
**FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND
SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT**

Between

GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

and

PROJECT BOLT

Dated as of [●], 2024

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FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT**

As permitted under Section 12-44-55(B), Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “Code”), the parties have agreed to waive the requirements of Section 12-44-55 of the Code. The following is a summary of the key provisions of this Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement. This summary is inserted for convenience only and does not constitute a part of this Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement or a summary compliant with Section 12-44-55 of the Code.

Company Name:	[●]	Project Name:	Project Bolt
Projected Investment:	\$50,000,000	Projected Jobs:	0
Location (street):	[●]	Tax Map No.:	[●]
1. FILOT			
Required Investment:	\$40,000,000		
Investment Period:	5 years	Ordinance No./Date:	No. [●] / [●], 2024
Assessment Ratio:	6%	Term (years):	30 years
Fixed Millage:	313.3 mills	Net Present Value (if yes, discount rate):	N/A
Clawback information:	FILOT terminated retroactively and prospectively if the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement is not met by the end of the Standard Investment Period.		
2. MCIP			
Included in an MCIP:	Yes		
If yes, Name & Date:	[Agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park (2010 Park) dated as of December 1, 2010, as amended, between Greenville County, South Carolina and Anderson County, South Carolina]		
3. SSRC			
Total Amount:	Variable		
No. of Years	Each year during the Exemption Period.		
Yearly Increments:	Variable SSRC Amount		
Clawback information:	SSRC terminated retroactively and prospectively if the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement is not met by the end of the Standard Investment Period.		
4. Other information	N/A		

FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT (the “*Fee Agreement*”) is made and entered into as of [●], 2024 by and between **GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA** (the “*County*”), a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina (the “*State*”), acting by and through the Greenville County Council (the “*County Council*”) as the governing body of the County, and a company identified for the time being as **PROJECT BOLT** (the “*Company*”).

RECITALS

1. Title 12, Chapter 44 (the “*FILOT Act*”), Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the “*Code*”), authorizes the County to (a) induce industries to locate in the State; (b) encourage industries now located in the State to expand their investments and thus make use of and employ manpower, products, and other resources of the State; and (c) enter into a fee agreement with entities meeting the requirements of the FILOT Act, which identifies certain property of such entities as economic development property and provides for the payment of a fee in lieu of tax with respect to such property.

2. Sections 4-1-170 and 12-44-70 of the Code authorize the County to provide special source revenue credit (“*Special Source Revenue Credit*”) financing secured by and payable solely from revenues of the County derived from payments in lieu of taxes for the purposes set forth in Section 4-29-68 of the Code, namely: the defraying of the cost of designing, acquiring, constructing, improving, or expanding the infrastructure serving the County and for improved and unimproved real estate, and personal property, including but not limited to machinery and equipment, used in the operation of a manufacturing facility or commercial enterprise in order to enhance the economic development of the County (collectively, “*Infrastructure*”).

3. The Company (as a Sponsor, within the meaning of the FILOT Act) desires to provide for the development, installation, and/or operation of a new solar energy generation facility, which may include a battery energy storage facility, at one or more locations in the County (as such term is further defined herein, the “*Project*”).

4. Based on information supplied by the Company, the County Council has evaluated the Project based on relevant criteria that include, but are not limited to, the purposes the Project is to accomplish, the anticipated dollar amount and nature of the investment, employment to be created or maintained, and the anticipated costs and benefits to the County. Pursuant to Section 12-44-40(I)(1) of the FILOT Act, the County finds that: (a) the Project is anticipated to benefit the general public welfare of the County by providing services, employment, recreation, or other public benefits not otherwise adequately provided locally; (b) the Project will give rise to no pecuniary liability of the County or any incorporated municipality therein and to no charge against their general credit or taxing powers; (c) the purposes to be accomplished by the Project are proper governmental and public purposes; and (d) the benefits of the Project are greater than the costs.

5. The Project is located, or, if not so located as of the date of this Fee Agreement, the County intends to use its best efforts to so locate the Project, in a joint county industrial or business park created with an adjoining county in the State pursuant to agreement entered into pursuant to Section 4-1-170 of the Code and Article VIII, Section 13(D) of the South Carolina Constitution.

6. By enactment of an Ordinance on [●], 2024, the County Council has authorized the County to enter into this Fee Agreement with the Company which classifies the Project as Economic Development Property under the FILOT Act and provides for the payment of fees in lieu of taxes and the provision of

Special Source Revenue Credits to reimburse the Company for payment of the cost of certain Infrastructure in connection with the Project, all as further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the respective representations and agreements hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 Definitions

The terms that this Article defines shall for all purposes of this Fee Agreement have the meanings herein specified, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

“Abandonment” shall mean the failure of the Company to achieve Substantial Energy Generation at the Project for a period of one (1) year after (a) the Project has been placed in service, provided that neither of the following conditions are true: (i) such failure was caused by a Force Majeure event which required the Company to make significant repairs to the Project, and the Company has diligently begun work on said repairs; or (ii) the Company has commenced retrofitting, repowering, or otherwise rebuilding the Project by exchanging all, or substantially all, of the fixtures, equipment, and/or associated improvements comprising the Project for new, more advance equipment; or, (b) the termination of all leases governing the Land.

“Administration Expenses” shall mean the reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the County with respect to this Fee Agreement, including without limitation reasonable attorney fees; provided, however, that no such expense shall be considered an Administration Expense until the County has furnished to the Company a statement in writing indicating the amount of such expense and the reason it has been or will be incurred.

“Affiliate” shall mean any corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other entity which directly or indirectly owns all or part of the Company (or with respect to a Sponsor Affiliate, such Sponsor Affiliate) or which is directly or indirectly owned in whole or in part by the Company (or with respect to a Sponsor Affiliate, such Sponsor Affiliate) or by any partner, shareholder or owner of the Company (or with respect to a Sponsor Affiliate, such Sponsor Affiliate), as well as any subsidiary, affiliate, individual or entity who bears a relationship to the Company (or with respect to a Sponsor Affiliate, such Sponsor Affiliate), as described in Section 267(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Code” shall mean the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended.

“Commencement Date” shall mean the last day of the property tax year during which the Project or the first Phase thereof is placed in service, which date shall not be later than the last day of the property tax year which is three (3) years from the year in which the County and the Company enter into this Fee Agreement.

“Company” shall mean a company identified for the time being as Project Bolt, and any surviving, resulting, or transferee entity in any merger, consolidation, or transfer of assets; or any other person or entity which may succeed to the rights and duties of the Company.

“Condemnation Event” shall mean any act of taking by a public or quasi-public authority through condemnation, reverse condemnation or eminent domain.

“Contract Minimum Investment Requirement” shall mean, with respect to the Project, investment by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates of at least \$40,000,000, in the aggregate, in Economic Development Property subject (non-exempt) to *ad valorem* taxation (in the absence of this Fee Agreement).

“Cost to Decommission” shall mean an amount equal to Gross Decommissioning Costs, minus Total Salvage Value.

“County” shall mean Greenville County, South Carolina, a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State, its successors and assigns, acting by and through the County Council as the governing body of the County.

“County Administrator” shall mean the Greenville County Administrator, or the person holding any successor office of the County.

“County Assessor” shall mean the Greenville County Assessor, or the person holding any successor office of the County.

“County Auditor” shall mean the Greenville County Auditor, or the person holding any successor office of the County.

“County Council” shall mean Greenville County Council, the governing body of the County.

“County Treasurer” shall mean the Greenville County Treasurer, or the person holding any successor office of the County.

