

COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

KENDALL COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING 111 W. Fox Street; County Board Room 210; Yorkville Friday, April 30, 2021 at 8:00a.m. MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call Dan Koukol (Chair), Amy Cesich, Scott Gryder, Matt Kellogg, Robyn Vickers
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of February 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- 5. Committee Business
 - ➤ Discussion of C-Pace
 - Discussion of American Rescue Plan Act Funds
- 6. Updates and Reports
- 7. Chair's Report
- 8. Public Comment
- 9. Executive Session
- 10. Adjournment

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COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes for Friday, February 26, 2021

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Dan Koukol at 8:00a.m.

Roll Call

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	Present		
Scott Gryder		8:01a.m.	
Matt Kellogg	Here		9:12a.m.
Dan Koukol	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		

Others Present: County Administrator Scott Koeppel, Lindsay Bloos, Thomas P. Miller & Associates

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> – Member Cesich made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Kellogg.

ROLL CALL VOTE

MEMBER	VOTE
Dan Koukol	Yes
Robyn Vickers	Yes
Amy Cesich	Yes
Matt Kellogg	Yes

With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

<u>Approval of January 29, 2021 Meeting Minutes</u> – Member Koukol made a motion to approve the January 29, 2021 meeting minutes, second by Member Kellogg.

ROLL CALL VOTE

MEMBER	VOTE
Robyn Vickers	Yes
Amy Cesich	Yes
Matt Kellogg	Yes
Dan Koukol	Yes

With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Committee Business

➤ Discussion of Virtual Booth for IL Statewide College Virtual Career Fair on Friday, April 9, 2021 – Mr. Koeppel reported that Waubonsee Community College has invited the County and 16 other community colleges to participate in a statewide virtual Career Fair from 8:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. on Friday, April 9, 2021. The hope is to connect students and

community residents with potential employers, resources and services. The county is invited to register for a virtual booth at no charge to promote relevant resources and services related to anyone seeking employment. Mr. Koeppel stated that the county doesn't have a large number of open positions, but wondered if the committee was interested in participating. There was consensus from the committee to have Mr. Koeppel forward the information to the Sheriff's Office and Health Department if they'd like to get involved.

Discussion of the Kendall County Revolving Loan Fund Recapture Strategy – Mr. Koeppel reviewed the recapture strategy and ordinance from 2019. Mr. Koeppel stated that we haven't had many revolving loans, and that most that are interested are seeking a larger amount of funding. The committee sets the loan amount, the years, the percentage rates, and the guidelines. Mr. Koeppel stated that how he will evaluate pre-application and applications for loans depends on how the recapture strategy is set by the County Board, because that's the only rules he has to use.

Mr. Koeppel reminded the group that some funds were designated to support municipalities participating in the Downstate Small Business loans. Koeppel said that the loan for Kennedy Point through Kendall County will be completed in early April, and the funding is forthcoming for Top-Notch Kennels (won their appeal) and will be closed shortly as well.

Member Koukol stated that he wanted to remove a specified dollar amount in the Recapture Strategy, and lower the interest rate for the new loan applicants from the Recapture Strategy. Discussion of the current approved Recapture Strategy including the seven goals and objectives, the evaluation based on these goals and objectives, the current interest rate, and the risk of this type of loan.

Member Cesich and Member Vickers both strongly emphasized the need for consistency and equity in the guidelines and restrictions approved by the Board for Revolving Loans, and fairness in approval and distribution of loan funding.

Mr. Koeppel stated that if the committee chooses to amend the Recapture Strategy, that he would suggested having a separate non-profit section in the document and including clarification of the property tax difference for Business applicants versus Non-Profit applicants, and the addition of requiring a \$500 deposit for all loan applications.

Member Koukol made a motion to remove the fixed loan amount from the Recapture Strategy, second by Member Kellogg.

ROLL CALL VOTE

MEMBER	VOTE
Scott Gryder	No
Matt Kellogg	Yes
Dan Koukol	Yes
Robyn Vickers	No
Amy Cesich	No

With members Cesich, Gryder and Vickers voting no, and Members Kellogg and Koukol voting yes, the motion failed by a vote of 3-2.

Discussion of scoring sheets, raising the loan cap amount. The committee agreed that it was necessary to have a scoring sheet to the application evaluations, and to possibly increase the loan cap amount to \$200,000.

Member Koukol made a motion to increase the threshold to a maximum of \$200,000, and to include a scoring sheet to all applications, second by Member Gryder.

ROLL CALL VOTE

MEMBER	VOTE
Matt Kellogg	Yes
Dan Koukol	Yes
Robyn Vickers	Yes
Amy Cesich	No
Scott Gryder	Yes

With member Cesich voting no, and members Gryder, Vickers, Kellogg and Koukol voting yes, the motion passed by a vote of 4-1.

<u>The committee asked Mr. Koeppel to prepare draft separate scoring sheets for Business and Non-Profit applicants for review and discussion at the March meeting.</u>

➤ Discussion of Revolving Loan Fund Pre-Application for Rehab Properties, LLC – Mr. Koeppel briefed the committee on the pre-application for Rehab Properties, and shared his findings and suggestions with the Committee. Discussion on the business, the pre-application, and the qualifications for applicants applying for Revolving Loan funding. Member Koukol made a motion to approve the pre-application of Rehab Properties, LLC, second by Member Gryder.

MEMBER	VOTE
Amy Cesich	No
Scott Gryder	No
Matt Kellogg	No
Dan Koukol	Yes
Robyn Vickers	No

With members Gryder, Cesich, Vickers and Kellogg voting no, and Member Koukol voting yes, the motion failed by a vote of 4-1.

Updates and Reports – None

<u>Chairs Report</u> – Chair Koukol reported that he continues having discussions throughout the county with business owners about the Revolving Loan Fund available to qualified applicants, and encourages them to submit the pre-application if interested.

<u>Items for the March 2, 2021County Board Meeting</u> - None

Items for the March 11, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting - None

Public Comment – None

Executive Session – Not needed

Adjournment - Member Gryder made a motion to adjourn, second by Member Vickers.

Attendee	Vote
Scott Gryder	Yes
Matt Kellogg	Yes
Dan Koukol	Yes
Robyn Vickers	Yes
Amy Cesich	Yes

<u>With members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 5-0</u>. There being no objection, the Economic Development Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:15a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valarie McClain Administrative Assistant & Recording Secretary

Kendall County Economic Development Commission Loan Status 3/31/2021

		A		В	C	D		E
	Last Pymt	Monthly Payment		Total Pa	id		Bank To	otals
Account Name	Loan Date	Principal	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Principal Balance	Interest Earned	Bank Balance includes I earned
Surplus - EDC BB #815-535							435,470.69	1,597,125.66
Law Office Corporation Payment: #61		*579.05 suspended until 6/1/21			117.21			
Loan Status: Midland State Bank	3/11/2015	450.56 <u>120,000.00</u> 120,450.56	1.50%	25,298.53	8,179.62	95,152.03	101.88	33,580.03
Civilian Force Arms Payment: #53	9/30/2020	00.000.00	2.000		.=	2.00		0.4.044.04
Loan Status: First National Bank	8/6/2015	90,000.00	2.90%	90,000.00	6,791.14	0.00	152.87	96,944.01
Dearborn Café								
Payment: #65	3/2/2021	1,024.93		989.71	35.22			
Loan Status: FNB #2920	9/1/2015	80,000.00	2.10%	60,863.27	5,757.20	19,136.75	194.45	66,814.92
Lucky's Beef N Dogs	3/9/2021	225.00		150.00	67.23			
Payment: #29		225.00	2 000/	157.77		25 ((2.02		0.416.06
Loan Status: BB 286	5/23/2017	32,086.20	2.90%	4,424.18	2,100.82	27,662.02		8,416.96
Total Loan Statuses		322,536.76		180,585.98	22,828.78	141,950.80	435,919.89	1,802,881.58

Total Assets (D +E) 1,944,832.38

THE COUNTY OF [COUNTY NAME], ILLINOIS TAXABLE PACE REVENUE NOTE ([STREET ADDRESS] PROJECT)

Principal Amount Date of Issuance		Maturity Date of	Interest Rate of	
			Assessment Contract	Assessment Contract
\$[]	[] [], 20XX	[] [], 20XX	[]
Registered Own	er:[] (together with	its successors and assigns,	"Registered Owner")

1. PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS

- 1.1 Obligation to Pay Pledged Revenues. The County of Kendall, Illinois (the "County"), a public body municipal and corporate, in consideration of the Registered Owner's funding of the Financed Amount under the Assessment Contract ([STREET ADDRESS] PROJECT), dated [_______], between the County and [PROPERTY OWNER] (together with its successors and assigns, "Property Owner") attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Assessment Contract" and, together with this Note, collectively the "PACE **Documents**"), hereby promises to pay, in the amounts and at the times set forth in the Assessment Contract, to the Registered Owner, solely from the source identified herein, the principal sum set forth above, together with interest, fees, penalties, indemnities and other amounts payable on such amounts under the Assessment Contract or pursuant to applicable law, other than (i) amounts collected from direct or indirect indemnification rights for the benefit of the County or any person other than the Registered Owner pursuant to the Assessment Contract or any related document, (ii) amounts identified and assessed as administrative fees and expenses to the extent payable to or on behalf of the County or its agents in accordance with the Assessment Contract and (iii) the sums received by the County from the collection of penalties and statutory interest on delinquent payments under the Assessment Contract, which shall be retained by the County as collections fees (collectively, the "Pledged Revenues").
- 1.2 <u>Cumulative Obligations</u>. The County's obligation to pay the Pledged Revenues shall be cumulative. For the purposes of this Note, the term "cumulative" shall mean that if any installment of principal and interest is not paid when due, it shall remain due and payable until actually paid and shall be paidln accordance with the Treasurer's property tax dispursement schedule.
- 1.3 <u>Assignment and Pledge</u>. The County hereby grants and assigns the Pledged Revenues to the Registered Owner and to the extent not assigned, conveys and pledges to the Registered Owner a first priority security interest in and to the Pledged Revenues. The County may not issue additional notes payable from the Pledged Revenues or otherwise assign, pledge, or encumber the Pledged Revenues, without the written consent of the Registered Owner.
- 1.4 <u>Principal Reductions; Prepayments</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law¹, the County shall

¹ NTD: In thinking this language through, we determined that its appropriate to keep the applicable law exception

not permit any reduction or deferral in the amount due and owing under the Assessment Contract, without the written consent of the Registered Owner. The County shall or shall cause the Program Administrator (as defined below) to, provide a reasonable period of time for Registered Owner to review and approve any calculations necessary to effect prepayments in accordance with the Assessment Contract.

- 1.5 <u>Payment Obligations Unconditional</u>. To the extent permitted by law, the County's obligation to transfer or cause the transfer of the Pledged Revenues it receives from the Property Owner to the Registered Owner shall be unconditional, and the County shall make or cause such transfers without any deduction for any reason, including any set-off or defense the County may have or assert against the Registered Owner.²
- 1.6 Term. All obligations of the County hereunder shall terminate on the date when all amounts due under the Assessment Contract have been received by the Registered Owner as set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else set forth herein, and in addition thereto, if at any time all or any part of any payment received by the Registered Owner under or with respect to this Note is or must be rescinded or returned for any reason whatsoever (including, but not limited to, determination that said payment was a voidable preference or fraudulent transfer under insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization laws), then the obligations hereunder shall, to the extent of the payment rescinded or returned, be deemed to have continued in existence, notwithstanding such previous receipt of payment by the Registered Owner, continue to be effective or be reinstated as to such payment, all as though such previous payment to the Registered Owner had never been made. The provisions of the foregoing sentence shall survive termination of this Note and shall remain a valid and binding obligation of County.

2. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COUNTY.

