

**PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION  
HECATE ENERGY ALBANY 1 LLC AND HECATE ENERGY ALBANY 2 LLC PROJECT - 2021**

A regular meeting of Albany County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session in Room 740 at 112 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on July 14, 2021 at 5:00 o'clock p.m., local time.

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

**PRESENT:**

Hon. William M. Clay	Chairman
Michael Paparian	Treasurer/Member
Marlene McTigue	Secretary/Member
Travon T. Jackson	Member

**ABSENT:**

Anton Dreslin	Member
Paul M. Engel, Jr.	Member
Douglas Roether	Member

**AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:**

William Murphy	Chief Executive Officer
Allen F. Maikels	Chief Financial Officer
Leslie Butcher	Executive Assistant
Walter J. Forman, Esq.	Agency Counsel
A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq.	Special Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Michael Paparian, seconded by Marlene McTigue, to wit:

Resolution No. 0721-\_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF ALBANY COUNTY  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING  
REGARDING A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT  
OF HECATE ENERGY ALBANY 1 LLC AND HECATE ENERGY ALBANY 2 LLC.**

WHEREAS, Albany County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 178 of the 1975 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-b 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 commercial, manufacturing 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, Hecate Energy Albany 1 LLC and Hecate Energy Albany 2 LLC, Delaware State limited liability companies (collectively, the “Company”), has 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 portion of an approximately 436 acre parcel of land located between State Route 9W and County Route 101 in the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York (the “Land”), (2) the construction, installation and equipping on or under the Land of a buried and overhead collection line system, an interconnection substation facility, operations and maintenance structures and a system of gravel access roads, security fencing and gates, parking, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the “Facility”) and (3) the acquisition, installation and equipping therein and thereon of certain equipment, including photovoltaic panels producing direct current (“DC”) electricity with a planned total rated alternating current (“AC”) output capacity of up to 40 megawatts (“MW”) to be mounted on fixed-tilt or tracking panel racks, inverters to convert DC electricity to AC electricity and furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (collectively, the “Equipment”) (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Project Facility”), all of the foregoing to be owned and operated by the Company as a solar-powered electric generating facility and other directly and indirectly related activities; (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, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, prior to the Agency providing any “financial assistance” (as defined in the Act) of more than \$100,000 to any project, the Agency, among other things, must hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to said project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to provide for compliance with the provisions of Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project;

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

Section 1. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Agency, after consultation with the members of the Agency, Agency Counsel and Special Counsel, (A) that due to the (1) ban on large meetings or gatherings pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020, as supplemented, (2) ban on non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason pursuant to Executive Order 202.10 issued on March 23, 2020, as supplemented and (3) suspension of the Open Meetings Law relating to public hearings pursuant to Executive Order 202.15 issued on April 9, 2020, as supplemented, each as issued by Governor Cuomo, during the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, to establish the time, date and electronic method of either conference call or webinar of conducting a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the Project (the “Public Hearing”); provided, however, when the ban is lifted or the Executive Orders are rescinded, the Chief Executive Officer shall establish the time, date and place for the Public Hearing, which Public Hearing will be held in a city, town or village where the Project Facility is or is to be located, (B) to cause notice of such Public Hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice or notices of such Public Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the

governmental units where the Project Facility is or is to be located, such notice or notices to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; (C) to cause notice of the Public Hearing to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; (D) to conduct such Public Hearing; (E) to cause a report of the Public Hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing (the "Report") to be prepared; and (F) to cause a copy of the Report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

Section 2. The law firm of Hodgson Russ LLP is hereby appointed Special Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. The Agency has been informed that Hodgson Russ LLP has acted as counsel to the Company on unrelated matters. The Agency hereby waives any potential conflict resulting from Hodgson Russ LLP acting as counsel to the Company on such other unrelated matters and authorizes the Chairman to execute any document or documents evidencing such waiver. Special Counsel for the Agency is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Company, counsel to the Agency and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 3. The Chairman of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. All action taken by the Chairman of the Agency in connection with the Public Hearing with respect to the Project prior to the date of this Resolution is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 5. 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:

Hon. William M. Clay	VOTING	Yes
Michael Paparian	VOTING	Yes
Marlene McTigue	VOTING	Yes
Anton Dreslin	VOTING	Absent
Paul M. Engel, Jr.	VOTING	Absent
Travon T. Jackson	VOTING	Yes
Douglas Roether	VOTING	Absent

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of Albany County 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 July 14, 2021 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") except as modified by Executive Order 202.1, as supplemented, 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.

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

M. J. McTigue  
(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)