“Credit Eligible Entity” or “Credit Eligible Entities” shall have the meaning set forth for such terms in Section 4.02(a) hereof.

“Decommission” or “Decommissioning” shall mean the removal and proper disposal (including reuse and/or recycling) of all Equipment comprising the Project, stabilization and rehabilitation of the Land, and the restoration of the Land to a condition substantially similar to its original state.

“Decommissioning Security” shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 5.15 hereof.

“Defaulting Entity” shall have the meaning set forth for such term in Section 6.02(a) hereof.

“Department” shall mean the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

“Diminution in Value” in respect of the Project shall mean any reduction in the value, using the original fair market value (without regard to depreciation) as determined in Step 1 of Section 4.01 of this Fee Agreement, of the items which constitute a part of the Project and which are subject to FILOT Payments which may be caused by the Company’s or any Sponsor Affiliate’s removal and/or disposal of components of the Project pursuant to Section 4.04 hereof, or by its election to remove components of the Project as a result of any damage or destruction or any Condemnation Event with respect thereto.

“Economic Development Property” shall mean those items of real and tangible personal property of the Project which are eligible for inclusion as economic development property under the FILOT Act and this Fee Agreement, and selected and identified by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate in its annual filing of a SCDOR PT-300S or comparable form with the Department (as such filing may be amended from time to time) for each year within the Investment Period.

“Equipment” shall mean machinery, equipment, furniture, office equipment, and other tangible personal property, together with any and all additions, accessions, replacements, and substitutions thereto or therefor.

“Event of Default” shall mean any event of default specified in Section 6.01 hereof.

“Exemption Period” shall mean the period beginning on the first day of the property tax year after the property tax year in which an applicable portion of Economic Development Property is placed in service and ending on the Termination Date. In case there are Phases of the Project, the Exemption Period applies to each year’s investment made during the Investment Period.

“Existing Decommissioning Securities” shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 5.15 hereof.

“Fee Agreement” shall mean this Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement.

“FILOT” or **“FILOT Payments”** shall mean the amount paid or to be paid in lieu of *ad valorem* property taxes as provided herein.

“FILOT Act” shall mean Title 12, Chapter 44, of the Code, and all future acts successor or supplemental thereto or amendatory thereof.

“FILOT Act Minimum Investment Requirement” shall mean, with respect to the Project, an investment of at least \$2,500,000 by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, individually, as the case may be, or, alternatively, of at least \$5,000,000 by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, in the aggregate, in Economic Development Property.

“Final Output” shall mean, with respect to each tax year corresponding to each property tax year during the Exemption Period, the final power output capacity of the Project, as reported to the County pursuant to Section 4.02(c) hereof, measured in megawatts of AC power, to the hundredth decimal point.

“Flat Payment Amount” shall mean, with respect to each tax year corresponding to each property tax year during the Exemption Period, the dollar amount derived by (i) multiplying the Final Output, (ii) by the Output Multiplier. In no case shall the Flat Payment Amount be less than the Minimum Fee Amount.

“Force Majeure” shall mean: strikes; accidents; freight embargoes; inability to obtain materials; wind, fire, floods, hail, earthquakes, explosions or other natural disasters; conditions arising from government orders, war, or national emergency; acts of God; and, any other event, similar or dissimilar, beyond the reasonable control of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate.

“Future Land Development Regulations” shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 5.14 hereof.

“Gross Decommissioning Costs” shall mean all costs associated with the Decommission of the Project; provided, however, the term “Gross Decommissioning Costs” shall not include the following: (i) re-grading the Land beyond the removal of any access roads; (ii) replanting of trees and crops removed by the Project; and (iii) the cost of removing any equipment, fixtures or improvements owned by any electric utility who owns, controls, and/or operates the electrical grid to which the Project is connected.

“Improvements” shall mean improvements to the Land, including buildings, building additions, roads, sewer lines, and infrastructure, together with any and all additions, fixtures, accessions, replacements, and substitutions thereto or therefor.

“Infrastructure” shall mean infrastructure serving the County and improved or unimproved real estate and personal property, including machinery and equipment, used in the operation of the Project, within the meaning of Section 4-29-68 of the Code.

“Investment Period” shall mean, and shall be equal to, the Standard Investment Period, unless extended pursuant to Section 12-44-30(13) of the FILOT Act.

“Land” means the land upon which the Project will be located, as described in Exhibit A attached hereto, as Exhibit A may be supplemented from time to time in accordance with Section 3.01(c) hereof.

“MCIP” shall mean (i) the joint county industrial park established pursuant to the terms of the MCIP Agreement and (ii) any joint county industrial park created pursuant to a successor park agreement delivered by the County and a partner county in accordance with Section 4-1-170 of the MCIP Act, or any successor provision, with respect to the Project.

“MCIP Act” shall mean Title 4, Chapter 1, of the Code, and all future acts successor or supplemental thereto or amendatory thereof.

“MCIP Agreement” shall mean the [**Agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park (2010 Park) dated as of December 1, 2010, as amended, between the County and Anderson County, South Carolina,**] as the same may be further amended or supplemented from time to time, or such other agreement as the County may enter with respect to the Project to offer the benefits of the Special Source Credits to the Company hereunder.

“Minimum Fee Amount” shall mean \$211,200.00.

“Output Multiplier” shall mean \$4,800.00 per megawatt of AC power.

“Phase” or **“Phases”** in respect of the Project shall mean that the components of the Project are placed in service during more than one year during the Investment Period, and the word “Phase” shall therefore refer to the applicable portion of the Project placed in service in a given year during the Investment Period.

“Project” shall mean the Land and all the Equipment and Improvements now or hereafter located on or about the Land that the Company determines to be necessary, suitable or useful for the purposes described in Section 2.02(b) hereof, to the extent determined by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliate to be a part of the Project and placed in service during the Investment Period, and any Replacement Property. Notwithstanding anything in this Fee Agreement to the contrary, the Project shall not include property which will not qualify for the FILOT pursuant to Section 12-44-110 of the FILOT Act, including without limitation property which has been subject to *ad valorem* taxation in the State prior to commencement of the Investment Period; provided, however, the Project may include (a) modifications

which constitute an expansion of the real property portion of the Project, (b) property described in Section 12-44-110(3) of the FILOT Act to the extent the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates invest at least an additional \$45,000,000 in the Project, exclusive of such described property, and (c) the property allowed pursuant to Section 12-44-110(2) of the FILOT Act.

“Removed Components” shall mean components of the Project or portions thereof which the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, in its sole discretion, elects to remove from the Project pursuant to Section 4.04 hereof or as a result of any Condemnation Event.

“Replacement Property” shall mean any property which is placed in service as a replacement for any item of Equipment or any Improvement previously subject to this Fee Agreement regardless of whether such property serves the same functions as the property it is replacing and regardless of whether more than one piece of property replaces any item of Equipment or any Improvement to the fullest extent that the FILOT Act permits.

“Site Plan” shall mean the site plan attached hereto as Exhibit D and incorporated herein by reference.

“Special Source Credits” shall mean the annual special source revenue credits provided to the Company pursuant to Section 4.02 hereof.

“Sponsor Affiliate” shall mean an entity that joins with the Company and that participates in the investment in, or financing of, the Project and which meets the requirements under the FILOT Act to be entitled to the benefits of this Fee Agreement with respect to its participation in the Project, all as set forth in Section 5.13 hereof. As of the date of the original execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement, the only Sponsor Affiliates are [●].