The County hereby makes the following representations and warranties for the benefit of the Registered Owner as of the date hereof:

- Authorization. The County has taken (i) all necessary official action required of it under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act, 50 ILCS 50/1 et. seq. (the "PACE Act") to establish the property assessed clean energy program for the County, including approving the ordinance (the "Ordinance") of the County Board of the County on [_______, 20___], and (ii) all such action as may be required on the part of the County to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated in the PACE Documents.
- 2.2 Organization; Authority. The County is a political subdivision of the State of Illinois, duly organized and validly existing as a County under the laws of the State of Illinois, with the power to adopt the Ordinance, issue the PACE Documents, and perform the agreements on its part contained in or related to the PACE Documents.
- 2.3 <u>C PACE Act</u>. This Note is issued pursuant to the provisions of, and in full compliance with, the PACE Act. This Note constitutes a "PACE bond" for purposes of the PACE Act.
- 2.4 <u>Enforceability</u>. When executed and delivered by the respective parties thereto, each of the PACE Documents executed by the County will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the County enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- 2.5 <u>Compliance with Laws and Agreements</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by the County of each of the PACE Documents and the performance by the County of its obligations under each of the PACE Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (i) do not contravene any provisions

here. If a tax lien isn't sold the IL real property tax law eventually requires a scavenger sale, which could mean that the amount of delinquent taxes actually collected is reduced to the amount bid at the scavenger sale.

² NTD – Deleted language was duplicative of new language in 1.3.

of law applicable to the County, and (ii) do not conflict with, and will not result (with or without the giving of notice or passage of time or both) in the breach of or constitute a default or require any consent under any credit agreement, indenture, mortgage, purchase agreement, deed of trust, security agreement, lease, guarantee or other instrument to which the County is a party, by which the County may be bound or to which the County or its property may be subject.

- No Actions. To the best knowledge of the County after reasonable inquiry, no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, regulatory agency, or public board of body is pending or threatened, in any way affecting the existence of the County or the titles of its officers to their respective offices, or seeking to restrain or to enjoin the execution and delivery of the Ordinance, this Note or the Assessment Contract, or the consummation by the County of the transactions contemplated by the Ordinance, the PACE Documents, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity or enforceability of the Ordinance, this Note or the Assessment Contract, any other applicable agreements, or any action of the County contemplated by any of those documents, or in any way contesting the powers of the County or its authority with respect to the Ordinance, this Note or the Assessment Contract, any other applicable agreements, or any action of the County contemplated by any of such documents.
- 2.7 <u>Consents and Approvals</u>. No further approval of, or consent from, any governmental authority is required for the execution and delivery by the County of the PACE Documents or the consummation by the County of any other transaction contemplated by the PACE Documents that has not been obtained.

3. COVENANTS OF THE COUNTY.

- 3.1 <u>Direction of Payments</u>. The County will pay all Pledged Revenues to the account specified by the Registered Owner in a written notice to The Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP, as program administrator (together with any successor, the "Program Administrator") in accordance with the County Treasurer's tax dispursement schedule.
- 3.2 <u>PACE Note and Interest Fund</u>. The County agrees that it shall establish funds for the collection of the Pledged Revenues as separate funds maintained on the County's books and records and to be held at a bank with which the County maintains a depository relationship. The County hereby assigns to the Registered Owner all of its right, title and interest in and to all Pledged Revenues maintained in such fund and agrees that it holds such amounts in trust for the benefit of the Registered Owner.
- 3.3 <u>Amendment to Assessment Contract</u>. The County shall not amend the Assessment Contract in any manner that is materially adverse to the Registered Owner without the Registered Owner's prior written consent.
- 3.4 Property Tax Code Compliance; Adjustments to Scheduled Payments. The County will comply with all requirements of the PACE Act, the Property Tax Code of the State of Illinois, as amended (the "Property Tax Code"), the Assessment Contract and this Note to assure the timely collection of the Pledged Revenues, including, without limitation, the enforcement of delinquent Assessment Payments (as defined in the Assessment Contract) as set forth in Section 3.5 and any other applicable law. To the extent that the Assessment Contract contemplates adjustments to Assessment Payments becoming due (such as interest rate changes or prepayments), the Registered Owner or its designee shall be responsible for making such calculations and delivering them to the Program Administrator. Program Administrator shall promptly deliver any prepayment notices received from the Property Owner to the Registered Owner or its designee and Registered Owner shall promptly provide (a) a calculation of the require prepayment amount, including any prepayment premium and rebated interest, and (b) payment instructions. Upon receipt of such calculation, the Program Administrator shall deliver a payoff statement to the Property Owner in accordance with the Assessment Contract. So long as necessary information regarding adjustments to any scheduled Assessment Payment (as defined in the

Assessment Contract) is delivered by the Registered Owner to the Program Administrator before January 1 of each calendar year, then the County shall include such adjustments on the next tax roll applicable to the Property (as defined in the Assessment Contract). The Program Administrator may conclusively rely on any payment calculations delivered by the Registered Owner hereunder.

- 3.5 <u>Delinquencies</u>. If an Assessment Payment (as defined in the Assessment Contract) is delinquent according to the Property Tax Code, the County shall take such steps and follow such procedures to collect delinquent property tax payments as specified in the Property Tax Code. Upon receipt of any Pledged Revenues via the tax sale procedures available to the County pursuant to the Property Tax Code, the County shall transfer such amounts to the Registered Owner at the Registered Owner's designated account in accordance with the County Treasurer's tax dispursement schedule.
- 3.6 Bankruptcy of the County. The County acknowledges and agrees that amounts collected by the County as Pledged Revenues are intended to be "special revenues" as defined in Section 902(2) of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The foregoing is a statement of intent and not a guaranty or assurance that such proceeds will be treated as special revenues. In the event that the County files a petition under Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, the County shall not oppose a post-petition motion by the Registered Owner seeking (a) to obtain relief from the automatic stay applicable in bankruptcy cases with respect to all Pledged Revenues received by the County prior to such petition being filed to enable such Pledged Revenues to be paid to the Registered Owner, or (b) to ensure that all Pledged Revenues received by the County following such petition being filed are timely paid to the Registered Owner.
- 3.7 <u>Further Assurances</u>. The County will adopt, make, execute and deliver any and all such further ordinances, resolutions, instruments and assurances as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out the intention or to facilitate the performance of the PACE Documents, and for the better assuring and confirming unto the County the rights and benefits provided in this Note.
- 3.8 <u>Delegation of Duties</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the County may cause the Program Administrator to perform any of its obligations under this Note.

4. EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES.

- 4.1 <u>Events of Default</u>. Any one or more of the following events will constitute an "Event of Default":
 - (a) Default in the due and punctual payment of any Pledged Revenues after receipt by the County;
 - (b) Default by the County in the observance of any of its other covenants in the PACE Documents, and the continuation of such default for a period of thirty (30) days after the County has been given notice in writing of such default by the Registered Owner; provided that, if such failure is curable, but not within such thirty (30) day period, such failure shall not constitute an Event of Default if, within such thirty (30) day period, the County diligently pursues such cure and such failure is cured within a reasonable period of time;
 - (c) Failure of the Registered Owner to have a valid and binding priority lien and security interest in the Pledged Revenues; or
 - (d) The filing by the County of a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or failure by the County promptly to lift any adjudication of the County as bankrupt, or the approval by a court of competent jurisdiction of a petition applicable to the County in any proceedings instituted under the provisions of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

4.2 Remedies.

(a) Following the occurrence of an Event of Default, Registered Owner will have the right:

- (i) By mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity to enforce its, its rights against the County and any of the members, officers and employees of the County, and to compel the County or any such members, officers or employees to perform and carry out their duties under the PACE Act and their agreements herein;
- (ii) By suit in equity to enjoin any actions or things that are unlawful or violate the rights of the Owners; or
- (iii) To exercise every power and remedy available to it under the PACE Act or other applicable
- (b) No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Registered Owner is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy. Every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing, at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, and may be exercised without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy conferred by the PACE Act or any other law.

5. LIMITED RECOURSE.

THE SOLE SOURCE OF REPAYMENT OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE THE PLEDGED REVENUES. THE COUNTY WILL NOT BE IN ANY WAY LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF PLEDGED REVENUES TO REGISTERED OWNER, BEYOND REMITTING PLEDGED REVENUES PAID TO THE COUNTY BY PROPERTY OWNER OR IN CASES OF DEFAULT BY PROPERTY OWNER, BY A TAX PURCHASER VIA TAX SALE. EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THE ASSESSMENT CONTRACT, NEITHER THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE COUNTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL, INTEREST OR PENALTIES ON THE ASSIGNED ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS OR ANY COSTS INCIDENTAL THERETO. NO OFFICIAL, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY WILL BE INDIVIDUALLY OR PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF PLEDGED REVENUES; BUT NOTHING HEREIN CONTAINED WILL RELIEVE ANY SUCH OFFICIAL, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY OFFICIAL DUTY PROVIDED BY LAW.

6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- 6.1 <u>Section Headings</u>. Headings and numbers have been set forth herein for convenience only. Unless the contrary is compelled by the context, everything contained in each Section applies equally to this entire Note.
- 6.2 <u>Interpretation</u>. This Note shall be construed and interpreted according to the ordinary meaning of the words used so as to accomplish fairly the purposes and intentions of the provision herein.
- 6.3 <u>Severability of Provisions</u>. Each provision of this Note shall be severable from every other provision of this Note for the purpose of determining the legal enforceability of any specific provision.
- 6.4 <u>Counterparts; Electronic Execution</u>. Delivery of an executed counterpart of this Note by electronic method of transmission shall be equally as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Note.
- 6.5 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Note shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of Illinois.
- Assignments; Note Register. To register the transfer of this Note, Registered Owner must present to the County and the Program Administrator a duly executed Form of Assignment in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B. The County shall cause the Program Administrator to keep a register of the ownership and transfers of this Note. The register will show the date, maturity amount, rate of interest and last Registered Owner and will at all times be open to inspection by the County and the Registered Owner during regular business hours on any Business Day, upon reasonable notice.

6.7 Interpretation. Unless the context of this Note clearly requires otherwise, references to the plural include the singular, references to the singular include the plural, the terms "includes" and "including" are not limiting, and the term "or" has, except where otherwise indicated, the inclusive meaning represented by the phrase "and/or." The words "hereof," "herein," "hereby," "hereunder," and similar terms in this Note refer to this Note as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Note, as the case may be. Section, subsection, clause, schedule, and exhibit references herein are to this Note unless otherwise specified. Any reference in this Note to any agreement, instrument, or document shall include all alterations, amendments, changes, extensions, modifications, renewals, replacements, substitutions, joinders, and supplements, thereto and thereof, as applicable (subject to any restrictions on such alterations, amendments, changes, extensions, modifications, renewals, replacements, substitutions, joinders, and supplements set forth herein). Any reference herein to any person or entity shall be construed to include such person's or entity's successors and assigns. The words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties. Any requirement of a writing contained herein shall be satisfied by the transmission of a record and any record transmitted shall constitute a representation and warranty as to the accuracy and completeness of the information contained therein.

[Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF The County of [County Name], Illinois, by its County Board, has caused this Note to be executed by the manual or duly authorized facsimile signature of the Chairman of its County Board and attested by the manual or duly authorized facsimile signature of the County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the County Board, all as appearing hereon and as of the dated date identified above.

ATTEST:	Chairman of the County Board
County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the County Board	
Date of Authentication: [Closing Date]	
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION	Note Registrar and Paying Agent: [Name of Entity] [City],[State]
This Note is one of the Notes described in the within-mentioned Ordinance and is one of the Taxable PACE Revenue Notes, ([Street Address] Project) having a dated date of [Closing Date], of The County of [County Name], Illinois.	
[Name of Entity], as Note Registrar	
ByAuthorized Officer	

Form of Assignment

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

[Here insert identifying number such as TID, SSN, or other]

(Name and Address of Assignee)
the within Note and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint

attorney to transfer such Note on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated:

Signature:

ASSESSMENT CONTRACT

	Property Owner Name:	[]
[County Name] County	Property:	[] []
	PIN:	[]
	Financed Amount:	[]
	Interest Rate:	[]
	Registered Contractor:	[]
	Completion Deadline:	[]
	Construction Escrow:	[]

This ASSESSMENT CONTRACT (this "Agreement"), dated as of [DATE] (the "Effective Date"), is by and between Kendall County, Illinois (the "County") a political subdivision of the State of Illinois, and [PROPERTY OWNER] (the "Property Owner") the owner(s) of record, of the fee interest in the real property described on Exhibit A (the "Property"). The Property Owner completed an application (the "PACE Application") to participate in a property assessed clean energy ("PACE") financing program (the "Program") offered by the County pursuant to the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act. 50 ILCS 50/1 et. seq. (the "PACE Act") and administered by The Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP (the "Administrator"), in order to finance or refinance certain qualified "energy projects" (as defined in the PACE Act) that benefit the Property, as described on Exhibit A (the "Improvements"). The Property Owner will repay the Financed Amount, accrued interest, closing costs, administrative expenses of the County, indemnities, penalties and any other amounts payable under this Agreement through tax assessments levied on the Property from time to time by the County pursuant to the PACE Act (the "Special Assessments"). The Property Owner has entered into the CPACE Supplemental Agreement, dated on the date hereof, with the funding sources for the Financed Amount (the "Capital Provider") in connection with this agreement (the "CPACE Supplemental Agreement"). This Agreement establishes the terms of participation in the Program and payment of the Special Assessments.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. The Property Owner agrees that from and after execution of this Agreement, the Property shall be subject to Special Assessments that will be levied by the County from time to time in the amounts necessary to repay all amounts owing under this Agreement until any and all such amounts have been paid in full. The Special Assessments will be a lien against the Property (the "**Lien**") until such amounts are paid in full. The Lien will be coequal to and independent of the lien for general taxes on the Property. If the Property Owner sells the Property, the obligation to pay the Special Assessments and the Lien will remain with the Property and will be effective against any future owner of the Property until the Special Assessments have been paid in full.

