanding any statement or implication in this Agreement to the contrary, the parties agree that the Abatement granted hereby shall not extend beyond ten (10) Calendar Years.
- C. A portion or all of the Improvements may be eligible for complete or partial exemption from ad valorem taxes as a result of existing law or future legislation. This Agreement is not to be construed as evidence that no such exemptions shall apply to the Improvements.
- D. As additional consideration for this Abatement, Owner agrees to make an annual Payment in Lieu of Taxes to the County in an amount equal to two thousand one hundred thirty-six dollars (\$2,136.00) multiplied by the total Nameplate Capacity included in the Certificate (and actually in place in the Reinvestment Zone) during the ten (10) Calendar Years the Abatement is in effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the amount of the annual Payment in Lieu of Taxes shall, in no event, be less than one hundred ninety-two thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$192,240.00) (the "**Annual PILOT Floor Amount**"). The first such payment shall be due and payable on October 1 of the first Calendar Year of the Abatement and delinquent if not paid on or before January 31 of the immediately following Calendar Year, with the remaining nine (9) payments due and payable annually on or before October 1 thereafter and delinquent if not paid on or before the immediately following January 31. By way of illustration, if Year 1 of the Abatement period is 2029, then the PILOT owed for 2028 shall be due and payable on October 1, 2029, and delinquent if not paid on or before January 31, 2030. There shall be a total of ten (10) PILOTs under this Agreement. Past due amounts shall be subject to any and all statutory interest and penalties applicable to the payment and collection of taxes as provided in the Texas Tax Code. Except in the event of depository bank failure, Force Majeure shall not apply to any Payment in Lieu of Taxes or taxes owed under the terms of this Agreement.
- E. Owner agrees that the Improvements described in Section III, once constructed, will remain in place until at least twenty-five (25) Calendar Years after COD ("**Term**"); provided that nothing herein prevents Owner from replacing equipment or fixtures comprising the Improvements prior to that date, as long as such replacement does not result in a material reduction in the Certified Appraised Value of the Improvements. In the event that Owner removes Improvements (comprising in the aggregate not more than 20% of all Improvements), Owner's removal shall not be deemed a default under this Agreement if Owner pays to the County as liquidated damages for such removal from the Abatement in this Agreement, within thirty (30) days after demand, all taxes for such removed Improvements (which otherwise would have been paid to the County without benefit of a tax Abatement) with interest at the statutory rate under the Texas Tax Code, as amended, but without penalty. **IN THE EVENT OWNER REMOVES IMPROVEMENTS COMPRISING IN THE AGGREGATE NOT MORE THAN 20% OF ALL IMPROVEMENTS, OWNER SHALL NOT BE IN DEFAULT OF THIS SECTION IV(E), AND THE SOLE REMEDY OF THE COUNTY, AND OWNER'S SOLE LIABILITY, WILL BE FOR OWNER TO PAY TO THE COUNTY THE FULL AMOUNT OF ACTUAL TAXES ABATED AT ANY TIME UNDER THIS AGREEMENT ON THE REMOVED IMPROVEMENTS WITH INTEREST, BUT**

LESS ANY TAX PAYMENTS OR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES REMITTED TO THE COUNTY WITH RESPECT TO THE REMOVED IMPROVEMENTS. IN THE EVENT OWNER OWES ANY AMOUNTS UNDER THIS SECTION IV(E), ANY TAXES DUE BY OWNER SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL STATUTORY RIGHTS FOR THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS TAX CODE. IN THE EVENT OWNER REMOVES IMPROVEMENTS COMPRISING IN THE AGGREGATE MORE THAN 20% OF ALL IMPROVEMENTS, OWNER SHALL BE IN DEFAULT OF THIS SECTION IV(E), AND THE PROVISIONS IN ARTICLE VII OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL APPLY.

## **V. Representations**

The County and Owner make the following respective representations:

- A. Owner represents and agrees that (i) Owner and its successors and/or assigns will have a taxable interest with respect to Improvements to be placed on the Site; (ii) construction of the proposed Improvements described in Section III will be performed by Owner, its successors and/or assigns and/or their contractors or subcontractors; (iii) Owner's and its successors' and assigns' use of the Site in the Reinvestment Zone will be limited to the use described in this Agreement during the Term (after the COD), which the parties agree are consistent with the general purpose of encouraging development in the Reinvestment Zone; (iv) all representations made in this Agreement are true and correct in all material respects to the best of Owner's knowledge; (v) Owner will make required filings, if any, by Owner with the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts and other governmental entities concerning this Agreement that may be required in the future; (vi) the Project will not be constructed without first obtaining all necessary local, state and federal environmental and construction permits, and Owner will abide by all conditions of the permits and all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations governing the construction and operation of the Project throughout its economic life; and (vii) the planned use of the Site will not constitute a hazard to public health or safety throughout the economic life of the Project, except that uses that are customary and industry standard for a utility-scale solar energy project using photovoltaic panels shall in no event be deemed to constitute such a hazard.
- B. The County represents that (i) the County has formally elected to be eligible to grant property tax abatements under Chapter 312 of the Tax Code; (ii) the Reinvestment Zone and this Agreement have been created in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and the Guidelines as both exist on the Effective Date of this Agreement; (iii) as applicable, (a) no interest in the Improvements or the Site is held or subleased by a member of the County Commissioners Court, or (b) any member of the County Commissioners Court that has a potential economic or financial interest in the Improvements or the Site has abstained from any vote or decision regarding this Agreement; (iv) the property within the Reinvestment Zone is located within the legal boundaries of the County and outside the boundaries of all municipalities located in the County; and (v) the County has made and will continue to make all required filings with the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts and other governmental entities concerning the Reinvestment Zone and this Agreement.

- C. Owner represents and agrees that if it builds the Improvements and if the COD occurs, the Project will (i) add at least Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) to the tax roll of Eligible Property, (ii) create no fewer than two (2) new, permanent, full-time job (which job may be created under Owner, its contractors, one or more of their respective affiliates, or service providers engaged to provide goods or services in connection with the operation of the Improvements), (iii) make a commercially reasonable effort to ensure the Project leads to a positive net economic benefit to the County of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) over the life of this Agreement, computed to include (but not limited to) new sustaining payroll and/or capital improvement, and (iv) not solely or primarily have the effect of transferring employment from one part of the County to another. For purposes of this Agreement, permanent, full-time job shall mean any position in which an employee works 1,820 hours or more during the year.

