# SEQR RESOLUTION DOMAGALA SOLAR LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of County of Lewis Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the Lewis County Jefferson Community College Education Center located at 7395 East Road in the Town of Lowville, Lewis County, New York on October 6, 2022 at 8:00 o'clock a.m., local time.

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

# PRESENT:

Joe LawrenceChairmanGagan SinghVice ChairmanJessica MoserMemberHerb FrostMemberMcKenzie LehmanMember

### ABSENT:

Tom Gillette Member
Darlene Rowsam Member

# AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Brittany Davis Executive Director of Economic Development

Cheyenne Steria Director of Finance and Incentives
Jenna Lauraine Economic Development Specialist

Kevin McArdle, Esq. Agency Counsel

Christopher C. Canada, Esq. Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Herb Frost, seconded by McKenzie Lehman, to wit:

Resolution No. 1022-02

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DETERMINATION BY THE TOWN OF LEYDEN PLANNING BOARD TO ACT AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE DOMAGALA SOLAR LLC PROJECT AND ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION ISSUED WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, County of Lewis 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 62 of the 1973 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 902-a 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, Domagala Solar LLC, a New York State limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in a 30 acre portion of an approximately 88.10 acre parcel of land located at 3127 East Road (tax map no. 353.00-01-23.100) in the Town of Leyden, Lewis County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of an approximately 4.5 MWac solar energy generating facility comprised of new electrical equipment, accessories, concrete pads for equipment and a new gravel access driveway (collectively with the improvements, the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other personal property (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing to constitute a solar energy generating facility to be owned and operated by the Company (the Land, 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 (collectively, 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, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on October 6, 2022 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Agency has been informed that (A) the Town of Leyden Planning Board (the "Planning Board") was designated to act as the "lead agency" with respect to the Project and (B) on July 1, 2021 the Planning Board determined that that the Project is a "Type I" which will not have a "significant effect on the environment" and, therefore, that an "environmental impact statement" is not required to be prepared with respect to the Project and issued a negative declaration with respect thereto (the "Negative Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, at the time that the Planning Board determined itself to be the "lead agency" with respect to the Project, it was not known that the Agency was an "involved agency" with respect to the Project, and, now that the Agency has become an "involved agency" with respect to the Project, the Agency desires to concur in the designation of the Planning Board as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Negative Declaration and to indicate that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA;

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

- Section 1. (A) The Agency has received copies of, and has reviewed, the Application, an environmental assessment form prepared by the Company and the Negative Declaration (collectively, the "Reviewed Documents") and, based upon said Reviewed Documents and the representations made by the Company to the Agency at this meeting, the Agency hereby ratifies and concurs in the designation of the Planning Board as "lead agency" with respect to the Project (as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA).
  - (B) The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA (as such quoted phrase is used in SEQRA).

# Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Joe Lawrence	VOTING	YES
Gagan Singh	VOTING	YES
Jessica Moser	VOTING	YES
Herb Frost	VOTING	YES
Tom Gillette	VOTING	<b>EXCUSED</b>
McKenzie Lehman	VOTING	YES
Darlene Rowsam	VOTING	<b>EXCUSED</b>

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

I, the undersigned Authorized Representative of County of Lewis Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on October 6, 2022 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters 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 and affixed the seal of the Agency this day of October, 2022.

Authorized Representative