USE OF FUNDS. The Property Owner will use the financing obtained under this Agreement solely for the purpose of financing the actual costs of materials, labor and fees necessary for installation of the Improvements and entering into this Agreement and the other PACE Documents (as defined below). If such actual costs exceed the Financed Amount, the Property Owner is solely responsible for such excess.

ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS. The installments that the Property Owner is anticipated to pay under the Special Assessments are described on <u>Schedule I</u> ("Assessment Payments"). The exact payment amounts (including any adjustments to such amounts related to applicable prepayments, variable interest rates, changes to administrative expenses, indemnities or other unscheduled amounts payable by or credited to Property Owner pursuant to this Agreement) and due dates will be disclosed in annual invoices from the County along with the Property Owner's regular property taxes and must be paid with the Property Owner's regular property taxes. Assessment Payments are not subject to discount or any other credit for early payment.

INTEREST. Interest will accrue on the outstanding portion of the Financed Amount at the Interest Rate described above on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each. Interest will begin to accrue on the full amount of the Financed Amount beginning on the Effective Date. Each Assessment Payment will include the full amount of interest scheduled to become due within the corresponding 6-month period of the calendar year in which that Assessment Payment is scheduled (each, an "**Interest Period**"). Early payment will not reduce the amount of interest accrued in any Interest Period. The Financed Amount will include capitalized interest sufficient to pay any interest due in the period from the Effective Date to the first day of the Interest Period covered by the first scheduled Assessment Payment.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. In accordance with the PACE Act, each Assessment Payment will include amounts necessary to pay the County's costs to administer the Program ("**Administrative Fees**"). Administrative Fees are anticipated to equal [\$300] of each scheduled Assessment Payment, but may increase as required by the County.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS. Based solely on the recommendation of the Administrator and the representations of the Property Owner in this Agreement and in the related PACE Application, the County has determined the Property Owner has met all necessary Program requirements to enter into this Agreement.

FUNDING. If installation of the Improvements is not complete as of the Effective Date or as a result of default, the relevant portions of the Financed Amount not disbursed to Property Owner (the "Construction Escrow") shall be held in an account designated in the Financing Dcouments. Such Construction Escrow shall be consistent with the requirements of the program guidelines for the Program as of the Effective Date (the "Program" Guidelines") and the CPACE Supplemental Agreement. Otherwise, relevant portions of the Financed Amount will disbursed to or at the direction of the Property Owner once all funding requirements have been completed in accordance with the CPACE Supplemental Agreement and the Program Guidelines, including approval of the Administrator of the Improvements covered by such request. The Property Owner shall provide to the Administrator copies of any documents submitted or required to be submitted in connection with requests for funding from the Construction Escrow. In accordance with the Program Guidelines and the PACE Act, requests for funding under the Construction Escrow or any other disbursements will be accompanied by an interim or final completion certificate, as applicable, signed by the relevant contractors and the Property Owner certifying the work on the Improvements has been completed in a satisfactory manner and in accordance with all relevant construction agreements. The agreements governing the Construction Escrow shall provide that, if (a) funds remain in the Construction Escrow after the Completion Deadline set forth above and the Improvements are not properly acquired, constructed, installed, and operating as intended (as evidenced by delivery of a final completion certificate) or (b) after the delivery of the final completion certificate, any portion of the amounts disbursed to pay installation expenses remain unspent, then the funds in the Construction Escrow will be applied as a partial prepayment of the outstanding Financed Amount (including any applicable prepayment premium) upon Capital Provider's or Administrator's request.

PREPAYMENT. The outstanding Financed Amount may be prepaid [in whole][in whole or in part] upon no less than 45 days written request to the Administrator at any time. Prepayments will be applied at the end of the month in which funds are received. Upon receipt of the request for prepayment, the Administrator will provide a payoff statement and payment instructions, which shall be binding without apparent errors. The amount of any prepayment, [in whole][in whole or in part], will include a rebate of unearned interest, if applicable, and a prepayment premium equal to the amount set forth on **Exhibit A** attached hereto. Following a partial prepayment, you will continue to owe Assessment Payments in the same amount as prior to such prepayment; however, the number of Assessment Payments owed may decrease. Due to circumstances outside of the Program's control, certain prepayments (including those applied after February 1 of any calendar year) may result in the Property Owner receiving a tax bill that does not reflect that prepayment. In these circumstances, the Property Owner must pay the full tax bill, and the Administrator will refund overpayments to the Property Owner when received from the County.

LATE PAYMENT. Under Illinois law, if the Property Owner fails to pay any annual installment of the Special Assessments on a timely basis, delinquent Special Assessments will be subject to the same penalties as other delinquent property taxes, which initially incur a penalty of 1.5% per month and continue to incur increasingly

steep penalties mandated by statute if such taxes remain unpaid, including loss of title to the Property. The Property Owner will be responsible for any fees, default interest or other charges related to a delinquent payment in accordance with the Illinois Property Tax Code or other applicable law.

FORECLOSURE. The Property Owner acknowledges and agrees that upon failure to pay any Assessment Payment, the County has the right to enforce collection of delinquent installments, associated penalties and all costs of suit (including attorneys' fees) by all lawful means, including through a tax certificate sale or an issuance of a tax deed or other process that could result in Property Owner losing title to the Property. The Property Owner acknowledges that the County has the right to obligate itself, on behalf of the County Parties (as defined below), to exercise such rights and remedies with respect to enforcement of delinquent Special Assessments to the extent permitted by applicable law.

NO ACCELERATION; NO REDUCTION OR OFFSET; SURVIVAL. Except as provided below with respect to Eminent Domain, the outstanding portion of Financed Amount and scheduled Assessment Payments related thereto will not accelerate upon a default or late payment or enforcement of remedies by the County under this Agreement. The Special Assessments, the Lien and the obligation to pay subsequent Assessment Payments when they become due shall survive any such event and continue until paid in full. The Property Owner acknowledges and agrees that the Special Assessments will not be subject to reduction, offset or credit of any kind for any reason, including the Improvements' failure to perform as expected.

NO WARRANTIES; LIMITATION OF LIABILITY. Neither the County nor the Administrator makes any warranty or representation, either express or implied, regarding the Improvements, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, and any and all implied warranties are expressly disclaimed.

PROPERTY OWNER REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES. The Property Owner represents and warrants: (A) the Property Owner is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing in the state of its organization and has authority to do business under the laws of the State of Illinois; (B) the Property Owner has all necessary power and authority to own the Property and to enter into and perform the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; (C) there are no actions, suits or proceedings pending, or to the knowledge of the Property Owner threatened, against or affecting it or the Property which could materially adversely affect the Property Owner, the Property or the installation of the Improvements; (D) the Property Owner has good and insurable title to the Property; (E) the Property Owner has complied with, and will continue to comply with, all applicable statutes, regulations and ordinances in connection with the Property and installation of the Improvements; (F) all permits, consents, approvals and authorizations required to be issued by any governmental body necessary for the installation of the Improvements in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted by the Property Owner to the Administrator (the "Plans") either (i) have been obtained, are valid, and are in full force and effect; or (ii) will be obtained, will be valid, will be in full force and effect prior to the initiation of installation; (G) the Property Owner has (i) disclosed to the Administrator the identities of all persons, if any, that hold mortgage liens or other special assessment liens against the Property; (ii) at least thirty days prior to the Effective Date, provided notice of the Property Owner's intent to enter this Agreement pursuant to the PACE Act, and (iii) obtained the written consent of the holders of such mortgage liens against the Property acknowledging that upon execution of this Agreement, the Special Assessments (including interest thereon) shall each constitute a legal, valid and binding assessment and a resulting lien upon the Property, equal in priority with the lien of all state, county, district and municipal taxes and superior in priority to all other liens, titles and claims, until paid; and (iii) to the Property Owner's knowledge, no such consent has been withdrawn or revoked; (H) the information in the PACE Application, including, without limitation, the description of the Improvements provided to the Administrator in connection with in the PACE Application, is true and correct as of the Effective Date, and that the representations in the PACE Application with respect to the Property and the Property Owner are true and correct as of the Effective Date; (I) the Property Owner has thoroughly reviewed any projections of future energy savings, has been provided sufficient time to clarify any questions regarding such projections and understands that the actual energy savings may vary for a variety of reasons: (J) the Property Owner understands that neither the County nor the Administrator makes any assurances as to the quality, safety, efficiency of the Improvements or compliance of the installation of the Improvements with any applicable laws, regulations, codes, standards or requirements; (K) the Property Owner does not and will not engage in operations that involve the generation, manufacture, refining, transportation, treatment, storage or handling of hazardous

materials or hazardous wastes, and the Property has not been previously used for such matters; (L) the Property Owner acknowledges and agrees that the term of the Special Assessments do not exceed the expected useful life of the Improvements; and (M) Property Owner has reviewed the Program Guidelines. These representations and warranties will survive the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

PROPERTY OWNER COVENANTS. The Property Owner covenants and agrees to: (A) at all times, maintain the Property and, after installation, the Improvements; (B) pay all taxes, assessments (including the Special Assessment), and all other charges levied on or against the Property when due; (C) cause its contractor(s) to install the Improvements in accordance with the Plans and in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations; (D) keep in effect all permits, licenses, and approvals required to own and operate the Improvements; and (E) provide written notice to any subsequent purchaser of the Property that the Property is subject to the Special Assessments and the Lien and to provide any subsequent purchaser a copy of this Agreement.

INSPECTION RIGHTS. The Property Owner grants the County, the Administrator, their respective agents and representatives the right to enter at any reasonable time, upon reasonable notice, to inspect the Improvements. The Property Owner further grants the County, the Administrator, their respective agents and representatives the right to examine and copy any documentation relating to the Improvements.

TERM. Except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, this Agreement shall expire upon payment in full of the Special Assessments and any other amounts owed by the Property Owner pursuant to this Agreement.

DIVISION OF PROPERTY. The property may not be subdivided unless the Special Assessment is paid in full.

EMINENT DOMAIN. If the Property or any part thereof is taken by eminent domain or other taking in a manner that would extinguish all or a portion of the Property Owner's (or that of its successor by eminent domain) obligation to make Assessment Payments following such exercise of eminent domain, then Property Owner may be required to pay all or a portion of the outstanding amounts in accordance with the CPACE Supplemental Agreement.

RECORDATION OF DOCUMENTS. The parties acknowledge that this Agreement shall be recorded in the office of the County Recorder on or about the Effective Date.

WAIVERS, ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Property Owner expressly waives any right for a public hearing regarding the Special Assessment. The Property Owner also waives any right to repeal or challenge the Special Assessments either by lawsuit or by any other proceeding. The Property Owner acknowledges and agrees that the Property Owner and its successors in interest to fee title in the Property shall be solely responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of the Improvements. The Property Owner waives any right to recover from and fully releases the County, the Administrator and their successors, assigns and funding sources, and any of their respective officials, employees and agents (the "County Parties") from any claims or liabilities related to, (i) the Property Owner's participation in the Program, (ii) the Special Assessment, (iii) the Improvements, or (iv) any fact, circumstance or event related to this Agreement, other than claims for, or liabilities not exceeding, Property Owner's actual damages resulting from such County Party's willful misconduct or gross negligence and equitable actions to enforce the terms of this Agreement.