## **VI. Access to and Inspection of Property by County Employees**

- A. Owner shall allow the County's employees access to the Improvements for the purpose of inspecting any Improvements erected to ensure that the same are conforming to the minimum specifications of this Agreement and to ensure that all terms and conditions of this Agreement are being met. All such inspections shall be made only after giving Owner seven (7) calendar days' notice and shall be conducted in such a manner as to avoid any unreasonable interference with the construction and/or operation of the Improvements. All such inspections shall be made with one (1) or more representatives of Owner in accordance with all applicable safety standards.
- B. Owner shall, on or before March 31 of each Calendar Year starting with the first year of the Abatement Period, certify annually to the County its compliance with this Agreement by providing written testament to the same to the County Judge using the form attached hereto as Attachment C.

## **VII. Default, Remedies and Limitation of Liability**

- A. The County may declare a default if Owner breaches any material term or condition of this Agreement. If the County declares a default of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate, after notice and opportunity to cure as provided for below, or the County may modify this Agreement upon mutual agreement with Owner. If Owner believes that such termination was improper, Owner may file suit in the proper court challenging such termination. In the event of default, the County may pursue the remedies provided for in Section VII(C) below or the preceding Section IV(E), as applicable. The County shall not declare a default, and no default will be deemed to have occurred, when the circumstances giving rise to such declaration are the result of Force Majeure. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, in the event a party is rendered unable, wholly or in part, by Force Majeure to carry out its obligations under this Agreement (other than any obligation to make payment of any amount when due and payable hereunder), the obligation of such party, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of any condition or event of Force Majeure, but for no longer period, and such condition or

event shall so far as possible be remedied with all reasonable dispatch. The party prevented or hindered from performing shall give prompt (but in no event later than twenty (20) business days after the occurrence of such event) notice and reasonably full particulars of such event to the other party and shall take all reasonable actions within its power to remove the basis for nonperformance (including securing alternative supply sources) and after doing so shall resume performance as soon as possible. The settlement of strikes or lockouts or resolution of differences with workers shall be entirely within the discretion of the affected party, and that the above requirement that any Force Majeure shall be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not require the settlement of strikes, lockouts or differences by acceding to the demands of the opposing party in such strike, lockout or difference when such course is inadvisable in the reasonably exercised discretion of the affected party.

- B. The County shall notify Owner and any Lender for which Owner has provided contact information to the County of any default in writing in the manner prescribed herein. All contact information for purposes of a notice of default shall be provided to the County Judge. The notice shall specify the basis for the declaration of default, and Owner shall have sixty (60) days from the date of such notice to cure any default, except that where the default is incapable of being cured within sixty (60) days using reasonable business efforts, Owner shall commence performance of the cure within thirty (30) days after receipt of notice and diligently pursue those efforts until the default is cured. Any Lender of which the County has notice shall have the right to cure any defect, including any defect caused by an assignee or contractor of Owner during the same cure period identified in the foregoing sentence.
- C. As required by section 312.205 of the Texas Tax Code, if Owner fails to make the Improvements as provided for by this Agreement or fails to cure a default after proper notice and the expiration of the provided cure period, the County shall be entitled to cancel this Agreement and recapture property tax revenue lost as a result of this Agreement, less any PILOTs paid by Owner to the County, subject to the above provisions regarding notice and right to cure.
- D. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: CANCELLATION OF THIS AGREEMENT (RESULTING IN A FORFEITURE OF ANY RIGHT TO ABATEMENT HEREUNDER BEYOND THE CANCELLATION DATE), RECAPTURE OF PROPERTY TAXES ABATED (BUT LESS ALL PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES PAID BY OWNER) ONLY AS PROVIDED FOR AND ONLY UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DEFINED IN SECTION VII(C) OF THIS AGREEMENT, AND/OR RECOVERY OF THE AMOUNTS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION IV(E) ONLY AS PROVIDED FOR AND ONLY UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DEFINED IN SECTION IV(E), ALONG WITH ANY REASONABLY INCURRED COURT COSTS AND ATTORNEYS' FEES, SHALL BE THE COUNTY'S SOLE REMEDY, AND OWNER'S SOLE LIABILITY, IN THE EVENT OWNER FAILS TO MAKE THE SPECIFIED IMPROVEMENTS OR TAKE OTHER ACTION REQUIRED BY THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING ANY FAILURE TO PAY AMOUNTS OWED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT. OWNER AND THE COUNTY AGREE THAT THE LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS PARAGRAPH ARE REASONABLE AND REFLECT THE BARGAINED FOR RISK ALLOCATION**

AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES. IN THE EVENT OF A BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT, ANY AMOUNTS DUE FROM OWNER SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL STATUTORY RIGHTS FOR THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS TAX CODE.

- E. Any notice of default under this Agreement shall prominently state the following at the top of the notice:

**NOTICE OF DEFAULT UNDER TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF THE FOLLOWING DEFAULT UNDER YOUR TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY. FAILURE TO CURE THIS DEFAULT WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS OF NOTICE OR OTHERWISE CURE THE DEFAULT AS PROVIDED BY THIS AGREEMENT SHALL RESULT IN TERMINATION OF THE TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT AND MAY INCLUDE RECAPTURE OF TAXES ABATED PURSUANT TO THAT AGREEMENT.

**VIII. Compliance with State and Local Regulations**

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to alter or affect the obligations of Owner to comply with any order, rule, statute or regulation of the County or the State of Texas.

**IX. Assignment of Agreement**

- A. The rights and responsibilities of Owner hereunder may be assigned in part or in their entirety to an Affiliate without County's prior consent. Owner shall provide notice to the County of any assignment to an Affiliate. Owner's assignment of the Agreement to an Affiliate shall be final only after the execution of a formal assignment document between Owner and the assignee and the delivery of notice of the execution of such assignment agreement to the County.
- B. The rights and responsibilities of Owner hereunder may be assigned in their entirety to a party other than an Affiliate, but only after obtaining the County's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Any assignment by Owner to a party other than an Affiliate without first obtaining the written consent of the County shall be a default under this Agreement subject to the notice provisions, cure provisions, remedies, and other terms and conditions of Article VII above. Owner shall give the County thirty (30) days' written notice of any intended assignment to a party other than an Affiliate, and the County shall respond with its consent or refusal within thirty (30) days after receipt of Owner's notice of assignment. If the County responds to Owner's notice of assignment with a refusal, the parties agree to work together in good faith to resolve the County's objections to the assignment. Owner's assignment of the Agreement shall be final only after the execution of a formal assignment document between Owner and the assignee and the delivery of notice of the execution of such assignment agreement to the County. Neither Owner's notice of an intended assignment nor the County's formal consent to an intended assignment

shall constitute an assignment of the Agreement, and Owner's request for a consent to assignment shall not obligate Owner to assign the Agreement.

