## ABUNDANT SOLAR POWER (SK1) LLC

### **SEQRA RESOLUTION**

(3101-19-12A)

At a regular meeting of the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") convened in public session on December 10, 2019, at 8:00 a.m. at 333 W. Washington Street, Syracuse, New York, the following members were:

#### PRESENT:

Patrick Hogan
Janice Herzog
Victor Ianno
Steve Morgan
Susan Stanczyk
Kevin Ryan
Fanny Villarreal

#### **ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Robert M. Petrovich, Executive Director

Anthony P. Rivizzigno, Esq., Agency Counsel Jeffrey W. Davis, Esq., Agency Counsel Amanda M. Mirabito, Esq., Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Janice Herzog, seconded by Victor Ianno, to wit:

RESOLUTION OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DETERMINING THAT A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR ABUNDANT SOLAR POWER (SK1) LLC WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

WHEREAS, Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 564 of the 1970 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of manufacturing, warehousing, research, commercial and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

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

WHEREAS, Abundant Solar Power (SK1) LLC, a New York limited liability company (the "Company"), has submitted an application (the "Application"), on behalf of itself and entities formed or to be formed on its behalf, to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requests that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company and/or entities formed or to be formed on its behalf, said Project consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in a portion of an approximately 72 acre parcel of land located at 1676 Old Seneca Turnpike (tax map no. 030-.02-04.0) in the Town of Skaneateles, Onondaga County, New York (the "Land"); (2) the construction on the Land of an approximately 7 acre solar power electric generating photo-voltaic plant; (the "Facility"); and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (subject to certain statutory limitations) (the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency previously has adopted a Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the "UTEP"); and

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the Agency enter into a payment in lieu of tax agreement (the "Proposed PILOT Agreement") with respect to the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency is required to make a determination with respect to the environmental impact of any "action" (as defined by SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency and the approval of the Project and grant of Financial Assistance constitute such an action; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Company has prepared and submitted to the Agency an Environmental Assessment Form (the "EAF"), a copy of which is on file in the office of the Agency and is readily accessible to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Skaneateles Town Board ("Town Board") previously classified the Project as a Type I action under SEQRA and declared its intent to act as lead agency for the purpose of conducting a coordinated environmental review of the Project; and

WHEREAS, after conducting a thorough review of the Project and its potential effects, the Town Board determined that the Project would not result in any significant adverse

environmental impacts and issued a negative declaration for the Project on October 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's involvement in the Project was not contemplated when the Town Board performed the coordinated SEQRA review and issued the negative declaration for the Project; and

WHEREAS, had the Agency's involvement been known at the time the Town Board declared its intent to act as lead agency for the coordinated review of the Project, the Agency would have, as an involved agency, consented to the lead agency designation by the Town Board and been bound by the negative declaration that was issued for the Project; and

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

- (1) Based upon an examination of the EAF prepared by the Company, the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c), and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project Facility, all the representations made by the Company in connection with the Project, and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project pursuant to SEQRA:
- (a) The Project consists of the components described above in the third WHEREAS clause of this resolution;
- (b) The Project constitutes a "Type I" action (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA);
- (c) The Agency, in recognition of the fact that it would have been an involved agency and consented to the Town Board's lead agency status, hereby reaffirms, accepts and adopts the negative declaration that was issued by the Town Board for the Project, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which shall be filed in the office of the Agency in a file that is readily accessible to the public;
- (2) A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

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

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Patrick Hogan	X		
Janice Herzog	X		
Victor Ianno	X		
Steve Morgan	X		
Susan Stanczyk	X		
Kevin Ryan	X		
Fanny Villarreal	X		

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on December 10, 2019, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matter therein referred to.

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

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

(SEAL)

Robert M. Petrovich, Executive Director

# Exhibit A