INDEMNIFICATION. The Property Owner agrees to indemnify, defend, with counsel of the County Parties' choosing, protect, and hold harmless the County Parties against all losses, liabilities, claims, damages (including consequential damages), penalties, fines, forfeitures, costs and expenses (including all reasonable out-of-pocket litigation costs and attorney's fees) and any demands related to (i) the Property Owner's participation in the Program, (ii) the Special Assessment, (iii) the Improvements, or (iv) any other fact, circumstance or event related to this Agreement. These indemnification provisions shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Indemnification amounts due under this Agreement may be levied as part of the Special Assessment.

AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by the written agreement of the County and the Property Owner or their respective successors.

SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding will not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.

FURTHER ASSURANCES. The Property Owner and the County agree to execute any further documents necessary or appropriate to ensure that this Agreement and the Special Assessments operate as intended.

MISCELLANEOUS. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which is an original and all of which constitutes one and the same instrument. This Agreement may be executed by one or more electronic means and each party agrees that an electronic signature is enforceable against each that respective party.

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY. The parties hereto acknowledge that the Administrator is a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

PERMITTED ASSIGNMENTS. This Agreement inures to the benefit of and is binding upon the County, the Administrator, the Property Owner and their respective successors and assigns. To the extent permitted by the PACE Act, the County may assign it's rights under this Agreement, including all rights to Assessment Payments, to a third party (a "**Permitted Assignee**") without the consent of the Property Owner. The County intends to delegate certain of its functions under this Agreement to the Administrator. Any Permitted Assignee and the Administrator shall be direct beneficiaries hereof.

EFFECTIVENESS OF AGREEMENT. The effectiveness of this Agreement is subject to the execution of the documents described on Exhibit A (the "PACE Documents") and the satisfaction of any conditions precedent therein.

GOVERNING LAW; VENUE AND JURY WAIVER. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES. IF FOR ANY REASON A DISPUTE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT PROCEEDS IN COURT AS A LAWSUIT, BOTH PARTIES AGREE THAT: (1) ANY SUCH DISPUTE SHALL ONLY BE BROUGHT AS A LAWSUIT IN THE 23RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, SITTING IN KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS; (2) BOTH PARTIES IRREVOCABLY CONSENT AND SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE PERSONAL JURISDICTION AND VENUE OF SUCH COURTS; AND (3) BOTH PARTIES WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY A JURY.

NON-DISCRIMINATION. Property Owner, its officers, employees, and agents agree not to commit unlawful discrimination and agree to comply with all applicable provisions of the Illinois Human Rights Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act, and all applicable rules and regulations.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST. Both parties affirm no Kendall County officer or elected official has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in Property Owner or this Agreement, or, if any Kendall County officer or elected official does have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in Property Owner or this Agreement, that interest, and the procedure followed to effectuate this Agreement has and will comply with 50 ILCS 105/3

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF , the County and the Property Owner have caused this Agreement to be executed in their respective names by their duly authorized representatives, all as of the Effective Date.
Property Owner:
[PROPERTY OWNER]
By: Title:

[County Name] County

By: _____ Title: _____

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY, DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENTS AND NOTICE INFORMATION

Description of Property:		
Description of Improvements:		
The Improvements consist of the following:		
Notice Information:		
If to Administrator:		
With a copy to:		
The Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP 2901 Butterfield Road Oak Brook, IL 60523		
If to Property Owner:		
PACE Documents:		
PACE Documents:		
Assessment Contract		
CPACE Supplemental Agreement		
[Capital Provider Escrow Agreement, dated as of [DATE], by and between the [CAPITAL PROVIDER] and [BANK]		

Prepayment Premium:

The PACE Financing may be prepaid in accordance with the terms of the Assessment Contract and upon payment of a prepayment premium based on the following schedule:

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Pre-payment within one year of the Effective Date	%
Pre-payment after one years of the Effective Date but within two years of the Effective Date	%
Pre-payment after two years of the Effective Date but within three years of the Effective Date	%
Pre-payment after three years of the Effective Date but within four years of the Effective Date	%
Pre-payment after four years of the Effective Date but within five years of the Effective Date	%
Pre-payment after five years of the Effective Date	%

SCHEDULE I

SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENTS, INCLUDING PRINCIPAL, INTEREST AND ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A **PROPERTY** ANASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ("PACE") PROGRAM AND A PACE AREA TO FINANCE AND/OR REFINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, OR MODIFICATION OF ENERGY PROJECTS: PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000,000 TAXABLE PACE REVENUE NOTES OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE PROJECTS PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY'S PACE PROGRAM, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID NOTES, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID NOTES TO THE **PURCHASER** THEREOF: AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, Kendall County, a county duly organized and validly existing under the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois Constitution (the "Constitution") and the laws of the State of Illinois (the "County"), is a unit of local government of the State of Illinois authorized pursuant to the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act, 50 ILCS 50/1 et seq., as amended (the "PACE Act") to establish a property assessed clean energy program (the "PACE Program"), create a PACE area (as defined in the PACE Act) and finance and/or refinance energy projects (as defined in the PACE Act).

WHEREAS, the PACE Act states that a program such as the PACE Program may be administered by a program administrator (as defined in the PACE Act);

WHEREAS, the County desires to designate The Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP ("IECA") as program administrator (the "Program Administrator") for the PACE Program; and

WHEREAS, the Program Administrator has prepared the report attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Program Report") setting forth certain terms of the proposed PACE Program in conformity with the PACE Act; and

WHEREAS, the County now desires to establish the PACE area as the entire corporate limits of the County described in Exhibit B and to establish the PACE Program as further described herein and in the Program Report and to finance or refinance energy projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the PACE Act, in order to provide capital in furtherance of the PACE Program the County may issue bonds or notes pursuant to and in accordance with Section 35 of the PACE Act, secured by payments under one or more Assessment Contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Finance Authority, a body politic and corporate duly organized and validly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois (the "Authority"), is authorized to issue PACE bonds (as defined in the PACE Act) to finance or refinance energy projects in accordance with the PACE Act and pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 825-65 of the Illinois Finance Authority Act, 20 ILCS 3501/801-1 et seq. (the "Authority Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Board does hereby determine that it is advisable and in the best interests of the County to establish the Program in and for the County, designate a PACE Area, designate a program administrator, provide for property assessments, authorize the issuance of not to exceed \$500,000,000 Taxable PACE Revenue Notes or Bonds ("Bond" or "Bonds" are referred to throughout this Ordinance interchangeably as, the "Note" or the "Notes") secured by payments under one or more Assessment Contracts, within certain expressed and delegated limitations as hereinafter set forth, and approve certain related matters:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Incorporation of the Recitals. The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are true, correct and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference thereto and are made a part hereof.

Section 2. Public Purpose. The Board hereby finds that the imposition of assessments against qualifying properties on the records of the County to secure the repayment by property owners of Assessment Contracts entered into for the purpose of providing owners of qualifying properties (each an "Owner") with affordable financing or refinancing for Energy Projects (as defined in the PACE Act) pursuant to the PACE Program furthers essential public and governmental purposes of the County. The Board further finds it is necessary and in the best interests of the County to provide capital in furtherance of the PACE Program and issue the Notes for such purpose upon the terms provided herein. It is hereby found and determined that such borrowing of money is advisable for the public health, safety, welfare and convenience, is for a proper public purpose or purposes, is in the public interest, and is authorized pursuant to the PACE Act, the Counties Code of the State of Illinois, and the Local Government Debt Reform Act; and these findings and determinations shall be deemed conclusive.

Section 3. Designation of the Program Administrator. The Board hereby designates the Program Administrator as program administrator for the PACE Program on the terms and pursuant to the conditions set forth in an agreement for services between the County and the Program Administrator. In order to facilitate and finance the PACE Program, the Board hereby approves the execution and delivery of a Program Development and Administrative Services Agreement, in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B.</u> The Program Administrator shall also assist the County in determining the terms of sale of any Notes, which may be sold to one or more capital providers (each a "Purchaser").

Section 4. Report of the Program Administrator; Creation of PACE Area.

The Board hereby finds as follows:

- a. The financing and/ of energy projects is a valid public purpose and serves an essential governmental function;
- b. The County intends to facilitate access to capital from the Program Administrator approved by the County or as otherwise permitted by the PACE Act, to provide funds for energy projects which will be repaid by assessments on the property (as

defined in the PACE Act) benefitted with the agreement of the record owners (as defined in the PACE Act) of such property;

c. A description of the territory within the PACE area, the types of energy projects that may be financed and/or refinanced, and the description of the proposed arrangements for financing the PACE Program through the issuance of PACE bonds under or in accordance with Section 35 of the PACE Act, which PACE bonds may be purchased by one or more capital providers (as defined in the PACE Act); are all set forth in the Program Report which is attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Program Report is hereby incorporated by reference thereto and made a part hereof. The County hereby approves the Program Report and hereby establishes the PACE area as the corporate limits of the County, all as further described in the Program Report. The Program Report shall be made available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk of the County of Kendall (the "County Clerk").

Section 5. Note Details and Security. The Board hereby authorizes that there be borrowed for and on behalf of the County the Notes if issued, in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000 for the purposes aforesaid; and that the Notes shall be designated "Taxable PACE Revenue Note, ([Street Address] Project)" with such series or other designation as set forth in the Note Notification (as hereinafter defined). The Notes, if issued, shall be dated the date of issuance as set forth in the Note Notification and shall also bear the date of authentication, shall be in fully registered form, shall be in denominations as described in the Note Notification (but no single Note of a series shall represent installments of principal maturing on more than one date), and shall bear such further identifying information set forth in the Note. The Notes shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C, with such changes therein as such officials executing thereof shall approve, their execution to constitute conclusive evidence of their approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form before the Board, and such form and the terms contained therein are hereby approved by the Board.

Each Note, if issued, shall be secured solely by payments received by the County under and pursuant to the terms of a related Assessment Contract. The County shall make principal payments on the Note, together with applicable interest, fees, penalties, indemnities and other amounts payable to the Registered Owner under the pledged Assessment Contract, in the amounts and on the dates set forth in the Note Notification. Such County payments shall be made solely from the revenues received by the County under the related Assessment Contract, excluding (i) amounts collected from direct or indirect indemnification rights for the benefit of the County or other persons under the pledged Assessment Contract or any related document, (ii) any administrative fees and expenses to the extent payable to or on behalf of the County or its agent and (iii) sums received by the County from the collection of penalties and statutory interest on delinquent payments under such Assessment Contract, which shall be retained by the County as collections fees (the "Pledged Revenues").

Payments due on each Note shall be paid by or at the direction of the note registrar and paying agent (which shall be the Treasurer of the County (the "Treasurer"), the Registered Owner, the Program Administrator or a bank or trust company authorized to do business in the State of Illinois) as set forth in the Note Notification (the "Note Registrar"), to the person in whose name

such Note is registered (the "Registered Owner") in accordance with the Treasurer's tax disbursement schedule.

Section 6. **Execution:** Authentication. The Notes shall be executed on behalf of the County by the manual or duly authorized facsimile signature of the Chairperson of the Board and attested by the manual or duly authorized facsimile signature of the County Clerk. In case any such officer whose signature shall appear on any Note shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Note, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery. All Notes shall have thereon a certificate of authentication, substantially in the form hereinafter set forth, duly executed by the Note Registrar as authenticating agent of the County and showing the date of authentication. No Note shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under this Ordinance unless and until such certificate of authentication shall have been duly executed by the Note Registrar by manual signature, and such certificate of authentication upon any such Note shall be conclusive evidence that such Note has been authenticated and delivered under this Ordinance. The certificate of authentication on any Note shall be deemed to have been executed by it if signed by an authorized officer of the Note Registrar, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Notes issued hereunder.

Section 7. Registration of Notes; Persons Treated as Registered Owners. The County shall cause books (the "Note Register") for the registration and for the transfer of the Notes as provided in this Ordinance to be kept at the principal office of the Program Administrator or the Note Registrar (the "Principal Office"), as set forth in the Note Notification. The County is authorized to prepare, and the Note Registrar shall keep custody of, multiple Note blanks executed by the County for use in the transfer and exchange of Notes.

Any Note may be transferred or exchanged, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations, and upon payment of the charges as set forth in the Note and accompanying Form of Assignment. The Note Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Note during the period beginning at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding any payment date on such Note and ending at the opening of business on such payment date, nor to transfer or exchange any Note after notice of prepayment has been received by the Program Administrator.