- C. No assignment under Paragraph IX(A) or IX(B) shall be allowed if (a) the County has declared a default hereunder that has not been cured within all applicable notice and cure periods, or (b) the assignee is delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the County or any other taxing jurisdiction in the County. Consent to a transfer or assignment requested under Paragraph IX(B) will be subject to the County approving the financial capacity of the transferee/assignee and subject to all conditions and obligations in this Agreement being assumed and guaranteed by the transferee/assignee. The County shall not unreasonably withhold consent to a transfer or an assignment under Paragraph IX(B). The transfer or assignment shall be presumed to be reasonable where the proposed transferee/assignee demonstrates to the County its financial capacity to meet the terms of this Agreement, agrees to be bound by all conditions and obligations stated herein, and is not in default under any other agreement with the County.
- D. The parties agree that a transfer of all or a portion of the equity interests (e.g., membership interests) in Owner to a third party shall not be considered an assignment under the terms of this Agreement and shall not require any consent of the County.
- E. Upon any assignment and assumption under Paragraph IX(A) or IX(B) of Owner's entire interest in the Agreement, Owner shall have no further rights, duties or obligations under the Agreement. No partial assignments to an assignee that is not an Affiliate are permitted by Owner without County's prior written consent.
- F. In addition to its rights under Paragraph IX(A) and IX(B), Owner may, without obtaining the County's consent, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise encumber its interest in this Agreement or the Project to a Lender for the purpose of financing the operations of the Project or constructing the Project or acquiring additional equipment following any initial phase of construction. Owner's encumbering its interest in this Agreement may include an assignment of Owner's rights and obligations under this Agreement for purposes of granting a security interest in this Agreement. In the event Owner takes any of the actions permitted by this subparagraph, it may provide written notice of such action to the County with such notice to include the name and notice information of the Lender. If Owner provides the name and contact information of a Lender to the County, then the County shall be required to provide a copy to such Lender of all Notices delivered to Owner at the same time that the Notice is delivered to Owner. If Owner does not provide the name and contact information of a Lender to the County in writing, then such Lender shall not have the notice rights or other rights of a Lender under this Agreement.

## X. Notice

All notices, demands, or other communications of any type (collectively, "Notices" and each individually, a "Notice") given shall be given in accordance with this Section. All Notices shall be in writing and delivered, by commercial delivery service to the office of the person to whom the Notice is directed (provided that that delivery is confirmed by the courier delivery service); by United States Postal Service (USPS), postage prepaid, as a registered or certified

item, return receipt requested in a proper wrapper and with proper postage; by recognized overnight delivery service as evidenced by a bill of lading, or by facsimile transmission. Notices delivered by commercial delivery service shall be deemed delivered on receipt or refusal; Notices delivered by USPS shall be deemed to have been given upon deposit with the same; facsimile Notice shall be effective upon receipt by the sender of an electronic confirmation. Regardless of the method of delivery, in no case shall Notice be deemed delivered later than actual receipt. In the event of a notice of default given pursuant to Article VII, such Notice shall be given by at least two (2) methods of delivery and consistent with Section VII(E). All Notices shall be mailed or delivered to the following addresses:

**To Owner:**

TotalEnergies Renewables USA, LLC  
Attn: Greg Nelson  
4330 Gaines Ranch Loop, Suite 100  
Austin, Texas 78735

**To the County:**

Knox County Judge  
Knox County Courthouse  
P.O. Box 77  
Benjamin, Texas 79505

Any party may designate a different address by giving the other party at least ten (10) days written notice in the manner prescribed above.

**XI. Severability**

In the event any section or other part of this Agreement is held invalid, illegal, factually insufficient, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable, the balance of this Agreement shall stand, shall be enforceable and shall be read as if the parties intended at all times to delete said invalid, illegal, factually insufficient, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable section(s) or other part(s). In the event that (i) the term of the Abatement with respect to any property is longer than allowed by law or (ii) the Abatement applies to a broader classification of property than is allowed by law, then the Abatement shall be valid with respect to the classification of property not deemed overly broad, and for the portion of the term of the Abatement not deemed excessive. Any provision required by the Tax Code to be contained herein that does not appear herein is incorporated herein by reference.

**XII. Applicable Law and Venue**

This Agreement shall be construed under and governed by the laws of the State of Texas. This Agreement, in its entirety, shall be performable in Knox County, Texas. As part of the consideration for entering into this Agreement, both the County and Owner agree that any litigation to construe or enforce the terms or conditions of this Agreement shall be brought solely in the state or federal district courts having jurisdiction in or over Knox County, Texas.

### **XIII. Amendment**

Except as otherwise provided, this Agreement may be modified by the parties hereto upon mutual written consent to include other provisions which could have originally been included in this Agreement or to delete provisions that were not originally necessary to this Agreement pursuant to the procedures set forth in Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code.

### **XIV. Guidelines and Criteria**

This Agreement is entered into by the parties consistent with the Guidelines. To the extent this Agreement modifies any requirement or procedure set forth in the Guidelines, the Guidelines are deemed amended for purposes of this Agreement only.

### **XV. Entire Agreement**

This Agreement contains the entire and integrated Tax Abatement Agreement between the County and Owner, and supersedes any and all other negotiations and agreements, whether written or oral, between the parties. This Agreement has not been executed in reliance upon any representation or promise except those contained herein.

### **XVI. Coordination of Local Hiring and Services**

- A. Owner shall use reasonable commercial efforts to maximize its use of County labor and services and supplies purchased from County businesses in the course of performing under this Agreement, as is further described in the Local Spending and Support Plan attached to this Agreement as Attachment B.
- B. For every year during the Term after the COD, Owner, its contractors, and their respective affiliates will collectively employ at least one (1) full-time Project employee in the County.
- C. Upon request by Owner, County shall provide a written statement certifying that Owner is then in compliance (or has fully complied) with the Local Spending and Support Plan; if County cannot make such statement, County will provide an explanation to Owner of its determination.

### **XVII. Road and Bridge Maintenance**

During construction of the Improvements, Owner agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize the disruption to County roads (for purposes of this paragraph, the term "roads" includes, without limitation, all adjacent ditches and rights-of-way), culverts, and bridges and agrees to repair any damage caused to County roads, culverts, or bridges by Owner or its agents. After construction, Owner will leave such County roads, culverts, and bridges in a state of equal or better condition than they were in prior to construction, excepting normal wear and tear. Any upgrade or requirement to upgrade any road, culvert, or bridge used or necessary for Owner's operations will be borne solely by Owner. After construction, the County will only be responsible for the normal routine maintenance of the County roads, culverts, and bridges, and Owner will be responsible for any extraordinary repair or

maintenance of County roads, culverts, and/or bridges that becomes necessary or appropriate due to the use of such roads, culverts, and bridges by Owner or its agents. All repairs, maintenance, replacements, and upgrades will be made in accordance with County standards and specifications, and Owner will only use such materials in repairing, maintaining, replacing, and upgrading County roads, culverts, and bridges as are acceptable to the County, in the County's sole discretion. This Section XVII shall become void and shall have no further effect upon the execution of a separate Agreement for Road Use, Repair, and Improvement by and between Owner and County relating to the Project.