“Standard Investment Period” shall mean the period beginning with the first day of any purchase or acquisition of Economic Development Property and ending five (5) years after the Commencement Date.

“State” shall mean the State of South Carolina.

“State Decommissioning Requirements” shall mean those portions of S.C. Code of Regulations R. Sec. 61-107.20, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit E and incorporated herein by reference, related to Decommissioning, and in effect as of the original execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement.

“Substantial Energy Generation” shall mean the generation and delivery of electricity by the Project to the power grid.

“Termination Date” shall mean, with respect to each Phase of the Project, the end of the last day of the property tax year which is the 29th year following the first property tax year in which such Phase of the Project is placed in service; provided, that the intention of the parties is that the Company will make at least 30 annual FILOT Payments under Article IV hereof with respect to each Phase of the Project; and provided further, that if this Fee Agreement is terminated earlier in accordance with the terms hereof, the Termination Date shall mean the date of such termination.

“Total Salvage Value” shall mean the actual salvage value for all equipment, fixtures, and other tangible personal property, together with any and all Equipment comprising the Project, utilizing current U.S. salvage exchange rates.

“Transfer Provisions” shall mean the provisions of Section 12-44-120 of the FILOT Act, as amended or supplemented from time to time, concerning, among other things, the necessity of obtaining County consent to certain transfers.

“Variable SSRC Amount” shall mean, with respect to each tax year corresponding to each property tax year during the Exemption Period (i.e., tax year 2027 corresponds to the property tax year ending December 31, 2028), the aggregate dollar amount of the Special Source Credits provided by the County to the Credit Eligible Entities, which such amount shall be equal to the amount by which the aggregate FILOT Payment due from all Credit Eligible Entities with respect to such tax year exceeds the Flat Payment Amount.

Any reference to any agreement or document in this Article I or otherwise in this Fee Agreement shall include any and all amendments, supplements, addenda, and modifications to such agreement or document.

Section 1.02 Project-Related Investments

The term “investment” or “invest” as used herein shall include not only investments made by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, but also to the fullest extent permitted by law, those investments made by or for the benefit of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate with respect to the Project through federal, state, or local grants, to the extent such investments are subject to *ad valorem* taxes, FILOT Payments, or payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to the MCIP Act, as the case may be, by the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate.

[End of Article I]

ARTICLE II

REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, AND AGREEMENTS

Section 2.01 Representations, Warranties, and Agreements of the County

The County hereby represents, warrants, and agrees as follows:

(a) The County is a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State and acts through the County Council as its governing body. The County has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement and any and all other agreements described herein or therein and has obtained all consents from third parties and taken all actions necessary or that the law requires to fulfill its obligations hereunder.

(b) Based upon representations by the Company, the Project constitutes a “project” within the meaning of the FILOT Act.

(c) The County has agreed that each item of real and tangible personal property comprising the Project which is eligible to be economic development property under the FILOT Act and that the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate selects shall be considered Economic Development Property and is thereby exempt from *ad valorem* taxation in the State.

(d) The millage rate set forth in Step 3 of Section 4.01(a) hereof is 313.3 mills, which is the millage rate in effect with respect to the location of the proposed Project as of June 30, 2023, as permitted under Section 12-44-50(A)(1)(d) of the FILOT Act.

(e) The County will use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Project to be located in a MCIP for a term extending at least until the end of the period of FILOT Payments against which a Special Source Credit is to be provided under this Fee Agreement.

Section 2.02 Representations, Warranties, and Agreements of the Company

The Company hereby represents, warrants, and agrees as follows:

(a) The Company is organized and in good standing under the laws of the State of [●], is duly authorized to transact business in the State, has power to enter into this Fee Agreement, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement.

(b) The Company intends to operate the Project as a “project” within the meaning of the FILOT Act as in effect on the date hereof. The Company intends to operate the Project primarily for solar energy generation, including, without limitation, associated energy storage facilities, and other related activities, and for such other purposes that the FILOT Act permits as the Company may deem appropriate.

(c) The execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement by the County has been instrumental in inducing the Company to locate the Project in the County.

(d) The Company, together with any Sponsor Affiliates, will use commercially reasonable efforts to meet, or cause to be met the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement within the Standard Investment Period.

[End of Article II]

ARTICLE III

COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT

Section 3.01 The Project

(a) The Company intends and expects, together with any Sponsor Affiliate, to (i) construct and acquire the Project, and (ii) meet the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement within the Standard Investment Period. The Company anticipates that the first Phase of the Project will be placed in service during the calendar year ending December 31, 20[●].

(b) Pursuant to the FILOT Act and subject to Section 4.03 hereof, the Company and the County hereby agree that the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall identify annually those assets which are eligible for FILOT Payments under the FILOT Act and this Fee Agreement, and which the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate selects for such treatment by listing such assets in its annual PT-300S form (or comparable form) to be filed with the Department (as such may be amended from time to time) and that by listing such assets, such assets shall automatically become Economic Development Property and therefore be exempt from all *ad valorem* taxation during the Exemption Period. Anything contained in this Fee Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall not be obligated to complete the acquisition of the Project. However, if the Company, together with any Sponsor Affiliates, does not meet the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement within the Standard Investment Period, the provisions of Section 4.03 hereof shall control.

(c) The Company may add to the Land such real property, located in the same taxing district in the County as the original Land, as the Company, in its discretion, deems useful or desirable. In such event, the Company, at its expense, shall deliver an appropriately revised Exhibit A to this Fee Agreement, in form reasonably acceptable to the County.

Section 3.02 Diligent Completion

The Company agrees to use its reasonable efforts to cause the completion of the Project as soon as practicable, but in any event on or prior to the end of the Investment Period.

Section 3.03 Filings and Reports

(a) Each year during the term of the Fee Agreement, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall deliver to the County, the County Auditor, the County Assessor and the County Treasurer a copy of their most recent annual filings with the Department with respect to the Project, not later than thirty (30) days following delivery thereof to the Department.

(b) The Company shall cause a copy of this Fee Agreement, as well as a copy of the completed Form PT-443 of the Department, to be filed with the County Auditor and the County Assessor, and to their counterparts in the partner county to the MCIP Agreement, the County Administrator and the Department within thirty (30) days after the date of execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement by all parties hereto.

(c) Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates agree to maintain complete books and records accounting for the acquisition, financing, construction, and operation of the Project. Such books and records shall (i) permit ready identification of the various Phases and components thereof; (ii) confirm the dates on which each Phase was placed in service; and (iii) include copies of all filings made

by the Company and any such Sponsor Affiliates in accordance with Section 3.03(a) or (b) above with respect to property placed in service as part of the Project.