The execution by the County of any fully registered Note shall constitute full and due authorization of such Note, and the Note Registrar shall thereby be authorized to authenticate, date and deliver such Note; *provided*, *however*, that the principal amount of outstanding Notes of each series and maturity authenticated by the Note Registrar shall not exceed the authorized principal amount of Notes for such series and maturity less previous retirements.

The Registered Owner shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and payments due on any Note shall be made only to or upon the order of the Registered Owner thereof or its legal representative. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Note to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Section 8. Prepayment. The Notes shall be subject to prepayment pursuant to the terms and conditions of the related Assessment Contract. Other than in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Assessment Contract and to the fullest extent permitted by applicable

law, the County shall not permit any reduction or deferral in the amount of Pledged Revenues without the written consent of the Registered Owner. The County shall, or shall cause the Program Administrator to, provide a reasonable period of time for the Registered Owner to review and approve any calculations necessary to effect prepayments in accordance with the Assessment Contract. The Program Administrator shall promptly notify the County in writing of the Notes or portions of Notes selected for prepayment and, in the case of any Note selected for partial prepayment, the principal amount thereof to be prepaid.

Section 9. Sale of Notes. Any one of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized to proceed without any further authorization or direction from the Board, to sell the Notes upon the terms as prescribed in this Ordinance; *however*, in any individual transaction where the principal amount of a series of the Notes shall exceed \$1,000,000, additional authorization or direction from the Board is required. The Program Administrator shall inform the County of any sale of notes within 30 businesses days of any sale.

The Notes hereby authorized shall be executed as in this Ordinance provided as soon after the delivery of the Note Notification as may be, and, after authentication thereof by the Note Registrar, be delivered to the Purchaser upon receipt of the purchase price therefor.

Upon the sale of a series of the Notes, the Authorized Officers shall prepare a Notification of Sale, which shall include the pertinent details of sale of such series of Notes as provided herein (the "Note Notification"). In the Note Notification, the Authorized Officers shall find and determine that such series of Notes have been sold at such price and bear interest at such rates that either the true interest cost (yield) or the net interest rate received upon the sale of such Notes does not exceed the maximum rate otherwise authorized by applicable law. Each Note Notification shall be entered into the records of the County and made available to the Board upon request; but such action shall be for information purposes only, and the Board shall have no right or authority at such time to approve or reject such sale as evidenced in a Note Notification.

Upon the sale of a series of Notes, the Authorized Officers and any other officers of the County, as shall be appropriate, shall be and are hereby authorized and directed to approve or execute, or both, such financing documents related to the sale of the Notes as may be necessary, including, without limitation, any contract for the sale of the Notes between the County and the Purchaser. Prior to the execution and delivery of a Note, the Authorized Officers shall find and determine that, to the best of their knowledge, no person holding any office of the County either by election or appointment, is in any manner financially interested, either directly, in his or her own name, or indirectly, in the name of any other person, association, trust or corporation, in the transactions contemplated herein.

The use by the Purchaser or the County of a term sheet relating to the notes (the "Term Sheet") is hereby ratified, approved and authorized; the execution and delivery of the Term Sheet is hereby authorized; and the Authorized Officers are hereby authorized to take any action as may be required on the part of the County to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance, the Term Sheet and the Notes.

Section 10. Funds and Accounts.

- A. There is hereby created the "PACE Note and Interest Fund" of the County (the "Note Fund"), which shall be a separate fund for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes. The County shall create a subaccount of the Note Fund for each series of the Notes issued (each a "Note Fund Subaccount"). The Pledged Revenues and any other funds lawfully available for the purpose shall be timely deposited upon receipt by the County into a Note Fund Subaccount and used solely and only for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the related Notes. Accrued interest, if any, received upon delivery of the Notes, together with the amount of proceeds of the Notes as set forth in a Note Notification, shall be deposited as set forth in a Note Notification and be applied to pay the first interest coming due on such Notes. The County hereby assigns to the Registered Owner of a Note all of its right, title and interest in and to all Pledged Revenues maintained in the related Note Fund Subaccount and agrees to hold such amounts in trust for the benefit of the Registered Owner.
- B. The remaining proceeds of the Notes and any premium received on the delivery of the Notes are hereby appropriated to pay the costs of issuance of the Notes, and that portion thereof not needed to pay such costs is hereby ordered to be deposited and held in a separate project fund (each a "Project Fund") specific to and as referenced in the related Assessment Contract to pay costs of the project being financed thereby. It is not currently anticipated that the County will hold any Project Fund. Proceeds of any Note issued to refund or refinance existing Notes, Assessment Contracts or other obligations shall be deposited as set forth in the related Note Notification.
- C. At the time of the issuance of the Notes, the costs of issuance of the Notes may be paid by the Purchaser, the Owner, the Program Administrator or the Note Registrar on behalf of the County. The County shall not be responsible for any costs of issuance.

Section 11. Property Assessments. For the purpose of providing funds required to pay annual amounts due from Owners under the Assessment Contracts, and which amounts may be assigned by the County in furtherance of the PACE Program, there is hereby assessed upon property within the County and subject to an Assessment Contract, in the years for which amounts due under such Assessment Contract are outstanding, a direct annual assessment for that purpose; such assessment shall be in addition to all other assessments and taxes of the County.

Any such assessments are to be collected at the same time and in the same manner as taxes collected under the Illinois Property Tax Code.

The County expressly intends to assign and/or pledge payments to be received from each such Assessment Contract in furtherance of the PACE Program. The County covenants and agrees with the beneficial holders of assessments, including Registered Owners, that so long as such assessments remain outstanding, the County will take no action or fail to take any action which in any way would adversely affect the ability of the County to assess and collect the assessments provided for in this Ordinance. The County and its officers will comply with all present and future applicable laws in order to assure that the assessments may be permitted to be assessed, extended, and collected pursuant to applicable law.

Section 12. Limited Obligation of the County. Any obligation of the County, including the Notes, to provide funds pursuant to an assignment of amounts to be received under

an Assessment Contract shall be a special, limited obligation of the County, payable solely from the funds provided in such Assessment Contract and is not a general obligation of the County, and the full faith and credit of the County is not pledged to the payment of any obligation secured by such assigned amounts, including the Notes. The Assessment Contracts and any obligations secured thereby, including the Notes, shall be payable solely and only from payments of assessments on benefitted property within the PACE Area, and if applicable from revenue sources or reserves established in support of such obligations. **Covenants of the County.** The County shall not amend an Assessment Contract or any related Notes in any manner that is materially adverse to the Registered Owner of a Note without such Registered Owner's prior written consent. The County covenants and agrees with each Registered Owner that so long as any Note remains outstanding, the County will take no action or fail to take any action which in any way would adversely affect the ability of the County to assess and collect the Pledged Revenues. The County and its officers will comply with all present and future applicable laws in order to assure that the Pledged Revenues may be permitted to be assessed, extended, and collected pursuant to applicable law.

Section 15. No Conflicts; Further Acts of the County. It is hereby found that no person holding any office of the County either by election or appointment, is in any manner financially interested, either directly, in his or her own name, or indirectly, in the name of any other person, association, trust or corporation, in the transactions contemplated hereby.

When financing documents are executed and delivered by or on behalf of the County in support of the PACE Program, such financing documents will be binding on the County; from and after the execution and delivery of such financing documents, the officers, employees, and agents of the County are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of such financing documents as executed.

Section 16. Additional Ordinances. The Board may adopt additional ordinances or proceedings supplementing or amending this Ordinance. Such additional ordinances or proceedings shall in all instances become effective immediately without publication or posting or any further act or requirement. This Ordinance, together with such additional ordinances or proceedings, shall constitute complete authority for the County to implement the PACE Program, make the property assessments described herein and issue the Notes, all in accordance with applicable law.

Section 18. No Public Hearing; Program Established. The Board hereby finds that no public hearing shall be required in connection with the adoption or amendment of the PACE Program and hereby establishes the PACE Program in accordance with the Program Report.

Section 19. Assessment Contract. The form of "assessment contract" (as defined in the PACE Act) attached as Appendix A to the Program Report is hereby approved by the County. Any one of the County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator, or their designee (each, an "Authorized Officer") is hereby authorized to negotiate, execute, and deliver one or more assessment contracts with record owners meeting the requirements set forth in the Program Report (each, an "Assessment Contract") in substantially the form of Appendix A to the Program Report, with such changes, deletions, and insertions as shall be approved by the Authorized Officer and

such other supporting documents as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out and comply with the provisions of such Assessment Contract, and upon execution to record such Assessment Contract with the Recorder of Deeds of Kendall County. The execution of such agreements and instruments shall be conclusive evidence of such approval. Prior to execution of any Assessment Contract, the Authorized Officer shall make the determination set forth in clause (i) below and shall have received evidence of items (ii) through (xi) below, to be documented in a written notification, certified by the property owner, to be filed with the office of the County Clerk:

- i. that the property to be assessed is entirely within the PACE area of the County;
- ii. that there are no delinquent taxes, special assessments or water or sewer charges on the property to be assessed;
- iii. that there are no delinquent assessments on the property under a property assessed clean energy program;
- iv. whether there are any involuntary liens on the property, including, but not limited to, construction or mechanics liens, lis pendens or judgments against the record owner, environmental proceedings, or eminent domain proceedings;
- v. that no notices of default or other evidence of property-based debt delinquency have been recorded and not cured;
- vi. that the record owner is current on all mortgage debt on the property, the record owner has not filed for bankruptcy in the last 2 years, and the property is not an asset in a current bankruptcy proceeding;
- vii. that all work requiring a license under any applicable law to acquire, construct, install, or modify an energy project shall be performed by a licensed contractor that has agreed to adhere to a set of terms and conditions through a process established by the County or the Program Administrator and described in the Program Report;
- viii. that the contractor or contractors to be used have signed a written acknowledgement that the County will not authorize final payment to the contractor or contractors until the County has received written confirmation from the record owner that the energy project was properly acquired, constructed, installed or modified and is operating as intended; provided, however, that the contractor or contractors retain all legal rights and remedies in the event there is a disagreement with the record owner;
- ix. that the aggregate amount financed or refinanced under one or more assessment contracts does not exceed 25% in relation to the greater of any of the following:
 - (A) the value of the property as determined by the office of the county assessor; or

- (B) the value of the property as determined by an appraisal conducted by a licensed appraiser;
- x. that an evaluation of the existing water or energy use and a modeling of expected monetary savings have been conducted for any proposed energy efficiency improvement (as defined in the PACE Act), renewable energy improvement (as defined in the PACE Act), or water use improvement (as defined in the PACE Act), unless the water use improvement is undertaken to improve water quality in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Program Report; and
- xi. before entering into the Assessment Contract with the County, the record owner shall have provided to the mortgage holders of any existing mortgages encumbering or otherwise securing the property a notice of the record owner's intent to enter into the Assessment Contract with the County, together with the maximum principal amount to be financed or refinanced and the maximum assessment necessary to repay that amount, along with an additional request that the mortgage holders of any existing mortgages consent to the record owner subjecting the property to the PACE Program. Prior to the execution of any Assessment Contract, the County shall have been provided with a copy or other proof of those notices and the written consent of the mortgage holder for the record owner to enter into the Assessment Contract which acknowledges that (a) the existing mortgage or mortgages for which consent was received will be subordinate to the Assessment Contract and the lien created thereby and (b) the County or, if applicable, its permitted assignee (as defined in the PACE Act) can foreclose the property if the assessments are not paid.

Section 20. Additional Actions. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized:

- i. to approve the form of Program Handbook of the Program Administrator (as defined in the Program Report) setting forth certain additional requirements, procedures, and descriptions relating to the PACE Program and to negotiate, execute, and deliver such other supporting documents as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the PACE Program;
- ii. in connection with the issuance of PACE bonds by the Authority to finance energy projects in accordance with the PACE Act and pursuant to subsection (d) of Section 825-65 of the Authority Act, to negotiate, execute, and deliver one or more agreements assigning to the Authority an Assessment Contract securing such PACE bonds; and
- iii. to approve changes, updates, amendments, modifications or supplements to the Program Report to the extent such changes, updates, amendments, modifications or supplements comply with the parameters and requirements set forth in the PACE Act.