### **XVIII. Site Maintenance, Noise, and Decommissioning**

- A. Owner shall maintain the Site reasonably free from accumulation of objectionable, unsightly, or unsanitary matter, debris, waste material, rubbish, tumbleweeds, and noxious weeds. Owner shall always maintain (i) a buffer zone of at least five hundred (500) feet between the Site and any residential property located within the boundaries of the Reinvestment Zone, and (ii) a buffer zone of at least one hundred (100) feet between the Site and the boundary lines of the Reinvestment Zone, save and except the boundary line of the Reinvestment Zone that constitutes the boundary line of Knox and Baylor Counties. Owner agrees and hereby covenants that no Improvements will be built in the buffer zones except driveways or Access Roads. Owner shall plant trees or other vegetation only along the boundary between the project and residences as necessary, as approved by the County. Owner shall be allowed to fence the periphery of the property, in the periphery of the Reinvestment Zone if necessary and install at grade roads for access.
- B. Owner shall use reasonable efforts to keep sound emissions from the Improvements to a minimum. Owner shall not make, continue, or cause to be made or continued any noise of such character, intensity and continued duration, which noise substantially interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of persons of ordinary sensibilities. If the County determines that Owner is in violation of this subsection, the County shall provide notice to Owner in accordance with this Agreement, and Owner shall have five (5) business days to cure the violation. If after the five business day cure period, Owner continue to violate the noise requirements, it is agreed that harm caused by such a violation is difficult to estimate and it is stipulated that as a liquidated damage for any such continued violation by Owner, the Parties agree that Owner pay to County \$500.00 per each day a violation occurred. It is expressly stipulated that this is liquidated damages for the noise violation(s) and not a penalty, the use of the term "violation" notwithstanding. Owner shall pay County the liquidated damage amount on or within fourteen (14) days after County presents an invoice to Owner for such violation.
- C. Within 18 months after ceasing operations of the Project, Owner shall remove the Improvements from the Site, level all disturbed areas, remove all debris and all of Owner's equipment, facilities, and material, restore the surrounding land so that it will support the crops or natural range vegetation thereon, and generally shall restore the surface of the Site to the same condition and quality as it was before the Effective Date.

### **XIX. Indemnity**

Owner agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold the County, each of its elected officials, all of its servants, agents, and employees, any person or legal entity designated by the County to perform any function required under the Guidelines, under the tax abatement application, or

by the terms of this Agreement, and the Appraisal District, its officers, directors, servants, agents and employees (collectively, the “**Indemnitees**”) harmless from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, costs, actions, causes of action, and attorneys’ fees incurred by or alleged against the Indemnitees (“**Claims**”) arising from or in any way relating to the tax abatement application, the terms, covenants, and conditions contained in this Agreement, and the actions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, Owner shall not be responsible to indemnify the Indemnitees for Claims arising from the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of the Indemnitees. This provision does not waive any governmental immunity available to the Indemnitees under Texas law, nor does this provision waive any defense of any party under Texas law.

## **XX. Reimbursement of Expenses**

Within thirty (30) days of the date of receipt of an invoice, Owner agrees to reimburse the County for or pay directly to the County’s attorneys, as applicable, the reasonable and necessary attorney’s fees and expenses incurred, directly or indirectly, by the County in connection with the negotiation and formalization of the Abatement and this Agreement in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00).

## **XXI. Estoppel Certificates.**

Each party on written request from the other party shall provide an estoppel certificate that shall certify, as of the date of the certificate: (i) that this Agreement is in full force and effect without default if such is the case, (ii) the remaining term of this Agreement, and (iii) such other matters as may be agreed upon by the parties, a party’s consent to inclusion of other matters not to be unreasonably withheld. A party shall provide the estoppel certificate or an explanation of why the party is not willing to provide the certificate within thirty (30) days of receiving a request.

## **XXII. Employment of Undocumented Workers.**

During the term of this Agreement, Owner agrees not to knowingly employ any undocumented workers as defined in Section 2264.001 of the Texas Government Code. If Owner is convicted after exhaustion of all rights of appeal of a violation under 8 U.S.C. §1324a(f), Owner shall repay the amount of the abatements and any other funds actually then received by Owner from the County as of the date of such violation, not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the date Owner is notified by the County of a violation of this section, plus interest at the rate periodically announced by the Wall Street Journal as the prime or base commercial lending rate, or if the Wall Street Journal shall ever cease to exist or cease to announce a prime or base lending rate, then at the annual rate of interest from time to time announced by Citibank, N.A. (or by any other New York money center bank selected by the County) as its prime or base commercial lending rate. The payment of interest shall be as if it had been accruing from the dates the abatements were granted to Owner until the date the amount due is repaid to the County.

**XXIII. No Boycott.**

In accordance with Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, a Texas governmental entity may not enter into an agreement with a business entity for the provision of goods or services unless the agreement contains a written verification from the business entity that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the agreement. Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code does not apply to (1) a company that is a sole proprietorship; (2) a company that has fewer than ten (10) full-time employees; or (3) the contract has a value of less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00). Unless Owner is not subject to Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code for any of the reasons stated herein, the signatory executing this Agreement on behalf of Owner verifies that Owner verifies that Owner does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement.

**XXIV. Not a Listed Company.**

In accordance with Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code, the Owner covenants and agrees that Owner is not on a list maintained by the State Comptroller's office prepared and maintained pursuant to Section 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.

**XXV. No Firearms Boycott.**

To the extent Texas Government Code Chapter 2274 applies to this Agreement, Owner represents that: (i) Owner does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (ii) Owner will not discriminate during the term against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

**XXVI. No Energy Company Boycott.**

To the extent Texas Government Code Chapter 2276 applies to this Agreement, Owner represents that: (i) Owner does not boycott energy companies; and (ii) Owner will not boycott energy companies during the term.

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IN TESTIMONY OF WHICH, THIS AGREEMENT has been executed by the County as authorized by the County Commissioners Court and executed by Owner on the respective dates shown below and is effective on the Effective Date.