[End of Article III]

ARTICLE IV
FILOT PAYMENTS

Section 4.01 FILOT Payments

(a) Pursuant to Section 12-44-50 of the FILOT Act, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, as applicable, are required to make FILOT Payments to the County with respect to the Economic Development Property. Inasmuch as the Company anticipates an initial investment of sums sufficient for the Project to qualify for a FILOT arrangement under Section 12-44-50(A)(1) of the FILOT Act, the County and the Company have negotiated the amount of the FILOT Payments in accordance therewith. The Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, as applicable, shall make FILOT Payments on all Economic Development Property which comprises the Project and is placed in service, as follows: the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, as applicable, shall make FILOT Payments during the Exemption Period with respect to the Economic Development Property or, if there are Phases of the Economic Development Property, with respect to each Phase of the Economic Development Property, said payments to be made annually and to be due and payable and subject to penalty assessments on the same dates and in the same manner as prescribed by the County for *ad valorem* taxes. The determination of the amount of such annual FILOT Payments shall be in accordance with the following procedure (subject, in any event, to the procedures required by the FILOT Act):

Step 1: Determine the fair market value of the Economic Development Property (or Phase of the Economic Development Property) placed in service during the Exemption Period using original income tax basis for State income tax purposes for any real property and Improvements without regard to depreciation (provided, the fair market value of real property, as the FILOT Act defines such term, that the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates obtains by construction or purchase in an arms-length transaction is equal to the original income tax basis, and otherwise, the determination of the fair market value is by appraisal) and original income tax basis for State income tax purposes for any personal property less depreciation for each year allowable for property tax purposes, except that no extraordinary obsolescence shall be allowable. The fair market value of the real property and Improvements for the first year of the Exemption Period remains the fair market value of the real property and Improvements for the life of the Exemption Period. The determination of these values shall take into account all applicable property tax exemptions that State law would allow to the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates if the property were taxable, except those exemptions that Section 12-44-50(A)(2) of the FILOT Act specifically disallows.

Step 2: Apply an assessment ratio of six percent (6%) to the fair market value in Step 1 to establish the taxable value of the Economic Development Property (or each Phase of the Economic Development Property) in the year it is placed in service and in each of the 29 years thereafter.

Step 3: Use a fixed millage rate of 313.3 mills during the Exemption Period against the taxable value to determine the amount of the FILOT Payments due during the Exemption Period on the applicable payment dates.

(b) In the event that a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction from which no further appeal is allowable declares the FILOT Act and/or the herein-described FILOT Payments invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, for any reason, the parties express their intentions to reform such payments so as to effectuate most closely the intent thereof (without increasing the amount of incentives being afforded herein) and so as to afford the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates with the benefits to be derived herefrom, the intention of the County being to offer the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates a strong inducement to locate the Project in the County. If the Economic Development Property is deemed

to be subject to *ad valorem* taxation, this Fee Agreement shall terminate, and the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall pay the County regular *ad valorem* taxes or payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to the MCIP Act, as the case may be, from the date of termination, but with appropriate reductions equivalent to all tax exemptions which are afforded to the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates. Any amount determined to be due and owing to the County from the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates, with respect to a year or years for which the Company or such Sponsor Affiliates previously remitted FILOT Payments to the County hereunder, shall (i) take into account all applicable tax exemptions to which the Company or such Sponsor Affiliates would be entitled if the Economic Development Property was not and had not been Economic Development Property under the FILOT Act; and (ii) be reduced by the total amount of FILOT Payments the Company or such Sponsor Affiliates had made with respect to the Project pursuant to the terms hereof.

Section 4.02 Special Source Credits

(a) In accordance with and pursuant to Section 12-44-70 of the FILOT Act and Section 4-1-175 of the MCIP Act, in order to reimburse the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates for qualifying capital expenditures incurred for costs of the Infrastructure during the Standard Investment Period, the Company and each Sponsor Affiliate (each, a “**Credit Eligible Entity**”, and collectively, the “**Credit Eligible Entities**”) shall be entitled to receive, and the County agrees to provide, annual aggregate Special Source Credits against each FILOT Payment due from each Credit Eligible Entity for each tax year corresponding to each property tax year during the Exemption Period (i.e., tax year 2027 corresponds to the property tax year ending December 31, 2028) with respect to the Project (that is, with respect to investment made by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates in the Project during the Standard Investment Period), in an annual aggregate amount equal to the Variable SSRC Amount; provided that (i) the aggregate annual Special Source Credits to which the Credit Eligible Entities are entitled for a tax year shall be (a) applied initially against any FILOT Payments due for such tax year from any Sponsor Affiliates, and then secondarily and residually against any FILOT Payment due for such tax year from the Company, and (b) calculated and applied after payment of the amount due the non-host county under the MCIP Agreement, and (ii) in the event the aggregate FILOT Payment due from all Credit Eligible Entities for any applicable tax year corresponding to a property tax year during the Exemption Period is equal to or less than the Minimum Fee Amount, then no Special Source Credits shall be provided to the Credit Eligible Entities for such tax year.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, under no circumstances shall any Credit Eligible Entity be entitled to claim or receive any abatement of *ad valorem* taxes for any portion of the investment in the Project for which a Special Source Credit is taken.

(c) In no event shall the aggregate amount of all Special Source Credits claimed by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates exceed the amount expended with respect to the Infrastructure at any point in time. In connection with its receipt of the Special Source Credits set forth in Section 4.02(a) hereof, the Company shall be responsible for making written annual certification as to (i) compliance with the provisions of the preceding sentence and (ii) Final Output through the delivery of a certification in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C.

(d) Should the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement not be met by the end of the Standard Investment Period, any Special Source Credits otherwise payable under this Fee Agreement shall no longer be payable by the County, and each Credit Eligible Entity shall be retroactively liable to the County for the amount of the Special Source Credits previously received by each such Credit Eligible Entity, plus interest at the rate payable for late payment of taxes. Any amounts determined to be owing pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall be payable to the County on or before the one hundred twentieth (120th) day following the last day of the Standard Investment Period.

(e) As provided in Section 4-29-68 of the Code, to the extent any Special Source Credit is taken against any FILOT Payment on personal property, and the personal property is removed from the Project at any time during the term of this Fee Agreement (and not replaced with qualifying Replacement Property), the amount of the FILOT Payment due on such personal property for the year in which such personal property was removed from the Project shall be due for the two (2) years immediately following such removal.

(f) Each annual Special Source Credit shall be reflected by the County Auditor or other authorized County official or representative on each bill for FILOT Payments sent to each Credit Eligible Entity by the County for each applicable property tax year, by reducing such FILOT Payments otherwise due by the amount of the Special Source Credit to be provided to such Credit Eligible Entity for such property tax year.

(g) The Special Source Credits are payable solely from the FILOT Payments, are not secured by, or in any way entitled to, a pledge of the full faith, credit or taxing power of the County, are not an indebtedness of the County within the meaning of any State constitutional provision or statutory limitation, are payable solely from a special source that does not include revenues from any tax or license, and are not a pecuniary liability of the County or a charge against the general credit or taxing power of the County.

Section 4.03 Failure to Achieve Contract Minimum Investment Requirement

(a) In the event the Company, together with any Sponsor Affiliates, fails to meet the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement by the end of the Standard Investment Period, this Fee Agreement shall terminate and the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates shall pay the County an amount which is equal to the excess, if any, of (i) the total amount of *ad valorem* taxes as would theretofore result from taxes levied on the Project by the County, municipality or municipalities, school district or school districts, and other political units as if the items of property comprising the Economic Development Property were not Economic Development Property, but with appropriate reductions equivalent to all tax exemptions and abatements to which the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates would be entitled in such a case, through and including the end of the Standard Investment Period, over (ii) the sum of the amount of FILOT Payments the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates have theretofore made with respect to the Economic Development Property (after taking into account any Special Source Credits theretofore received) for the period through and including the end of the Standard Investment Period. Any amounts determined to be owing pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall be payable to the County on or before the one hundred twentieth (120th) day following the last day of the Standard Investment Period.

(b) As a condition to the FILOT benefit provided herein, the Company agrees to provide the County Administrator, the County Assessor, the County Auditor and the County Treasurer with an annual certification as to investment in the Project. Such certification shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, and, following the Commencement Date, shall be due no later than the May 1 following the immediately preceding December 31 of each year during the Investment Period.