Section 21. Enactment. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be separable and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, such declaration shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of the sections, phrases and provisions hereof. All ordinances, orders and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed, and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its adoption. No provision of the County Code or violation of any provision of the County Code shall be deemed to impair the validity of this Ordinance or the instruments authorized by this Ordinance or to impair the security for or payment of the instruments authorized by this Ordinance; provided further, however, that the foregoing shall not be deemed to affect the availability of any other remedy or penalty for any violation of any provision of the County Code.

Section 22. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 23. Repealer and Effective Date. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

A copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form, filed in the office of the County Clerk and made available for public inspection.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and approval.

IN WITNESS OF, this (Ordinance has been enacted by a majority vote of the
Kendall County Board this day of _	, 2021.
Attest:	
Debbie Gillette	Scott R. Gryder
Kendall County Clerk	Kendall County Board Chairman

EXHIBIT A

Report of Program Administrator

EXHIBIT B

Form of Administrative Services Agreement

EXHIBIT C

Form of Note

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF _____, ILLINOIS

AND

THE ILLINOIS ENERGY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY NFP

Dated as of

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PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT

This PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT (as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, this "Agreement") is entered into as of, 20 (the "Effective Date") between The County of (the "County"), and The Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP, an Illinois not for profit corporation ("IECA"), as administrator (in such capacity, the "Administrator").
RECITALS
A. The County desires to adopt a resolution (the "Resolution") authorizing the County to create and administer the (the "Program") in compliance with Illinois Public Act 100-0077, the Illinois Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (50 ILCS 50) for the qualification, approval, granting, administration and collection of Program loans;
B. The County wishes to contract with a Person (1) to work with the County to develop the Program terms and documents and (2) to act as the program administrator for the Program (the period during which the program terms and documents are being developed shall be referred to herein as " <i>Phase I</i> ", and the period during which the Program shall operate shall be referred to herein as " <i>Phase 2</i> ");
C. Administrator is a nonprofit corporation formed to act as a program administrator that will contract with various entities with experience in energy efficiency and PACE (as defined below) programs to assist in the offering of program administration services, and its contractors have experience in energy efficiency financing programs; and
D. The County desires to retain the services of IECA to develop the terms and documentation of the Program during Phase I pursuant to the terms set forth herein and act as administrator for the Program as set forth herein in an amended and restated version of this Agreement during Phase 2.
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:
AGREEMENT
Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit A.
ARTICLE 1 ADMINISTRATOR SERVICES
1.1 Engagement of Administrator; Term. On the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the County hereby engages Administrator to develop and the PACE Program Manual (and, after approval by the County Board, eventually perform) the Services for the Program for Eligible Properties (as defined in Exhibit A). Performance of the Services shall

commence on the Effective Date and shall continue for a period of five (5) calendar years (the "Term").

- **1.2 Acceptance by Administrator.** Administrator accepts the engagement referred to in Section 1.1 and agrees to perform the Services for the County.
- **1.3 Program Administration Services.** The "Administration Services" shall consist of the Program administration services set forth in Exhibit B. In addition, the Administrator shall maintain complete and adequate books and records of all documents (including any originals thereof) related to the operation of the Program during the Term.
- 1.4 Supplemental Services. Administrator may perform the "Supplemental Services" set forth in Exhibit C. The Administrator may provide the Supplemental Services, Administrator shall submit to the County, draft Program documentation to describe the Supplemental Service and any supplemental fee to be paid to the Administrator therefor (the "Supplemental Documentation"). If the County accepts the proposed Supplemental Documentation and notifies the Administrator of its acceptance of the Administrator's provision of the Supplemental Service(s) in writing, then the Supplemental Documentation shall become part of the Program Documents and the Administrator may charge for such Supplemental Service(s).
- 1.5 The Services. The Administration Services, any Supplemental Services approved pursuant to Section 1.4 and any Non-Agreed Services under Section 1.6, performed by the Administrator under this Agreement shall together be the "Services".
- 1.6 Acknowledgment of Program Development and Set-up Services. The County acknowledges that Administrator has heretofore performed certain Program development and set-up services and expended considerable resources for which Administrator is not seeking direct cost recovery.
- 1.7 Standard of Performance. (a) The Administrator shall perform the Services in material compliance with the standards of care and performance set forth in this Section 1.7. The Administrator shall perform the Services in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the terms and requirements of the Program Documents and Applicable Laws and consistent with professional standards for services of this kind. The parties hereto agree that in connection with the specification of the Services to be performed during Phase 2, the parties will negotiate additional protective language consistent with agreements for services.
 - (b) The Administrator may engage Subcontractors as reasonably believed by the Administrator to be necessary or desirable to perform the Services; <u>provided</u> that (i) the fees of such Subcontractors shall be paid by the Administrator; and (ii) the Administrator shall at all times be responsible for the performance of all Services, whether performed by Administrator or its Subcontractor. With respect to the selection of any Subcontractor for the performance of any of the Services, the Administrator shall exercise reasonable care to select reasonably well-qualified Subcontractors based on their experience, availability, reputation and creditworthiness and shall supervise and monitor such Subcontractors' performance of such delegated activity or duty in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and Applicable Laws.

- (c) The Administrator agrees to comply in all material respects with all applicable Illinois and federal laws in the performance of its duties under this Agreement.
- 1.8 Audit. The Administrator agrees that the County shall have the right to conduct an audit of the Administrator's books and records maintained related to the Program reflecting the financial, compliance and performance information of the Program, provided that the County shall be responsible for all costs related to engaging any outside auditors, and shall be limited to conducting only one (1) audit per calendar year. The County shall provide the Administrator with no less than five (5) Business Days' advance written notice. Such audit shall be conducted at the expense of the County, during the Administrator's normal business hours, and so as to minimize the disruption of the Administrator's business, including the operation of the Program. The County agrees to provide the Administrator with a draft report of the findings from the audit at least ten (10) Business Days prior to its planned release or publication in order to provide the Administrator with the right to respond to any findings therein.
- **1.9 Insurance.** The Administrator shall maintain, at all times, during the Term the following insurance, and shall deliver ACORD certificates to the County evidencing the same is in force.
 - (a) Commercial General Liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate;
 - (b) Employer's Liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$1,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (c) Automobile Liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000;
 - (d) Professional Errors and Omissions insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (e) Personal and Advertising Injury insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (f) Medical expense insurance with a minimum coverage of \$5,000 per employee;
 - (g) Umbrella insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 (including retention for self-insured hazards in an amount of \$1,000,000); and
 - (h) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance in the event the Administrator has any employees.
- **1.10 Exclusions.** Nothing in the Agreement, including Exhibit B or Exhibit C, will imply any duty of the Administrator under any circumstances to expend its own funds in payment of the County's expenses, except as expressly provided herein.

ARTICLE 2 COUNTY OBLIGATIONS.

2.1 County Obligations. The County shall perform the following obligations:

- (a) **Duty to Cooperate.** The County shall cooperate in good faith with the Administrator in taking all actions reasonably requested by the Administrator and providing any documentation as required in connection with the Administrator's performance of the Services and its other obligations hereunder by, without limitation, supporting the Administrator's efforts to develop the Program Manual and the other Program Documents.
- (b) Agreement to Negotiate. The County agrees to negotiate in good faith the terms of the duties of the Administrator with respect to the Program within the initial Term.
- **2.2 Exclusivity.** The County shall not contract with any third party to perform the Services, including any Supplemental Services, or to operate the Program during the Term, without the Administrator's express written consent.

ARTICLE 3 ADMINISTRATION FEES

3.1 Administration Fees. The Administrator shall be compensated for its performance of the Administration Services by collecting and retaining the fees and charges solely from applicants and owners of Eligible Properties with a completed Project thereon including the following (collectively, the "Administration Fees"). The County shall not be obligated to pay any fees to the Administrator for services performed by the Administrator. The parties hereto agree that the fees to be paid for any supplemental services provided by the Administrator for services requested by the County after the date hereof shall be negotiated by the parties

ARTICLE 4 TERMINATION

4.1 Administrator Events of Default.

- (a) The County may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to the Administrator in the event of any of the following events of default by the Administrator:
 - (i) an Insolvency Event occurs with respect to the Administrator and remains undismissed or unstayed for a period of sixty (60) days; or
 - (ii) the Administrator violates in any material respect any of the provisions of this Agreement, which violation remains uncured for thirty (30) days following the Administrator's receipt of written notice thereof from the County; provided that, if such violation is capable of cure and the Administrator is diligently attempting to cure such violation, the Administrator's opportunity to cure shall be extended for so long as is reasonably necessary to cure such violation (not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days after the original notice from the County); or

- (iii) a representation made by the Administrator in or pursuant to this Agreement is proven to have been false or misleading in any material respect as of the date on which it was made and (A) has not been cured within thirty (30) days following the Administrator's receipt of written notice thereof from the County or (B) is not capable of being cured; or
- (iv) the Administrator assigns or transfers this Agreement or any right or interest herein except in accordance with Section 9.4; or
- (v) the Administrator engages in any act of bad faith, fraud, gross negligence or willful misconduct with regard to, or in the performance of its obligations under, this Agreement.
- (b) **County Remedies.** The County shall promptly (no later than thirty (30) days) notify the Administrator in writing upon the occurrence of any of the events set forth in Section 4.1(a). Upon termination of this Agreement for any of the reasons set forth in Section 4.1(a): (i) the County may instruct the Administrator to immediately discontinue the Services, (ii) the Administrator shall be entitled to all undisputed amounts due to the Administrator under this Agreement and not yet paid as of the date of termination (whether or not invoiced), (iii) the Administrator shall pay the County for any amounts due to the County under this Agreement and not yet paid as of the date of termination (whether or not invoiced); and (iv) the County shall have further remedies as may be allowed by law.

4.2 County Events of Default.

- (a) The Administrator may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to the County in the event of any of the following events of default by the County:
 - (i) The County violates in any material respect any of the provisions of this Agreement not otherwise set forth in this <u>Section 4.2(a)</u>. which violation remains uncured for thirty (30) days following the County's receipt of written notice thereof from the Administrator; <u>provided</u> that, if such violation is capable of cure and the County is diligently attempting to cure such violation, the County's opportunity to cure shall be extended for so long as is reasonably necessary to cure such violation (not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days after the original notice from the Administrator); or
 - (ii) a representation made by the County in or pursuant to this Agreement is proven to have been false or misleading in any material respect as of the date on which it was made and (A) has not been cured within thirty (30) days following the County's receipt of written notice thereof from the Administrator or (B) is not capable of being cured; or
 - (iii) The County assigns or transfers this Agreement or any right or interest herein except in accordance with <u>Section 9.4</u>.

(b) Administrator Remedies. The Administrator shall promptly notify the County in writing upon the occurrence of any of the events set forth in Section 4.2(a). Upon termination of this Agreement for any of the reasons set forth in this Section 4.2, (i) the Administrator may immediately discontinue the Services, (ii) the Administrator shall be entitled to all undisputed amounts due to the Administrator under this Agreement and not yet paid as of the date of termination (whether or not invoiced) and the County shall pay, or cause to be paid, any fees or expenses associated with the cessation of services and the performance of the Administrator's obligations under Section 4.5 and (iii) the Administrator shall pay the County for any amounts due to the County under this Agreement and not yet paid as of the date of termination (whether or not invoiced).

4.3 Termination for Force Majeure.

Either Party may terminate this Agreement if the other Party (i) gives notice of a Force Majeure Event pursuant to Section 7.1 and (ii) fails to give notice of cessation of the Force Majeure Event pursuant to Section 7.2(ii) within ninety (90) days thereafter.

4.4 Termination for Convenience. This Agreement may be terminated by the County upon written notice delivered to the Administrator at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of termination. No additional payments, penalties and/or early termination charges shall be required upon termination of the Agreement.

4.5 Effect of Termination.

- (a) **Termination Notice.** A Party terminating this Agreement pursuant to this Article 4 shall deliver to the other Party a written notice of termination to that effect (the "Termination Notice"), which shall (i) specify in reasonable detail the circumstances giving rise to the Termination Notice, or (ii) state that it is a termination for convenience pursuant to Section 4.4. If no such specification is provided, then the termination shall be deemed to be a termination for convenience. Except to the extent otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall terminate on the date specified in the Termination Notice, which date shall not be earlier than the date upon which the applicable Party is entitled to effect such termination as provided above.
- (b) **No Prejudice.** Termination of this Agreement shall not affect any rights or obligations as between the Parties which may have accrued prior to such termination. In addition, termination of this Agreement for any reason shall be without prejudice to Administrator 's right to receive a proportional amount of the Administration Fees as of the date of termination and without prejudice to any Eligible Participant or other parties to a PACE transaction. The remedies provided for in this Agreement shall be the sole and exclusive remedies for any breach of this Agreement or any indemnification provided for herein, provided that each Party shall be entitled to specifically enforce this Agreement.