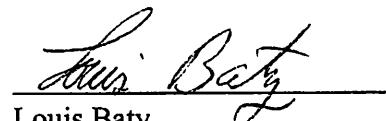
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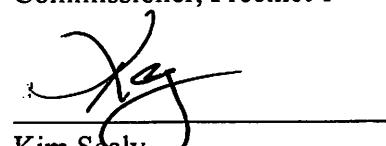
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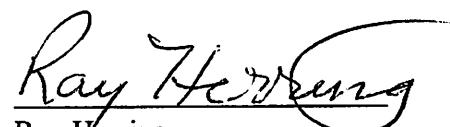
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Louis Baty  
Commissioner, Precinct 1



Kim Sealy  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

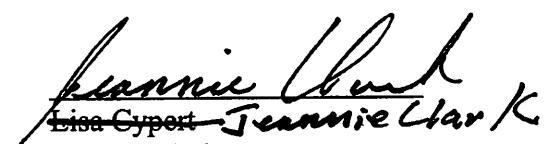


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Commissioner, Precinct 3

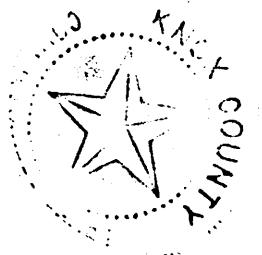


Nathan Urbanczyk  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

Attest:



Jeannie Clark  
Lisa Cypert-Jeannie Clark  
County Clerk



**ROLLING PLAINS SOLAR, LLC,**  
a Delaware limited liability company

DocuSigned by:  
By:   
Printed Name: Greg Nelson  
Title: CDO

Date: February 3, 2026

**Attachment A**

Attached is the Reinvestment Zone created by resolution dated November 10, 2025, duly passed by the County Commissioners Court and referred to as the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone.

**RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT  
OF KNOX COUNTY, TEXAS  
DESIGNATING THE ROLLING PLAINS SOLAR REINVESTMENT ZONE**

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA AS A REINVESTMENT ZONE  
FOR A COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT IN KNOX COUNTY,  
TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*WHEREAS*, the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas desires to promote the development or redevelopment of a certain contiguous geographic area within its jurisdiction by the creation of a reinvestment zone as authorized by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (Texas Property Tax Code § 312.001, *et seq.*); and

*WHEREAS*, the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas has previously adopted Guidelines and Criteria of the Commissioners Court of Knox County for Granting a Tax Abatement in Reinvestment Zone Created in Knox County, Texas (the "Guidelines"); and

*WHEREAS*, on this date, a hearing before the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas was held, such date being at least seven (7) days after the date of publication of the notice of such public hearing in the local newspaper of general circulation in Knox County and the delivery of written notice to the respective presiding officers of each taxing entity that includes within its boundaries real property that is to be included in the proposed reinvestment zone; and

*WHEREAS*, the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas at such public hearing invited any interested person to appear and speak for or against the creation of the reinvestment zone and whether all or part of the territory described should be included in the proposed reinvestment zone; and

*WHEREAS*, the proponents of the reinvestment zone offered evidence, both oral and documentary, in favor of all of the foregoing matters relating to the creation of the reinvestment zone and opponents, if any, of the reinvestment zone appeared to contest the creation of the reinvestment zone.

***BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TEXAS:***

**SECTION 1.** That the facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found and declared to be true and correct.

**SECTION 2.** That the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas, after conducting such hearing and having heard such evidence and testimony, has made the following findings and determinations based on the evidence and testimony presented to it:

- (a) That the public hearing on adoption of the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone has been properly called, held and conducted and that notice of such hearing has been published as required by law and mailed to the respective presiding officers of the governing bodies of all taxing units overlapping the territory inside the proposed reinvestment zone; and

- (b) That the boundaries of the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone should be the area described in the legal description and corresponding map attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes; and,
- (c) That creation of the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone will result in benefits to Knox County, Texas and to land included in the zone and that the improvements sought are feasible and practical; and
- (d) The Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone meets the criteria set forth in Texas Property Tax Code Chapter 312 for the creation of a reinvestment zone as set forth in the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, and the Guidelines, in that it is reasonably likely as a result of the designation to contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or to attract investment in the zone that would be a benefit to the property and that would contribute to the economic development of Knox County, Texas, and that the entire tract of land is located entirely within an unincorporated area of Knox County, Texas.

**SECTION 3.** That pursuant to the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, and the Guidelines, Knox County Commissioner's Court hereby creates the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone; a reinvestment zone for commercial-industrial tax abatement encompassing only the area described on and as shown on the map in "Exhibit A", and such reinvestment zone is hereby designated and shall hereafter be referred to as Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone.

**SECTION 4.** That Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone shall take effect on the date of this Resolution and shall remain designated as a commercial-industrial reinvestment zone for a period of five (5) years from such date of designation and may be renewed for an additional five (5) year period thereafter.

**SECTION 5.** That if any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

**SECTION 6.** That it is hereby found, determined and declared that a sufficient notice of the date, hour, place and subject, of the meeting of the Knox County Commissioners Court at which this Resolution was adopted was posted at a place convenient and readily accessible at all times as required by the Texas Open Government Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended, and that a public hearing was held prior to the designation of such reinvestment zone and that proper notice of the hearing was published in the official newspaper of general circulation within the County, and furthermore, such notice was in fact delivered to the presiding officer of any affected taxing entity as prescribed by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025



Don Thompson, County Judge



Louis Bafy  
Louis Bafy  
Commissioner, Precinct 1



Kim Sealy  
Kim Sealy  
Commissioner, Precinct 2



Ray Herring  
Ray Herring  
Commissioner, Precinct 3



Nathan Urbansky  
Nathan Urbansky  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

Attest:



Lisa Cyper  
Lisa Cyper, County Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND MAP OF**  
**ROLLING PLAINS SOLAR REINVESTMENT ZONE**

Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone is comprised of the following parcels. In the event of discrepancy between this Exhibit "A" and the attached map, the map shall control; provided however, the Rolling Plains Solar Reinvestment Zone shall in no way be deemed to include any portion of any municipality.