Section 4.04 Removal of Project Components

Subject, always, to the other terms and provisions of this Fee Agreement, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall be entitled to remove and dispose of components of the Project from the Project in its sole discretion with the result that said components shall no longer be considered a part of the Project and, to the extent such components constitute Economic Development Property, shall no longer be subject to the terms of this Fee Agreement. Economic Development Property is disposed of only when it is scrapped or sold or removed from the Project. If it is removed from the Project, it is subject to *ad valorem* property taxes or payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to the MCIP Act, as the case may be, to the

extent such removed property remains in the State and is otherwise subject to *ad valorem* property taxes or payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to the MCIP Act, as the case may be.

Section 4.05 FILOT Payments on Replacement Property

If the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate elects to replace any Removed Components and to substitute such Removed Components with Replacement Property as a part of the Economic Development Property, or the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate otherwise utilizes Replacement Property, then, pursuant and subject to the provisions of Section 12-44-60 of the FILOT Act, the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate shall make FILOT Payments with regard to such Replacement Property in accordance with the following:

(i) Replacement Property does not have to serve the same function as the Economic Development Property it is replacing. Replacement Property is deemed to replace the oldest Economic Development Property subject to the FILOT, whether real or personal, which is disposed of in the same property tax year in which the Replacement Property is placed in service. Replacement Property qualifies as Economic Development Property only to the extent of the original income tax basis of Economic Development Property which is being disposed of in the same property tax year. More than one piece of property can replace a single piece of Economic Development Property. To the extent that the income tax basis of the Replacement Property exceeds the original income tax basis of the Economic Development Property which it is replacing, the excess amount is subject to annual payments calculated as if the exemption for Economic Development Property were not allowable. Replacement Property is entitled to treatment under this Fee Agreement for the period of time remaining during the Exemption Period for the Economic Development Property which it is replacing; and

(ii) That portion of the Replacement Property in excess of the original income tax basis of Economic Development Property which is being disposed of in the same property tax year and which qualifies for the FILOT shall be recorded using its income tax basis, and the calculation of the FILOT shall utilize the millage rate and assessment ratio set forth in Section 4.01 hereof.

Section 4.06 Reductions in Payment of Taxes Upon Diminution in Value; Investment Maintenance Requirement

In the event of a Diminution in Value of the Economic Development Property, the FILOT Payment with regard to the Economic Development Property shall be reduced in the same proportion as the amount of such Diminution in Value bears to the original fair market value of the Economic Development Property as determined pursuant to Step 1 of Section 4.01(a) hereof; *provided, however*, that if at any time subsequent to the end of the Investment Period, the total value of the Project remaining in the County based on the original income tax basis thereof (that is, without regard to depreciation), is less than the FILOT Act Minimum Investment Requirement, then beginning with the first payment thereafter due hereunder and continuing until the Termination Date, the Project shall no longer be entitled to the incentive provided in Section 4.01 hereof, and the Company and any Sponsor Affiliate shall therefore commence to pay regular *ad valorem* taxes or payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to the MCIP Act, as the case may be, thereon, calculated as set forth in Section 4.01(b) hereof.

[End of Article IV]

ARTICLE V

PARTICULAR COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS

Section 5.01 Cessation of Operations

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Fee Agreement, each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates acknowledges and agrees that the County's obligation to provide the FILOT incentive may end, and this Fee Agreement may be terminated by the County, at the County's sole discretion, if the Company ceases operations at the Project; provided, however, that the Special Source Credits provided for in this Fee Agreement shall automatically terminate if the Company ceases operations as set forth in this Section 5.01. For purposes of this Section, "ceases operations" means failure of the Company to achieve Substantial Energy Generation at the Project for a continuous period of twelve (12) months following the end of the Investment Period, provided that neither of the following conditions are true: (i) such failure was caused by a Force Majeure event which required the Company to make significant repairs to the Project, and the Company has diligently begun work on said repairs; or, (ii) the Company has commenced retrofitting, repowering, or otherwise rebuilding the Project by exchanging all, or substantially all, of the fixtures, equipment, and/or associated improvements comprising the Project for new, more advanced equipment. The provisions of Section 4.03 hereof relating to retroactive payments shall apply, if applicable, if this Fee Agreement is terminated in accordance with this Section prior to the end of the Standard Investment Period. Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates agrees that if this Fee Agreement is terminated pursuant to this subsection, that under no circumstance shall the County be required to refund or pay any monies to the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates.

Section 5.02 Rights to Inspect

The Company agrees that the County and its authorized agents shall have the right at all reasonable times, and upon at least 5 business days' prior written notice to the Company, to enter upon and examine and inspect the Project. The County and its authorized agents shall also be permitted, at all reasonable times and upon prior reasonable notice, to have access to examine and inspect the Company's South Carolina property tax returns, as filed, with respect to the Project. The aforesaid rights of examination and inspection shall be exercised only upon such reasonable and necessary terms and conditions as the Company shall prescribe, and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 5.03 hereof.

Section 5.03 Confidentiality

The County acknowledges and understands that the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates may utilize confidential and proprietary processes and materials, services, equipment, trade secrets, and techniques (herein "**Confidential Information**"). In this regard, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates may clearly label any Confidential Information delivered to the County "Confidential Information." The County agrees that, except as required by law, neither the County nor any employee, agent, or contractor of the County shall disclose or otherwise divulge any such clearly labeled Confidential Information to any other person, firm, governmental body or agency, or any other entity unless specifically required to do so by law. Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates acknowledge that the County is subject to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, and, as a result, must disclose certain documents and information on request, absent an exemption. In the event that the County is required to disclose any Confidential Information obtained from the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates to any third party, the County agrees to provide the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates with as much advance notice as is reasonably possible of such requirement before making such disclosure, and to cooperate reasonably with any attempts by the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates to obtain judicial or other relief from such disclosure requirement.

Section 5.04 Limitation of County's Liability

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, any financial obligation the County may incur hereunder, including for the payment of money, shall not be deemed to constitute a pecuniary liability or a debt or general obligation of the County (it being intended herein that any obligations of the County with respect to the Special Source Credits shall be payable only from FILOT Payments received from or payable by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates); provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent the Company from enforcing its rights hereunder by suit for *mandamus* or specific performance.

Section 5.05 Mergers, Reorganizations and Equity Transfers

Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates acknowledges that any mergers, reorganizations or consolidations of the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates may cause the Project to become ineligible for negotiated fees in lieu of taxes under the FILOT Act absent compliance by the Company and such Sponsor Affiliates with the Transfer Provisions; provided that, to the extent provided by Section 12-44-120 of the FILOT Act or any successor provision, any financing arrangements entered into by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates with respect to the Project and any security interests granted by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates in connection therewith shall not be construed as a transfer for purposes of the Transfer Provisions. Notwithstanding anything in this Fee Agreement to the contrary, it is not intended in this Fee Agreement that the County shall impose transfer restrictions with respect to the Company, any Sponsor Affiliates or the Project as are any more restrictive than the Transfer Provisions.