4.6 Administrator Obligations after Termination.

(a) Final Accounting. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, the Administrator shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the County all books, records, contracts, plans, specifications, reports, studies, leases, rent rolls, receipts for deposits,

unpaid bills, and other papers, materials, supplies, documents or properties (including information stored in a computer) which are in the Administrator's possession or control and which relate to the Program or the Services.

- (b) Consult with the County. For a period of sixty (60) days after termination of this Agreement, the Administrator shall make one representative available to the County and/or a successor administrator for up to twenty-five (25) man-hours, during normal business hours, to consult with and advise the County and/or such successor administrator regarding the performance of the Services pursuant to this Agreement in order to ensure an orderly transition between administrative teams. The Administrator shall be entitled to compensation for such services at its then current hourly rates unless this Agreement is terminated as a result of any default by the Administrator.
- **4.7 Survival.** The provisions of <u>Sections 4.1(b), 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 9.1, 9.3, 9.7, 9.8, 9.9, 9.10, 9.11, 9.12, 9.13, 9.15, 9.16 and <u>Article 5</u> and <u>Article 6</u> shall survive termination of this Agreement.</u>

ARTICLE 5 INDEMNIFICATIONS

5.1 Indemnification. The Administrator shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend, with counsel of the County's own choosing, the County, its agents, officials, and employees, from and against all injuries, losses, claims, suits, costs and expenses which may accrue against the County as a consequence of entering into this Agreement. The Administrator agrees to save, hold harmless, defend and indemnify the County and its officers, agents, and employees, from any and all liability or loss incurred by the County resulting from the Administrator's noncompliance with any laws or regulations of the County or the State of Illinois and/or the Administrator's violation of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and from the Administrator's negligence or willful misconduct arising from, in any manner and in any way connected with, the terms and conditions of this Agreement and arising from the Administrator's performance thereunder, except to the extent that such liability or loss is caused by the gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct on the part of the County or its officers, agents, and employees.

ARTICLE 6 LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- **6.1 General Limitation.** The Administrator shall only be liable for its express duties hereunder, and the Administrator shall have no implied duties hereunder.
- **6.2 Damages Limited.** Except in the case of fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence or indemnity claims by an Indemnified Party on account of third party claims against such Indemnified Party, neither Party shall be liable for any consequential, moral (i.e., pain and suffering), exemplary, indirect or incidental losses or damages whatsoever, or for any loss of use,

loss of production, cost of capital, loss of goodwill, loss of opportunity, loss of revenues or profit or the loss of use thereof, or damage to or loss of any property or equipment, whether based in contract, in tort (including negligence and strict liability) or on any other legal or equitable theory. Except as expressly provided in Article 5 or this Article 6, neither Party shall be liable for any damages arising out of, or related to, directly or indirectly, this Agreement or the performance, non-performance or breach hereof, whether based in contract, in tort (including negligence and strict liability) or on any other legal or equitable theory.

ARTICLE 7 FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS

- 7.1 Notice of Force Majeure Event. A Party claiming a Force Majeure Event shall notify the other Party in writing of any delay or anticipated delay in the claiming Party's performance of this Agreement due to such Force Majeure Event, and such notice shall include a description of the event and anticipated length of the delay. The claiming Party shall deliver such notice as soon as practicable.
- 7.2 Effect of Force Majeure Event. The claiming Party shall be excused from the performance of its obligations under this Agreement to the extent that the claiming Party is prevented from performing such obligations by reason of the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, provided that (a) the suspension of performance shall be of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is reasonably required by the Force Majeure Event, (b) no liability of either Party which arose before the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event causing the suspension of performance shall be excused as a result of such occurrence, and (c) the Administrator shall use commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate its costs after receiving notice that the Subcontractors have been affected by Force Majeure. The claiming Party (i) shall exercise commercially reasonable efforts to minimize and mitigate the effects of any Force Majeure Event; and (ii) provide prompt notice to the other Party of the cessation of the event or condition giving rise to its excuse from performance.

ARTICLE 8 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- **8.1** Representations and Warranties of the County. The County hereby represents and warrants as follows on the Effective Date:
 - (a) The County is duly organized, and validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and has the full power to operate the Program.
 - (b) The execution, delivery and performance by the County of this Agreement will not violate or conflict with any Applicable Law or any covenant, agreement or understanding to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected, or its organizational documents.
 - (c) There are no actions, suits, proceedings, patent or license infringements or investigations pending or, to the County's actual knowledge, threatened against it or involving the Program before any court or arbitrator that individually or in the aggregate could reasonably be expected to result in any materially adverse effect on the business,

properties or assets or the condition, financial or otherwise, of the County or in any material impairment of the County's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

- (d) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by or on behalf of the County and is, upon execution and delivery by each of the Parties hereto, the legal, valid and binding obligation of the County, enforceable against the County in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles.
- (e) Neither the execution nor delivery by the County of this Agreement requires the consent or approval of, or the giving of notice to or registration with, or the taking of any other action in respect of, any Governmental Authority that has not been taken as of the Effective Date.
- **8.2** Representations and Warranties of Administrator. The Administrator hereby represents and warrants as follows on the Effective Date:
 - (a) The Administrator is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and has full power to engage in the business it presently conducts and contemplates conducting under this Agreement.
 - (b) The execution, delivery and performance by the Administrator of this Agreement will not violate or conflict with any Applicable Law or any covenant, agreement or understanding to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected, or its organizational documents.
 - (c) There are no actions, suits, proceedings, patent or license infringements or investigations pending or, to the Administrator's knowledge, threatened against it before any court or arbitrator or Governmental Authority that individually or in the aggregate could reasonably be expected to result in any materially adverse effect on the business, properties or assets or the condition, financial or otherwise, of the Administrator or in any material impairment of its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.
 - (d) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by or on behalf of the Administrator and is, upon execution and delivery by each of the Parties hereto, the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Administrator, enforceable against the Administrator in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles.
 - (e) Neither the execution nor delivery by the Administrator of this Agreement requires the consent or approval of, or the giving of notice to or registration with, or the taking of any other action in respect of, any Governmental Authority.
 - (f) The Administrator has adequate resources for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and has experience in the administration of energy

efficiency and renewable energy financing programs such as the Program and is fully qualified to perform the Services in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9 MISCELLANEOUS

- 9.1 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Illinois, excluding any of its conflict of law provisions that would require the application of the laws of another jurisdiction. Subject to the provisions of this Article 2., for purposes of resolving any Dispute arising under or relating to this Agreement, the Parties hereby submit to exclusive jurisdiction of the County of Kendall, Illinois, Circuit Court. Each Party hereby waives any objection that it may have to the venue of such action, suit or proceeding in such court or that such suit, action or proceeding in such court was brought in an inconvenient court and agrees not to plead or claim the same. Each Party further agrees that such court shall have in personam jurisdiction over each of them with respect to any such dispute, controversy, or proceeding. EACH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BYLAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO A TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO ANY DISPUTE ARISING UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.
- **9.2 Amendments.** No amendment to this Agreement shall be binding on the Parties unless set out in writing and signed by authorized representatives of each of the Parties.
- **9.3 No Waiver.** No provision of, or entitlement under, this Agreement shall be deemed to be waived by either Party unless such waiver is made in writing and identified as such. The failure of either Party to insist, on one or more occasions, upon strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement or to take advantage of its rights hereunder or the delay or failure in exercising totally or partially any right or remedy under this Agreement, shall not be construed as a waiver of any such provisions or the relinquishment of any such rights or any other rights for the future, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect.

9.4 Assignment.

- (a) Except as set forth in Section 9.4(b), no Party shall be entitled to assign this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, which may be withheld in its sole and absolute discretion.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party shall be entitled to assign its right, obligation, title and interest in and to this Agreement to any of its Affiliates or in connection with a merger or acquisition of substantially all of the assets of a Party and continued validity thereof, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (x) the assigning Party is the surviving entity in any such merger, and (y) such an assignment shall not release the assigning party from any of its liabilities or obligations under this Agreement. Any purported assignment of this Agreement in violation of this <u>Section 9.4</u> shall be null and void.
- 9.5 Conflict of Interest. Both parties affirm no Kendall County officer or elected official has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the Administrator or this Agreement, or, if any Kendall County officer or elected official does have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the Administrator or this Agreement, that interest, and the procedure followed to effectuate this Agreement has and will comply with 50 ILCS 105/3.

- **9.6** Illinois Freedom of Information Act. (a) "Public records" are all records, reports, forms, writings, letters, memoranda, books, papers, maps, photographs, microfilms, cards, tapes, recordings, electronic data processing records, electronic communications, recorded information and all other documentary materials pertaining to the transaction of public business, regardless of physical form or characteristics, having been prepared by or for, or having been or being used by, received by, in the possession of, or under the control of any public body. (5 ILCS 140/2(c)) It is the subject matter of the record, not its form, that determines whether the record is a public record.
- (b) The Administrator understands that this Agreement and other materials submitted to the County may constitute public records subject to disclosure under Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, et seq.
- 9.7 Intellectual Property. The Administrator shall not obtain trademarks, copyrights or other intellectual property rights that contain or are reasonably likely to be confused with the County or any agent, representative or affiliate of the County, including abbreviations thereof and acronyms therefor. The County expressly acknowledges and agrees that any and all computer software and all source code thereof developed by the Administrator ("Proprietary Software") in performing the Services, including all intellectual property rights contained therein, is proprietary and property of the Administrator or its licensors.

The Administrator acknowledges and agrees that all intellectual property rights to the names "Kendall County," or "Kendall County PACE Program" shall belong to the County. The Administrator shall not market or otherwise hold out the Program under any name other than "Kendall County PACE Program." The Administrator agrees not to use the name, seal or image of The County of Kendall in any form of endorsement without the written permission of the County.

- **9.8 Further Assurances.** The Parties will each use its commercially reasonable efforts to implement the provisions of this Agreement, and for such purpose each, at the reasonable request of the other, will, without further consideration, promptly execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, to the other such assistance, or assignments, consents or other instruments in addition to those required by this Agreement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the other, as the other may reasonably deem necessary or desirable to implement any provision of this Agreement.
- 9.9 No Agency. The Parties are independent contractors. Nothing in this Agreement is intended, or shall be construed, to create any association, joint venture, agency relationship or partnership between the Parties or to impose any such obligation or liability upon either Party. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to give either Party any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act as an agent or representative of, or otherwise bind, the other Party, except as expressly set forth herein.
- **9.10 Notices.** Any notice, request, demand or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement, shall be deemed to be properly given by the sender and received by the addressee if made in writing and: (a) hand-delivered; (b) delivered by a reputable overnight

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¹ Need to discuss ownership of data gathered or developed

courier service requiring signature for receipt; (c) mailed by certified or registered air mail, post prepaid, with a return receipt requested; (d) sent by facsimile; or (e) delivered as a .pdf attachment to an e-mail. Any such notice, request, demand or other communication shall be effective on receipt by the addressee; <u>provided</u> that notice via facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be deemed effective upon written acknowledgement of receipt by the addressee. Notices given pursuant to this <u>Section 9.10</u> shall be addressed as follows to (as the same may be amended from time to time by notice given pursuant to this <u>Section 9.10</u>):

if to the Administrator:

2901 Butterfield Road Oak Brook, Illinois 60523 Attention: Mark Pikus

e-mail: mark.pikus@iecapace.org Facsimile No.: (630) 218-4900

with a copy to:

The Inland Real Estate Group, LLC 2901 Butterfield Road Oak Brook, Illinois 60523 Attention: Janet Heintz e-mail: jheintz@inlandgroup.com

e-mail: jheintz@inlandgroup.con Facsimile No.: (630) 218-4900

and to:

Chapman and Cutler LLP 111 West Monroe Street Chicago, Illinois 60603 Attention: John C. Hitt, Jr. e-mail: hitt@chapman.com Facsimile No.: (312) 701-2361