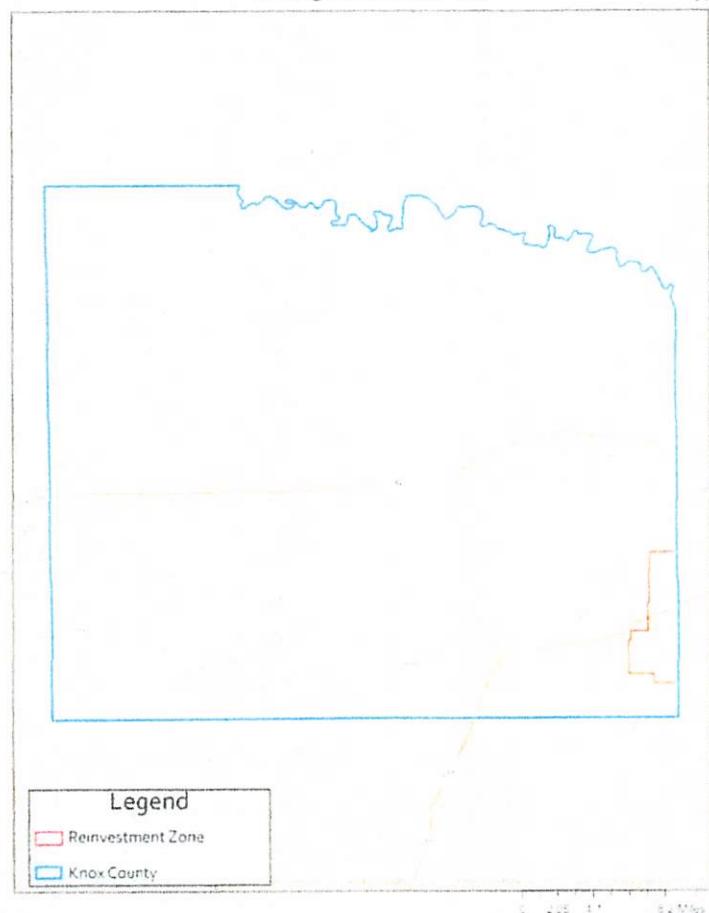
#### ***Reinvestment Zone (Parcel Listing)***

**EXHIBIT A (CONTINUED)**  
MAPS OF  
ROLLING PLAINS SOLAR REINVESTMENT ZONE

*Reinvestment Zone Map (1 of 2)*

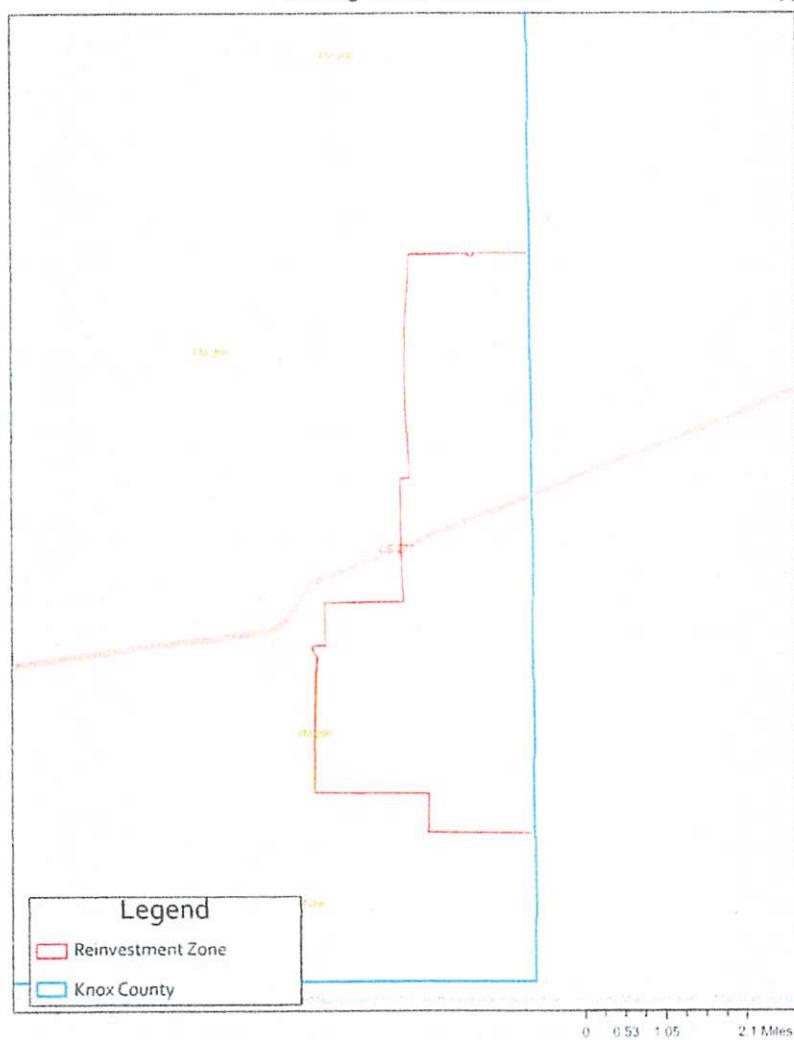
Rolling Plains Solar, LLC

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**Reinvestment Zone Map (2 of 2)**

**Rolling Plains Solar, LLC**





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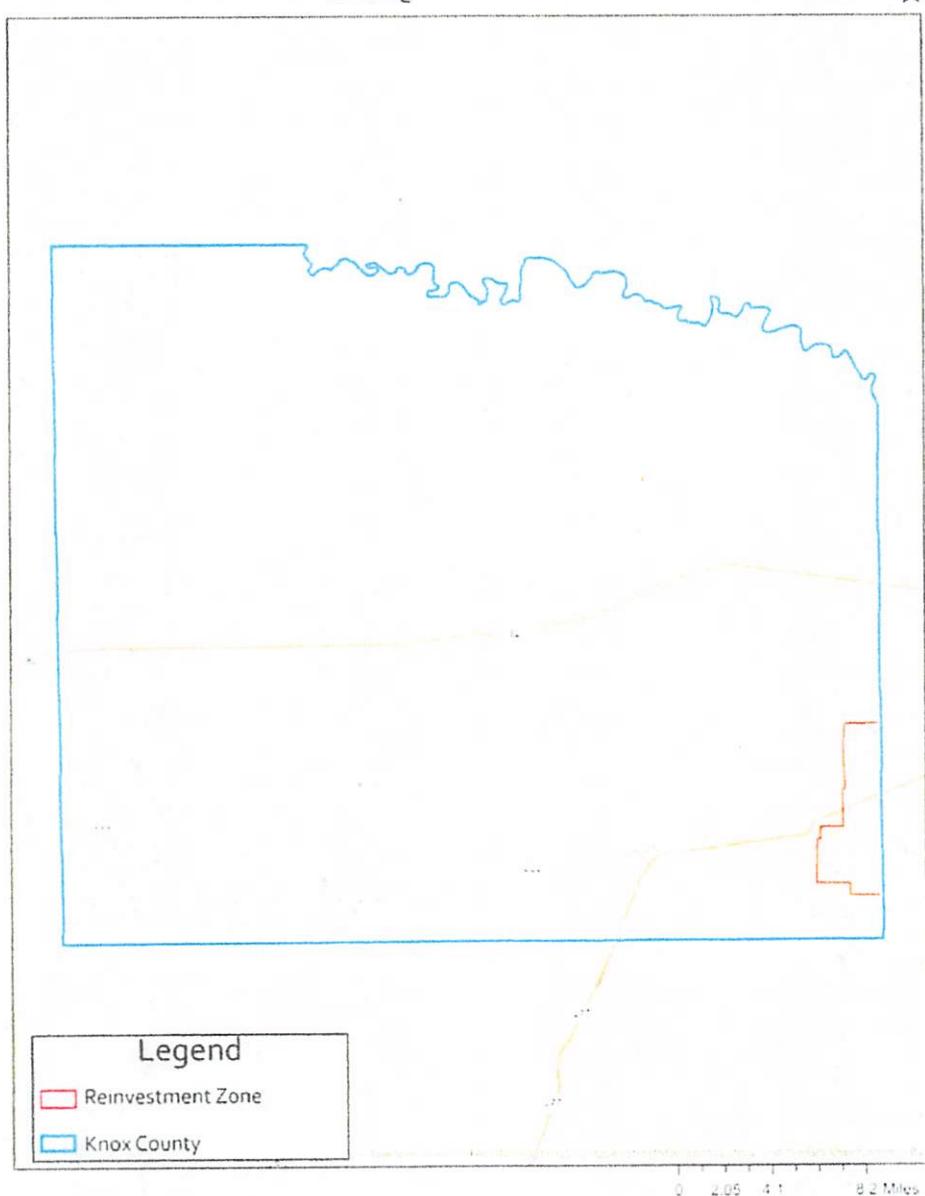
**Reinvestment Zone (Parcel Listing)**