Section 5.06 Indemnification Covenants

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Fee Agreement or in any other agreements with the County, the Company agrees to indemnify, defend and save the County, its County Council members, elected officials, officers, employees, servants and agents (collectively, the "***Indemnified Parties***") harmless against and from all claims with respect to the Project by or on behalf of any person, firm or corporation arising from the conduct or management of, or from any work or thing done on the Project or the Land by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, their members, officers, shareholders, employees, servants, contractors, and agents during the term of this Fee Agreement, and, the Company further, shall indemnify, defend and save the Indemnified Parties harmless against and from all claims with respect to the Project arising during the term of this Fee Agreement from (i) entering into and performing its obligations under this Fee Agreement, (ii) any condition of the Project, (iii) any breach or default on the part of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate in the performance of any of its obligations under this Fee Agreement, (iv) any act of negligence of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate or its agents, contractors, servants, employees or licensees, (v) any act of negligence of any assignee or lessee of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, or of any agents, contractors, servants, employees or licensees of any assignee or lessee of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, or (vi) any environmental violation, condition, or effect with respect to the Project. The Company shall indemnify, defend and save the County harmless from and against all costs and expenses incurred in or in connection with any such claim arising as aforesaid or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon, and upon notice from the County, the Company shall defend it in any such action, prosecution or proceeding with legal counsel acceptable to the County (the approval of which shall not be unreasonably withheld).

(b) Notwithstanding the fact that it is the intention of the parties that the Indemnified Parties shall not incur pecuniary liability by reason of the terms of this Fee Agreement, or the undertakings required of the County hereunder, by reason of the granting of the FILOT, by reason of the execution of this Fee Agreement, by the reason of the performance of any act requested of it by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, or by reason of the County's relationship to the Project or by the operation of the Project by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, including all claims, liabilities or losses arising in

connection with the violation of any statutes or regulations pertaining to the foregoing, nevertheless, if the County or any of the other Indemnified Parties should incur any such pecuniary liability, then in such event the Company shall indemnify, defend and hold them harmless against all claims by or on behalf of any person, firm or corporation, arising out of the same, and all costs and expenses incurred in connection with any such claim or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon, and upon notice, the Company shall defend them in any such action or proceeding with legal counsel acceptable to the County (the approval of which shall not be unreasonably withheld); provided, however, that such indemnity shall not apply to the extent that any such claim is attributable to (i) the grossly negligent acts or omissions or willful misconduct of the County, its agents, officers or employees, or (ii) any breach of this Fee Agreement by the County.

(c) Notwithstanding anything in this Fee Agreement to the contrary, the above-referenced covenants insofar as they pertain to costs, damages, liabilities or claims by any Indemnified Party resulting from any of the above-described acts of or failure to act by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, shall survive any termination of this Fee Agreement.

Section 5.07 Qualification in State

Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates warrant that it is duly qualified to do business in the State, and covenants that it will continue to be so qualified so long as it operates any portion of the Project.

Section 5.08 No Liability of County's Personnel

All covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the County contained herein shall be deemed to be covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the County and shall be binding upon any member of the County Council or any elected official, officer, agent, servant or employee of the County only in his or her official capacity and not in his or her individual capacity, and no recourse shall be had for the payment of any moneys hereunder against any member of the governing body of the County or any elected official, officer, agent, servants or employee of the County and no recourse shall be had against any member of the County Council or any elected official, officer, agent, servant or employee of the County for the performance of any of the covenants and agreements of the County herein contained or for any claims based thereon except solely in their official capacity.

Section 5.09 Assignment, Leases or Transfers

The County agrees that the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates may at any time (a) transfer all or any of their rights and interests under this Fee Agreement or with respect to all or any part of the Project, or (b) enter into any lending, financing, leasing, security, or similar arrangement or succession of such arrangements with any financing or other entity with respect to this Fee Agreement or all or any part of the Project, including without limitation any sale-leaseback, equipment lease, build-to-suit lease, synthetic lease, nordic lease, defeased tax benefit or transfer lease, assignment, sublease or similar arrangement or succession of such arrangements, regardless of the identity of the income tax owner of such portion of the Project, whereby the transferee in any such arrangement leases the portion of the Project in question to the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate or operates such assets for the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate or is leasing the portion of the Project in question from the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate. In order to preserve the FILOT and Special Source Credit benefits afforded hereunder with respect to any portion of the Project so transferred, leased, financed, or otherwise affected: (i) except in connection with any transfer to an Affiliate of the Company or of any Sponsor Affiliate, or transfers, leases, or financing arrangements pursuant to clause (b) above (as to which such transfers the County hereby consents), the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, as applicable, shall obtain the prior consent or

subsequent ratification of the County which consent or subsequent ratification may be granted by the County in its sole discretion; (ii) except when a financing entity which is the income tax owner of all or part of the Project is the transferee pursuant to clause (b) above and such financing entity assumes in writing the obligations of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, as the case may be, hereunder, or when the County consents in writing, no such transfer shall affect or reduce any of the obligations of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates hereunder; (iii) to the extent the transferee or financing entity shall become obligated to make FILOT Payments hereunder, the transferee shall assume the then current basis of, as the case may be, the Company or any Sponsor Affiliates (or prior transferee) in the portion of the Project transferred; (iv) the Company or applicable Sponsor Affiliate, transferee or financing entity shall, within sixty (60) days thereof, furnish or cause to be furnished to the County and the Department a true and complete copy of any such transfer agreement; and (v) the Company, the Sponsor Affiliates and the transferee shall comply with all other requirements of the Transfer Provisions.

Subject to County consent when required under this Section, and at the expense of the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, as the case may be, the County agrees to take such further action or execute such further agreements, documents, and instruments as may be reasonably required to effectuate the assumption by any such transferee of all or part of the rights of the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate under this Fee Agreement and/or any release of the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate pursuant to this Section.

The County acknowledges that, notwithstanding any of the terms of this Section or this Fee Agreement, the County has no right of consent or subsequent ratification to a change in the direct or indirect ownership of the Company.

Each of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates acknowledges that such a transfer of an interest under this Fee Agreement or in the Project may cause all or part of the Project to become ineligible for the FILOT benefit afforded hereunder or result in penalties under the FILOT Act absent compliance by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates with the Transfer Provisions.

Section 5.10 Administration Expenses

The Company agrees to pay any Administration Expenses to the County when and as they shall become due, but in no event later than the date which is the earlier of any payment date expressly provided for in this Fee Agreement or the date which is forty-five (45) days after receiving written notice from the County, accompanied by such supporting documentation as may be necessary to evidence the County's or Indemnified Party's right to receive such payment, specifying the nature of such expense and requesting payment of same. The parties hereto understand that: (i) the County has incurred, or will incur, legal fees and other expenses in connection with the original execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement, the MCIP Agreement, and all resolutions, ordinances, and other documentation related thereto, and that the Company's obligation to reimburse the County for such legal fees and other expenses, as set forth herein, shall be in the amount of \$6,000; and, (ii) in no event shall the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate be prospectively obligated to reimburse the County for Administration Expenses in excess of \$1,500, in the aggregate, in any year during the term of this Fee Agreement.

Section 5.11 Priority Lien Status

The County's right to receive FILOT Payments hereunder shall have a first priority lien status pursuant to Sections 12-44-90(E) and (F) of the FILOT Act and Chapters 4, 49, 51, 53, and 54 of Title 12 of the Code.

Section 5.12 Interest; Penalties

In the event the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate should fail to make any of the payments to the County required under this Fee Agreement, then the item or installment so in default shall continue as an obligation of the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate until the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate shall have fully paid the amount, and the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates agree, as applicable, to pay the same with interest thereon at a rate, unless expressly provided otherwise herein, compounded monthly, to accrue from the date on which the payment was due at the rate for non-payment of *ad valorem* taxes under State law and subject to the penalties the law provides until payment.