If to the County:

Attention:		
e-mail:		
Facsimile No.: ()	

- Rules of Interpretation. Unless the context requires otherwise: (i) the singular 9.11 includes the plural and vice versa, (ii) the word "including" means "including, without limitation", (iii) references to "Articles", "Sections", "Schedules" and "Exhibits" are to articles, sections, schedules and exhibits to this Agreement, (iv) the words "herein", "hereof' and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular section or subsection of this Agreement, (v) references to this Agreement include a reference to all schedules and exhibits hereto, as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented or replaced from time to time, (vi) references to any other agreement mean such agreement as in effect on the Effective Date, including all schedules and exhibits thereto, as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented or replaced from time to time with any required consent of the County or the Administrator, as applicable, (vii) references to a statute or to a regulation issued by a Governmental Authority are references to the statute or regulation in force as of the Effective Date, together with all amendments and supplements thereto and any statute or regulation substituted for or superseding such statute or regulation in force as of the Effective Date, (viii) "shall" and "will" mean "must" and have equal force and effect and express an obligation, (ix) this Agreement will be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties and no presumption or burden of proof will arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provision in this Agreement, (x) the word "or" in this Agreement is disjunctive but not necessarily exclusive, (xi) references in this Agreement to time periods in terms of a certain number of days mean calendar days unless expressly stated herein to be Business Days, and (xii) headings used in this Agreement are for ease of reference only and shall not be taken into account in the interpretation or construction of the provisions of this Agreement.
- **9.12 Complete Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the complete and entire Agreement between the Parties and supersedes any previous communications, negotiations, representations or agreements, whether oral or in writing, with respect to the subject matter addressed herein. NO PRIOR COURSE OF DEALING BETWEEN THE PARTIES SHALL FORM PART OF, OR SHALL BE USED IN THE INTERPRETATION OR CONSTRUCTION OF, THIS AGREEMENT.
- 9.13 Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any portion or provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision hereof. Any invalid or unenforceable portion or provision shall be deemed severed from this Agreement and the balance of this Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if this Agreement did not contain such invalid or unenforceable portion or provision. If any such provision of this Agreement is so declared invalid, the Parties shall promptly negotiate in good faith new provisions to eliminate such invalidity and to restore this Agreement as near as possible to its original intent and effect (including economic effect).
- **9.14 Multiple Counterparts.** This Agreement and any amendments of this Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. Executed counterparts of this Agreement may be delivered by facsimile or email, <u>provided</u> that each Party shall promptly thereafter deliver one original signature page to the other Party.
- **9.15 Third Party Beneficiaries.** The provisions of this Agreement are intended for the sole benefit of the County and Administrator and there are no third-party beneficiaries hereof (except as expressly set forth herein).

- **9.16 Attorney's Fees.** If any legal action or other proceeding is brought for the enforcement of this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to be awarded its reasonable attorney's fees, expert fees, expenses and costs incurred in connection with such action or proceeding.
- 9.17 NON-DISCRIMINATION: The County will not contract with any person or firm that discriminates against employees or applicants for employment because of any factor not related to job performance. The Administrator agrees to comply in all material respects with all federal, state and local laws and policies that are applicable to it that prohibit discrimination in employment contracts. The Administrator agrees to include in each subcontract relating to the Services provisions that prohibit the related subcontractor from discriminating in its employment practices in any way that violates any federal, state and local laws and policies that are applicable to such subcontractor.
- **9.18** Drug Free Workplace. The Administrator agrees to provide a drug free workplace as provided for in The Drug Free Workplace Act (30 ILCS 480/1 et seq.).

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

COUNTY:
THE COUNTY OF
By:
Name:
Its:
ADMINISTRATOR:
THE ILLINOIS ENERGY CONSERVATION
AUTHORITY NFP
By:
Name:
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Exhibit A

Defined Terms

As used in the attached Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Additional Term" has the meaning given in Section 1.1.

"Administration Fees" has the meaning given in Section 3.1.

"Administration Services" has the meaning given in Section 1.3.

"Administrator" has the meaning given in the preamble of this Agreement.

'Affiliate" means, when used with reference to a specified Person, any Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the specified Person; provided, however, that (i) with respect to the Administrator, "Affiliate" shall not include the County and (ii) with respect to the County, "Affiliate" shall not include Administrator.

"Agreement" has the meaning given in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Applicable Law(s)" means, with respect to any Person, any constitutional provision, law, statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, treaty, order, decree, judgment, decision, certificate, injunction, registration, guideline, Governmental Approval or consent or requirement of a Governmental Authority, in each case which is applicable to or binding on such Person.

"Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday or a public holiday, on which banks are generally open for business in Wheaton, Illinois.

"Calendar Quarter" means each January 1 through March 31, each April 1 through June 30, each July 1 through September 30, and each October 1 through December 31.

"County" has the meaning given in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Disclosing Party" has the meaning given in Section .

"Dollar" and "\$" means the lawful currency of the United States of America.

"Effective Date" has the meaning given in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Eligible Properties" means commercial, industrial, agricultural and multi-family residential real property of 5 or more units located within the jurisdiction of the County.

"Final Application" means a final application for financing by an Eligible Property Owner under the Program.

["Financing and Special Charge Agreement" means that certain agreement to be entered into by the County, an Eligible Property owner, and a Qualified Lender setting forth, among other things, the terms of the financing for the Project, the repayment and collection thereof, the levying of the related PACE special charge and the results of non-payment of the PACE financing.]

"Force Majeure Event" means, when used in connection with the performance of a Party's obligations under this Agreement, any act, condition or event which renders said Party unable to comply totally or partially with its obligations under this Agreement, but only if and to the extent (a) such event is not within the reasonable control, directly or indirectly, of the Party seeking to have its performance obligation(s) excused thereby, (b) the Party seeking to have its performance obligation(s) excused thereby has taken reasonable precautions and measures in order to prevent or avoid such event or mitigate the effect thereof on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and such event is an event which, by the exercise of due diligence such Party could not reasonably have been expected to avoid and which by the exercise of due diligence it has been unable to overcome and (c) such event is not the direct or indirect result of the negligence or the failure of, or caused by, the Party seeking to have its performance obligations excused thereby or its Subcontractors, suppliers, agents or employees. Without limiting the meaning of, but always subject to, the preceding sentence, the following events, while not exhaustive, constitute Force Majeure Events to the extent that they render a Party unable to comply totally or partially with its obligations under this Agreement and otherwise comply with the preceding:

- (a) war (whether or not war is declared), hostilities, revolution, rebellion, insurrection against any Governmental Authority, riot, terrorism, acts of a public enemy or other civil disturbance;
- (b) acts of God, including but not limited to, storms, floods, lightning, earthquakes, hailstorms, ice storms, tornados, typhoons, hurricanes, landslides, volcanic eruptions, fires, excessive winds, excessive rain, objects striking the earth from space (such as meteorites), drought or any other naturally occurring event or severe weather conditions for the jurisdiction of the Program that impacts the ability of Administrator to perform the Services; and
- (c) acts of any Governmental Authority that restrict or limit Administrator's ability to operate the Program, as applicable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following shall not constitute a Force Majeure Event: (A) a Party's financial inability to perform, (B) changes in market conditions that affect the price of, demand for, or supply of, materials, or (C) strikes or labor disputes targeted directly at Administrator or its subcontractors or vendors.

"Governmental Approval" means all permits, licenses, approvals and authorizations of any Governmental Authority.

⁴ Names of Program documents subject to change.

"Governmental Authority" means any national, state, autonomic, regional, province, town, city or municipal government, whether domestic or foreign, or other administrative, regulatory or judicial body of any of the foregoing, but specifically excluding the County.

"Indemnified Parties" has the meaning given in Section 5.1.

"Insolvency Event" with respect to a Person means (i) a proceeding is instituted against such Person seeking to adjudicate such Person as bankrupt or insolvent, (ii) such Person makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, a receiver is appointed on account of the insolvency of such Person, or such Person files a petition seeking to take advantage of any other Applicable Laws relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, winding up or composition or readjustment of debts, or (iii) such Person generally fails to pay its undisputed debts when due or as they mature.

["Lender Consent Template" means that certain Lender Acknowledgement to Contractual PACE Special Charge included as part of the Program Manual.]

"Losses" has the meaning given in Section 5.1.

"PACE" means property assessed clean energy.

"Party" means either the County or Administrator.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, company, joint venture, association, trust, unincorporated organization or Governmental Authority.

"Phase 1" has the meaning given in the Recitals.

"Phase 2" has the meaning given in the Recitals.

"Program" means the uniform PACE program for Eligible Properties operated by the County pursuant to this Agreement.

"Program Documents" means the Program Manual, [the Lender Consent Template, the Qualified Lender Agreement and the Financing and Special Charge Agreement, [the relevant bond documents]] in each case as the same may be modified or amended pursuant to the written consent or approval of the County.⁴

"Program Manual" means that certain collection of standards, terms, conditions, criteria, and rules relating to the operation of the Program to be developed by the Administrator [with the cooperation of the County] relating to underwriting standards for Projects, determinations of Eligible Properties, determinations of Qualified Lenders, determinations for participating contractors, and other relevant aspects of operating the Program.

³ Names of Program documents subject to change.

⁴ Names of Program documents subject to change.

"*Project*" means the improvements to real property of an Eligible Property qualified pursuant to the terms of the Statute and the Program Documents.

"Proprietary Software" has the meaning given in Section 9.7.

"Qualified Lender" means a financial institution or other business engaged in the business of financing Projects and that has signed a Qualified Lender Agreement.

["Qualified Lender Agreement" means that certain agreement setting forth the terms and conditions for the participation of Qualified Lenders in the Program.]

"Receiving Party" has the meaning given in Section ...

"Services" has the meaning given in Section 1.5.

["Services Fees" has the meaning given in Section 3.1]⁶ -

"Statute" means the Illinois Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (50 ILCS 50), as amended.

"Subcontract" means a subcontract under which the Administrator subcontracts any of its obligations under this Agreement to a Subcontractor.

"Subcontractor" means any Person retained by the Administrator to perform any portion of the Services in furtherance of the Administrator's obligations under this Agreement.

["Supplemental Fees" has the meaning given in Section .]⁷

"Supplemental Services" has the meaning given in Section 1.4.

"Term" has the meaning given in Section 1.1.

"Termination Notice" has the meaning given in Section 4.4(a).

⁵ Names of Program documents subject to change.

⁶ Will be the aggregate of all fees.

⁷ To be determined when the Supplemental Services are determined.

Exhibit B

Administration Services

Phase I Services

- 1. Draft resolutions needed to adopt the Program
- 2. Draft forms of Program Documents
- 3. Identify sources of capital
- 4. Establish program to process applications, provide customer service, and engage contractors
- 5. Establish parameters for size and scope of projects that will qualify for the Program
- 6. Establish underwriting criteria
- 7. Establish procedures for coordination with mortgage lenders/obtaining lender consent
- 8. Establish scope of energy surveys and audits to be required for each project
- 9. Establish methods for contractor selection
- 10. Establish procedures for confirming that improvements have been installed/completed
- 11. Establish procedures for tracking data regarding the efficacy of the Program
- 12. Discuss with the County the roles and responsibilities of County staff, the Administrator and the other parties working on the Program
- 13. Work with the County to develop a website for the Program
- 14. Develop educational and training materials for those interested in participating in the Program
- 15. Develop a contractor workforce training and recruitment program (including for women, minorities and the long-term unemployed)
- 16. Develop an itemized list of the costs of the Program
- 17. Develop a list of the fees of the Program, including fees paid by the property owner, measurement and verification fees, energy audit fees, early repayment penalties, and closing fees
- 18. Work with the County to develop the mechanism for the collection and distribution of the amounts to be received pursuant to the Program
- 19. Establish procedures for reporting to the County staff and/or the County Board regarding the Program

Phase II Services

- 1. Process applications for the Program.
- 2. Provide customer service and engagement with contractors
- 3. Collect data needed to evaluate the efficacy of the Program (quality assurance and program reporting)
- 4. Market the Program, including using the internet, local media and other means
- 5. Manage the contractor workforce training and recruitment program
- 6. Close PACE transactions
- 7. Service closed PACE transactions (collection and distribution of property owner payments)

Exhibit C

Supplemental Services

Energy Saving Audit reports