OWNER ID	PARCEL ID	ACRES	LEGAL DESC
MICHAEL GRAY	3307	.10	ABST 1810 BLK 45 SEC 63 ABST 1930 BLK 45 SEC 62
MICHAEL GRAY	3308	.196	
ALLAR DEVELOPMENT LLC	3181	.100	ABST 1934 BLK 45 SEC 62
ALLAR DEVELOPMENT LLC	3180	.152	ABST 1933 BLK 45 SEC 72
ALLAR DEVELOPMENT LLC	3179	.151	ABST 145 BLK 45 SEC 01
ELL OF FREDDIE JAY & TERRI	7661	1	ABST 2061 BLK 2 SEC 2 NW RR GOREE
ELL OF FREDDIE JAY & TERRI	2960	.039	ABST 1061 BLK 2 SEC 2 NW RR GOREE
BARFIELD INRIES	2976	.189	ABST 1924 BLK 1 SEC 27 NW RR GOREE (UNDIVIDED INTEREST)
ESCARBROSO LTD A TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	2871	.640	ABST 516 BLK 2 SEC 1 NW RR GOREE
HUMMINGBIRD HILLS RANCH, LLC	375	.155 .3	ABST 1925 BLK 1 SEC 2 NW RR GOREE
HUMMINGBIRD HILLS RANCH, LLC	4430	.91	ABST 1925 BLK 1 SEC 9 NW RR GOREE
CARTER FAMILY FARM	1521	.260	ABST 1907 BLK 1 SEC 10 NW RR CO GOREE
ESCARBROSO LTD A TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	10000269	1	ABST 515 BLK 2 SEC 1 NW RR GOREE HOUSE
ESCARBROSO LTD A TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	2872	.54 .7	ABST 515 BLK 2 SEC 3 NW RR GOREE
HANIMACK GABRIEL AND MACHELLIE	10006398	.64 .3	ABST 515 BLK 2 SEC 3 NW RR GOREE
PARKER DOUGLES & FRANCES	4857	.305 .2	ABST 515 BLK 2 SEC 3 NW RR GOREE
YAYO W L (BUDDY)	1545	.304 .9	ABST 1394 BLK 45 SEC 70 HCTC RR GOREE
BIRKENFIELD FARMS GENERAL PARTNERSHIP	509 NORTH FHT	.759	ABST 1909 BLK 45 SEC 63 HCTC RR GOREE
YAYO W L (BUDDY)	5452	.47 .5	ABST 1394 BLK 2 SEC 63 HCTC RR GOREE
YAYO W L (BUDDY)	1546	.629 .83	ABST 142 BLK 45 SEC 71 HCTC GOREE
YAYO W L (BUDDY)	1549	.586 .35	ABST 1393 BLK 45 SEC 73 HCTC GOREE
BAR V HOLDINGS, LLC	4223	2,535.226	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER
BOIVIN DAN	1001	.283	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER GOREE
BAR V HOLDINGS, LLC	13908	1	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER GOREE IMP
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PATNODE CHEVENE	14473	.159 .52	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER GOREE CAME FROM PH14424
GROVES MARY DENISE	14425	.160 .7	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER W/1 GOREE 10 BIRKENFIELD
GROVES MARY DENISE	14426	.5	ABST 46 SEC 1941 GARNER GOREE CAME FROM PH4221 BIRKENFIELD

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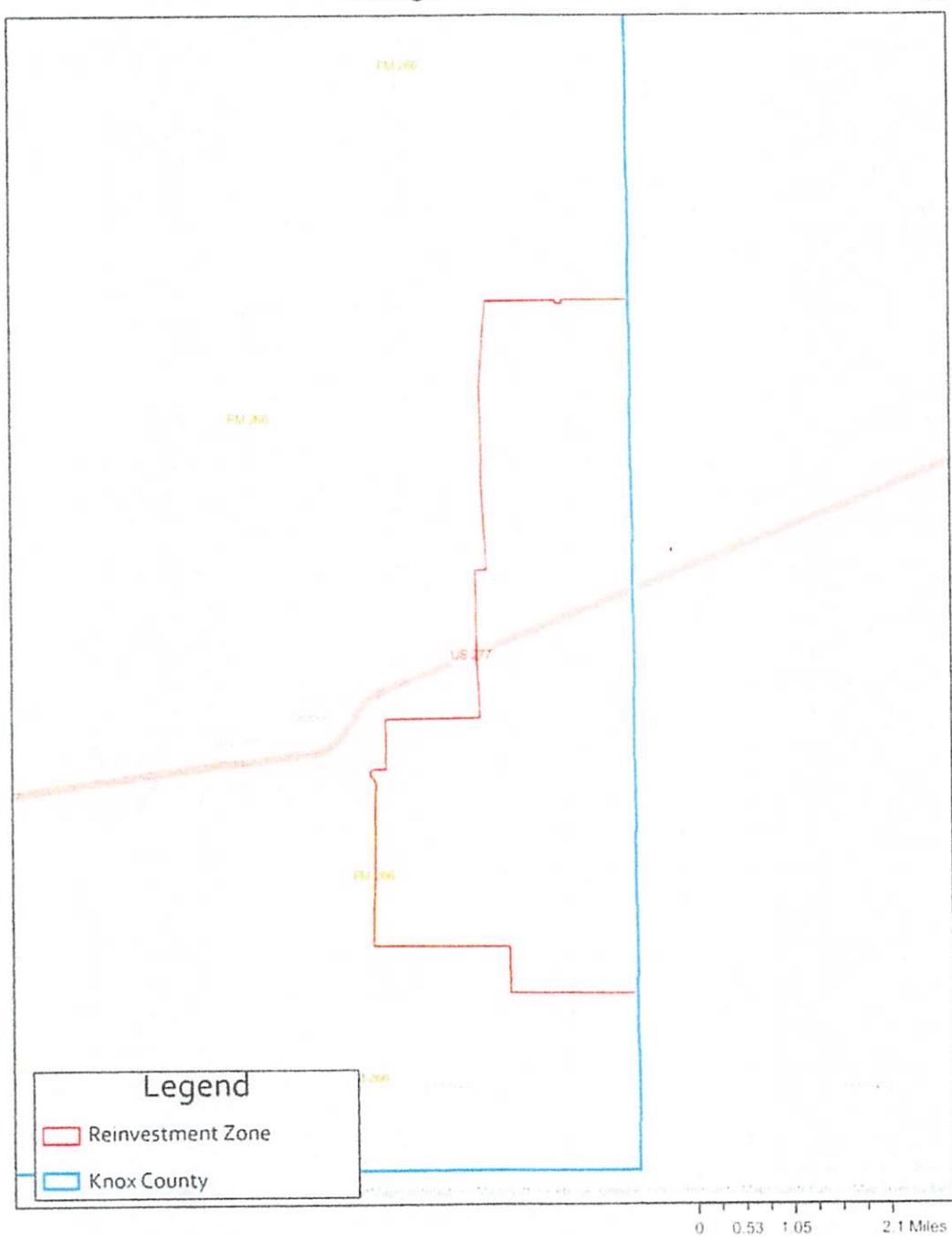
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Rolling Plains Solar, LLC