Section 5.13 Sponsor Affiliates

The Company may designate from time to time any Sponsor Affiliates pursuant to the provisions of Sections 12-44-30(20) and 12-44-130 of the FILOT Act, which Sponsor Affiliates shall join with the Company and make investments with respect to the Project, or participate in the financing of such investments, and shall agree to be bound by the terms and provisions of this Fee Agreement pursuant to the terms of a written joinder agreement with the County and the Company, in form reasonably acceptable to the County. The Company shall provide the County and the Department with written notice of any Sponsor Affiliate designated pursuant to this Section within ninety (90) days after the end of the calendar year during which any such Sponsor Affiliate has placed in service any portion of the Project, in accordance with Section 12-44-130(B) of the FILOT Act, provided that delivery of the joinder agreement described above shall satisfy such notice requirement.

Section 5.14 Future Land Development Regulations

In the event that, following the date of the original execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement, the County determines to enact any ordinances and/or regulations for the regulation of any aspect of development, including, without limitation, any zoning, rezoning, subdivision, or sign regulations, any solar-specific obligations and/or permitting requirements, or other regulations controlling the development or use of the Land comprising the Project (collectively, the “***Future Land Development Regulations***”), the County hereby agrees to act in good faith not to enact any such Future Land Development Regulations which would prevent, prohibit, or materially limit the development or use of the Project as facilities for solar electric power generation and/or battery storage systems, including, without limitation, Future Land Development Regulations which would prevent, prohibit, or materially limit the development or use of the Project substantially in accordance with the standards set forth on the Site Plan, including, without limitation, any setbacks and vegetative buffers delineated thereon. Additionally, the County hereby agrees that the County has no present intention to enact any Future Land Development Regulations and, in the event that the County determines to enact any Future Land Development Regulations, the County shall provide prior written notice of the same to the Company.

Section 5.15 Decommissioning the Project

At all times during the term of this Fee Agreement, the Company shall comply with the State Decommissioning Requirements; provided, however, if, and only if, following the date of the original execution and delivery of this Fee Agreement, the State Decommissioning Requirements are materially modified or repealed, in whole or in part, the following provisions shall apply:

(a) In the event of Project Abandonment by the Company, the Company shall Decommission the Project. Prior to the issuance of a County Development or Building Permit, the Company shall submit to the County a plan to Decommission the Project. The plan and estimated Cost to Decommission shall be

prepared by an engineer selected by the Company licensed to practice in South Carolina and updated every five (5) years from the date of such submission during the term of this Fee Agreement.

(b) Beginning December 31, 2029, the County may require the Company to provide a performance guarantee in the form of a letter of credit, surety or performance bond, insurance, guaranty issued by any entity which now or hereafter directly or indirectly owns all or part of the Company, or other equivalent security reasonably acceptable to the County (the “**Decommissioning Security**”) in the amount of the lesser of (i) \$50,000, or (ii) 125% of the estimated Cost to Decommission the Project. The County hereby agrees that, in the event the County requires Decommissioning Security pursuant to and in accordance with this Section 5.15, the Company shall be deemed to have satisfied said requirement upon the procurement by the Company of any Decommissioning Security required by the State Decommissioning Requirements and/or any agreement with any lessor of all or any portion of the Land in connection with the Project (collectively, “**Existing Decommissioning Securities**”), and delivery of evidence of the same to the County. The obligation of the Company to provide a performance guarantee is not waived in future years in the event the County elects not to require such performance guarantee in the early years of the Project.

(c) In the event the Company fails to update the estimated Cost to Decommission or provide the performance guarantee described in this Section 5.15 within sixty (60) days of a written request for the same, the failure shall be deemed to be an Event of Default and the parties shall proceed in accordance with Article VI of this Fee Agreement. The obligations arising under this Section 5.15 survive the termination of this Fee Agreement.

[End of Article V]

ARTICLE VI

DEFAULT

Section 6.01 Events of Default

The following shall be “*Events of Default*” under this Fee Agreement, and the term “Event of Default” shall mean, whenever used with reference to this Fee Agreement, any one or more of the following occurrences:

(a) Failure by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate to make the FILOT Payments described in Section 4.01 hereof, or any other amounts payable to the County under this Fee Agreement when due, which failure shall not have been cured within thirty (30) days following receipt of written notice thereof from the County; provided, however, that the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates shall be entitled to all redemption rights granted by applicable statutes; or

(b) A representation or warranty made by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate hereunder which is deemed materially incorrect when deemed made; or

(c) Failure by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate to perform any of the terms, conditions, obligations, or covenants hereunder (other than those under (a) above), which failure shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice from the County to the Company and such Sponsor Affiliate specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, unless the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate shall have instituted corrective action within such time period and is diligently pursuing such action until the default is corrected, in which case the 30-day period shall be extended to cover such additional period during which the Company or such Sponsor Affiliate is diligently pursuing corrective action; or

(d) Failure by the County to perform any of the terms, conditions, obligations, or covenants hereunder, which failure shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice from the Company to the County and any Sponsor Affiliates specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, unless the County shall have instituted corrective action within such time period and is diligently pursuing such action until the default is corrected, in which case the 30-day period shall be extended to cover such additional period during which the County is diligently pursuing corrective action.

Section 6.02 Remedies Upon Default

(a) Whenever any Event of Default by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate (the “*Defaulting Entity*”) shall have occurred and shall be continuing, the County may take any one or more of the following remedial actions as to the Defaulting Entity only:

(i) terminate this Fee Agreement; or

(ii) take whatever action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to collect the amounts due hereunder.

In no event shall the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate be liable to the County or otherwise for monetary damages resulting from the Company’s (together with any Sponsor Affiliates) failure to meet any investment obligations under this Fee Agreement, including, without limitation, the Contract Minimum Investment Requirement and, to the extent permitted by law, the FILOT Act Minimum Investment Requirement, other than those obligations of the Company and/or any Sponsor Affiliate, as the case may be, set forth in Sections 4.02(d) and 4.03(a) hereof.

In addition to all other remedies provided herein, the failure to make FILOT Payments shall give rise to a lien for tax purposes as provided in Section 12-44-90 of the FILOT Act. In this regard, and notwithstanding anything in this Fee Agreement to the contrary, the County may exercise the remedies that general law (including Title 12, Chapter 49 of the Code) provides with regard to the enforced collection of *ad valorem* taxes to collect any FILOT Payments due hereunder.

(b) Whenever any Event of Default by the County shall have occurred or shall be continuing, the Company and any Sponsor Affiliate may take one or more of the following actions:

- (i) bring an action for specific enforcement;
- (ii) terminate this Fee Agreement as to the acting party; or
- (iii) in case of a materially incorrect representation or warranty, take such action as is appropriate, including legal action, to recover its damages, to the extent allowed by law.

Section 6.03 Reimbursement of Legal Fees and Expenses and Other Expenses

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default hereunder by the Company or any Sponsor Affiliate, should the County be required to employ attorneys or incur other reasonable expenses for the collection of payments due hereunder or for the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligation or agreement, the County shall be entitled, within thirty (30) days of demand therefor, to reimbursement of the reasonable fees of such attorneys and such other reasonable expenses so incurred.

Section 6.04 No Waiver

No failure or delay on the part of any party hereto in exercising any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power, or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power, or remedy hereunder. No waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the waiving party hereto.