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Rolling Plains Solar, LLC



**Attachment B**

**LOCAL SPENDING AND SUPPORT PLAN**

- A. In connection with the construction and operation of the Improvements in the County, Owner and Owner's prime contractor(s) ("Prime Contractor(s)") responsible for overseeing construction and/or operation of the Improvements will use commercially reasonable efforts during the Term to invest at least eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) in purchases of services, materials and supplies from County individuals and businesses, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall require Owner or the Prime Contractor(s) to use services, materials and supplies provided by County residents that are not: (i) of similar quality to those provided by nonresidents; or (ii) made available on terms and/or at prices comparable to those offered by nonresidents.
- B. In no event shall Owner or the Prime Contractor discriminate against County residents or businesses in employment or in the purchase of goods and services.
- C. In filling employment vacancies in connection with the Project, Owner and the Prime Contractor(s) will use commercially reasonable efforts to use County labor, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall require Owner or the Prime Contractor to employ County residents who are not: (i) equally or more qualified than nonresident applicants; or (ii) available for employment on terms and/or at salaries comparable to those required by nonresident applicants. Individuals who resided in Knox County at the time of their initial employment shall be considered "County labor" even if they relocate to a residence outside of the County during their term of employment.
- D. Notwithstanding anything in this Attachment B, County acknowledges that Owner may engage a nationally recognized solar power plant contractor to act as the Prime Contractor of the Improvements, and that Owner or any such Prime Contractor shall procure specialty equipment and specialty materials, including but not limited to inverters, transformers, modules, trackers, , directly from the manufacturers or distributors of such equipment and materials. County further acknowledges that some aspects of the construction and installation of the Improvements require specialized construction and installation services. County acknowledges that Owner or its Prime Contractors shall procure such services from service providers with specialized expertise in solar power plant construction. County agrees that such actions shall not in any way violate this Local Spending and Support Plan.
- E. Owner or the Prime Contractor shall designate a Coordinator of Local Hiring and Services who will act as a liaison between all contractors and any individual or business residing in the County who is interested in obtaining information about (i) employment, or (ii) commercial services or supplies expected to be purchased by a contractor. Such Coordinator of Local Hiring and Services need not be located in the County.
- F. Owner or the Prime Contractor shall hold a job and contracting information session prior to beginning physical construction of the Project at which information will be provided regarding the construction and hiring needs of the Project. Such information also will be provided on a continuing basis through the Coordinator of Local Hiring and Services.
- G. Within ninety (90) days following the COD, Owner shall provide the County with a written report showing its compliance with the requirement set forth in this Local Spending and

Support Plan. For every year during the Term after the COD, Owner, its contractors, their respective affiliates, or service providers engaged to provide goods or services in connection with the operation of the Improvements will collectively employ in the County at least the requisite number of full time Project employees specified in Section XVI(B) of the Agreement.

**Attachment C**

<b>Owner's Annual Reporting and Compliance Form</b>		
Pursuant to Section VI(B) of the Agreement, this form shall be submitted by Owner to the County Judge on or before March 31 of each Calendar Year beginning with the first Calendar Year of the Abatement Period. To the extent that any of the provisions herein conflict with the provisions in the Agreement, the provisions of the Agreement shall control.		
<b>Provision and Description</b>	<b>Compliance Guidelines</b>	<b>Provision Complied With?</b>
		Yes (date complied with)/No/In Process (include explanation)
<u>Improvements and Reinvestment Zone</u> - Section III(A)	Owner constructed the Improvements on the Site as set forth in Section III(A).	
<u>Improvements and Reinvestment Zone</u> - Section III(C)	Owner commenced construction of the Improvements and the Project achieved Commercial Operations as required by the timelines.	
<u>Representations</u> - Section V	<p>Owner has made all required filings with the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accountants and other governmental entities concerning the Agreement.</p> <p>Note: Any filings made during the course of the prior year by Owner which pertain to the Agreement should be listed here.</p>	
<u>Assignment</u> - Section IX	Describe any instances in which the Agreement was duly assigned or transferred in accordance with Section IX of the Agreement.	
<u>Local Spending Plan</u> - Attachment B, Section A	Within 90 days following the COD, Owner provided the County with a written project summary showing its good faith and commercially reasonable efforts to comply with the requirements set forth in the Local Spending and Support Plan (in the form of Attachment B) including proof that Owner used commercially reasonable efforts to utilize County labor by conducting a job and contracting information session within 30 days of beginning physical construction of the Project (per Attachment B, Section E)	
	Owner or the Prime Contractor designated a Coordinator of Local Hiring Services	

<u>Local Spending Plan</u> – Attachment B, Section D	who acted as a liaison to residents of the County.	
<u>Full-time Project Jobs</u> – Section XVI(B) and Attachment B, Section F	For every year during the Term, Owner, its contractors, their respective affiliates, or service providers engaged to provide goods or services in connection with the operation of the Improvements have collectively employed at least the requisite number of full-time Project employees as described in Section XVI(B).	