[End of Article VI]

ARTICLE VII
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.01 Notices

Any notice, election, demand, request, or other communication to be provided under this Fee Agreement shall be effective when delivered to the party named below or when deposited with the United States Postal Service, certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed as follows (or addressed to such other address as any party shall have previously furnished in writing to the other party), except where the terms hereof require receipt rather than sending of any notice, in which case such provision shall control:

If to the Company:

Project Bolt
Attn: _____

With a copy to:

Maynard Nexsen PC
Attn: Tushar V. Chikhliker
1230 Main Street, Suite 700
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

If to the County:

Greenville County
Attn: County Administrator
301 University Ridge, N-4000
Greenville, South Carolina 29601

With a copy to:

Greenville County Attorney
301 University Ridge, Suite 2400
Greenville, South Carolina 29601

Section 7.02 Binding Effect

This Fee Agreement and each document contemplated hereby or related hereto shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, the County, and their respective successors and assigns. In the event of the dissolution of the County or the consolidation of any part of the County with any other political subdivision or the transfer of any rights of the County to any other such political subdivision, all of the covenants, stipulations, promises, and agreements of this Fee Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the successors of the County from time to time and any entity, officer, board, commission, agency, or instrumentality to whom or to which any power or duty of the County has been transferred.

Section 7.03 Counterparts

This Fee Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and all of the counterparts taken together shall be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 7.04 Governing Law

This Fee Agreement and all documents executed in connection herewith shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State.

Section 7.05 Headings

The headings of the articles and sections of this Fee Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute a part of this Fee Agreement.

Section 7.06 Amendments

The provisions of this Fee Agreement may only be modified or amended in writing by any agreement or agreements entered into between the parties.

Section 7.07 Further Assurance

From time to time, and at the expense of the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates, the County agrees to execute and deliver to the Company and any such Sponsor Affiliates such additional instruments as the Company or such Sponsor Affiliates may reasonably request and as are authorized by law and reasonably within the purposes and scope of the FILOT Act, the MCIP Act and this Fee Agreement to effectuate the purposes of this Fee Agreement.

Section 7.08 Invalidity; Change in Laws

In the event that the inclusion of property as Economic Development Property or any other issue is unclear under this Fee Agreement, the County hereby expresses its intention that the interpretation of this Fee Agreement shall be in a manner that provides for the broadest inclusion of property under the terms of this Fee Agreement and the maximum incentives permissible under the FILOT Act and the MCIP Act, to the extent not inconsistent with any of the explicit terms hereof. If any provision of this Fee Agreement is declared illegal, invalid, or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions hereof shall be unimpaired, and such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision shall be reformed to effectuate most closely the legal, valid, and enforceable intent thereof and so as to afford the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates with the maximum benefits to be derived herefrom, it being the intention of the County to offer the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates the strongest inducement possible, within the provisions of the FILOT Act and the MCIP Act, to locate the Project in the County. In case a change in the FILOT Act, the MCIP Act, or South Carolina laws eliminates or reduces any of the restrictions or limitations applicable to the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates and the FILOT and/or Special Source Credit incentives, the parties agree that the County will give expedient and full consideration to reformation of this Fee Agreement, and, if the County Council so decides, to provide the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates with the benefits of such change in the FILOT Act, MCIP Act, or South Carolina laws.

Section 7.09 Termination by Company

The Company is authorized to terminate this Fee Agreement at any time with respect to all or part of the Project upon providing the County with thirty (30) days' written notice; *provided, however*, that (i) any monetary obligations existing hereunder and due and owing at the time of termination to a party hereto (including without limitation any amounts owed with respect to Section 4.03 hereof); and (ii) any provisions which are intended to survive termination shall survive such termination. In the year following such termination, all property shall be subject to *ad valorem* taxation or such other taxation or fee in lieu of taxation that would apply absent this Fee Agreement. The Company's obligation to make FILOT Payments under this Fee Agreement shall terminate in the year following the year of such termination pursuant to this Section.

Section 7.10 Entire Understanding

This Fee Agreement expresses the entire understanding and all agreements of the parties hereto with each other, and neither party hereto has made or shall be bound by any agreement or any representation to the other party which is not expressly set forth in this Fee Agreement or in certificates delivered in connection with the execution and delivery hereof.

Section 7.11 Waiver

Either party may waive compliance by the other party with any term or condition of this Fee Agreement only in a writing signed by the waiving party.

Section 7.12 Business Day

In the event that any action, payment, or notice is, by the terms of this Fee Agreement, required to be taken, made, or given on any day which is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday in the jurisdiction in which the person obligated to act is domiciled, such action, payment, or notice may be taken, made, or given on the following business day with the same effect as if given as required hereby, and no interest shall accrue in the interim.

Section 7.13 Facsimile/Scanned Signatures

The parties hereto agree that use of a fax or scanned signature and the signatures, initials, and handwritten or typewritten modifications to any of the foregoing shall be deemed to be valid and binding upon the parties hereto as if the original signature, initials, and handwritten or typewritten modifications were present on the documents in the handwriting of each party.

[End of Article VII]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County, acting by and through the County Council, has caused this Fee Agreement to be executed in its name and on its behalf by the Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator and to be attested by the Clerk of the County Council; and the Company has caused this Fee Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, all as of the day and year first above written.

GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

(SEAL)

By: _____
Chairman of County Council

By: _____
County Administrator

ATTEST:

Clerk to County Council of
Greenville County, South Carolina

[Signature Page 1 to Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement]

PROJECT BOLT

By: _____

Name: _____

Its: _____

[Signature Page 2 to Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement]

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

[To be inserted.]

EXHIBIT B

INVESTMENT CERTIFICATION

I _____, the _____ of a company identified for the time being as Project Bolt (the “*Company*”), do hereby certify in connection with Section 4.03 of the Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement dated as of [●], 2024 between Greenville County, South Carolina and the Company (the “*Agreement*”), as follows:

(1) The total investment made by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates in the Project during the calendar year ending December 31, 20__ was \$_____.

(2) The cumulative total investment made by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates in the Project from the period beginning _____, 20__ (that is, the beginning date of the Investment Period) and ending December 31, 20__, is \$_____.

All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this ____ day of _____, 20__.

PROJECT BOLT

By: _____
Name: _____
Its: _____

EXHIBIT C

SPECIAL SOURCE CREDITS CERTIFICATION

I _____, the _____ of a company identified for the time being as Project Bolt (the “*Company*”), do hereby certify in connection with Section 4.02(c) of the Fee in Lieu of Tax and Special Source Credit Agreement dated as of [●], 2024 between Greenville County, South Carolina and the Company (the “*Agreement*”), as follows:

(1) As of the date hereof, the aggregate amount of Special Source Credits previously received by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates is \$_____.

(2) As of December 31, 20__, the aggregate amount of investment in costs of Infrastructure incurred by the Company and any Sponsor Affiliates during the Investment Period is not less than \$_____.

(3) **[Use only if expenditures for personal property will be used to account for Special Source Credits.]** Of the total amount set forth in (2) above, \$_____ pertains to the investment in personal property, including machinery and equipment, at the Project. The applicable personal property, and associated expenditures, are listed below:

<u>Personal Property Description</u>	<u>Investment Amount</u>
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(4) For tax year ____, which corresponds to the property tax year ending December 31, 20__, the Flat Payment Amount is derived by (i) multiplying the Final Output applicable to such tax year by (ii) the Output Multiplier, in this way:

Final Output (as of December 31, 20__)	_____ Megawatts
X \$4,800	
= Flat Payment Amount	\$_____

All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this ____ day of _____, 20__.

PROJECT BOLT

Name: _____
Its: _____

EXHIBIT D

SITE PLAN

See attached.

EXHIBIT E

STATE DECOMMISSIONING REQUIREMENTS

See attached.