PROJECT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

(Burke Solar, LLC Project – Town of Burke)

A regular meeting of the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency was convened on Wednesday December 14, 2022.

The following resolution was duly offered by Madelyn Fleury and seconded Justus Martin, to wit:

Resolution No. 2022-17

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE "AGENCY") (i) APPOINTING BURKE SOLAR, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AS ITS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE A CERTAIN PROJECT (AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW); (ii) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGENT AGREEMENT, LEASE AGREEMENT, LEASEBACK AGREEMENT, PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT; (iii) AUTHORIZING THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY (AS FURTHER DEFINED HEREIN); (iv) ADOPTING FINDINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT ("SEQRA"); AND (v) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT.

WHEREAS, by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Chapter 453 of the Laws of 1970 of the State of New York, as amended (hereinafter collectively called the "Act"), the **COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (hereinafter called "Agency") was created with the authority and power to own, lease and sell property for the purpose of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping industrial, manufacturing and commercial facilities as authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, **BURKE SOLAR, LLC**, for itself and/or on behalf of an entity or entities to be formed (collectively, the "Company"), has submitted an application to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project or projects (collectively, the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in approximately 19.95 acres of real property located at State Route 11 in the Town of Burke, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as a portion of tax parcel No. 59.-4-14.100, as may be subdivided); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 5MWAC solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment" and, collectively with, the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction"); and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2021, the Agency adopted an initial resolution (the "Initial Project Resolution") which (i) accepted the Company's application, (ii) authorized the scheduling and conduct of a public hearing in compliance with the Act, (iii) described the contemplated forms of financial assistance to be provided by the Agency (the "Financial Assistance", as described herein); and (iv) authorized the negotiation of an Agent and Financial Assistance and Project Agreement (the "Agent Agreement"), Lease

Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), Leaseback Agreement (the "Leaseback Agreement") and Paymentin-lieu-of-Tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement") to be entered into with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Initial Project Resolution, the Agency published and forwarded a Notice of Public Hearing to the Town of Burke (the "Town"), the County of Franklin (the "County"), and the Chateaugay Central School District (the "School," and together with the Town and County, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions") at least ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, the Agency held a public hearing on Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. local time, at Burke Town Hall with respect to the Project (the "Public Hearing") and the proposed Financial Assistance (as further defined herein) being contemplated by the Agency whereat interested parties were provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views, a copy of the minutes of the Public Hearing also being attached hereto within <u>Exhibit A</u>; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke reviewed the proposed Project as lead agency pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, as codified under Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and Regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State (collectively, "SEQRA") and related Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") and issued a negative declaration (the "Negative Declaration"), a copy of which, along with the EAF, are attached hereto as **Exhibit B**; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the Agency desires to authorize (i) the appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency to undertake the Project; (ii) the execution and delivery of the Agent Agreement, Lease Agreement, the Leaseback Agreement, the PILOT Agreement, and related documents; (iii) the provision of the Financial Assistance to the Company, which shall include (a) an exemption from all state and local sales and use taxes with respect to the qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the construction and equipping of the Facility, and (b) a partial real property tax abatement through the execution of an agreement with the Agency regarding payments in lieu of real property taxes to be made for the benefit of the Affected Tax Jurisdictions; and (iv) the review and ratification of findings pursuant to SEQRA in connection with the Project.

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

<u>Section 1</u>. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Application, the Agency hereby finds and determines that:

(A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act; and

(B) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to (i) acquire title to or other interest in the Land, the Existing Improvements, Improvements and the Equipment constituting the Facility, (ii) lease or sell the Agency's interest in the Land, Existing Improvements, Improvements and Equipment constituting the Facility to the Company pursuant to a lease agreement or sale agreement, and (iii) enter into a Straight Lease Transaction with the Company; and

(C) The action to be taken by the Agency will induce the Company to undertake the Project, thereby increasing employment opportunities in the Town of Burke, which is located within Franklin County, New York, and otherwise furthering the purposes of the Agency as set forth in the Act; and

(D) The Project will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project located within the State; and the Agency hereby finds that, based on the Company's Application, to the extent occupants are relocating from one plant or facility to another, the Project is reasonably necessary to discourage the Project occupants from removing such other facility or plant to a location outside the State and/or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Project occupants in their respective industries; and

(E) Based upon a review of the Application, the EAF and the Negative Declaration issued by the Town and submitted to the Agency, the Agency hereby:

(i) consents to and affirms the status of the Town as Lead Agency for review of the Facility, within the meaning of, and for all purposes of complying with SEQRA;

(ii) ratifies the proceedings undertaken by the Town as Lead Agency under SEQRA with respect to the construction and equipping of the Facility pursuant to SEQRA; and

(iii) finds that the Project involves an "Type 1 action" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA). The review is "uncoordinated" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA). Based upon the review by the Agency of the EAF and related documents delivered by the Company to the Agency and other representations made by the Company to the Agency in connection with the Project, the Agency hereby finds that (i) the Project will result in no major impacts and, therefore, is one which may not cause significant damage to the environment; (ii) the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA); and (iii) no "environmental impact statement" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA) need be prepared for this action. This determination constitutes a "negative declaration" (as such quoted terms are defined under SEQRA) for purposes of SEQRA.

<u>Section 2.</u> Subject to (i) the Company executing the Agent Agreement and Leaseback Agreement, and (ii) the delivery to the Agency of a binder, certificate or other evidence of liability insurance policy for the Project satisfactory to the Agency, the Agency hereby authorizes the Company to proceed with the acquisition, renovation, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and equipping of the Project and hereby appoints the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency: (i) to acquire, construct and equip the Project; (ii) to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency with the authority to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses; and (iii) in general, to do all things which may be requisite or proper for completing the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity that the Agency could do if acting on its own behalf; *provided, however*, the Agent Agreement shall expire on December 31, 2023 (unless extended for good cause by the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency).

<u>Section 3</u>. Based upon the representation and warranties made by the Company the Application, the Agency hereby authorizes and approves the Company, as its agent, to make purchases of goods and services relating to the Project and that would otherwise be subject to New York State and local sales and use tax in

an amount up to approximately <u>\$4,604,064.00</u>, which result in New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") not to exceed <u>\$368,325.00</u>. The Agency agrees to consider any requests by the Company for increase to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services, and, to the extent required, the Agency authorizes and conducts any supplemental public hearing(s).

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act, the Agency may recover or recapture from the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, any sales and use tax exemption benefits taken or purported to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, if it is determined that: (i) the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, is not entitled to the sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project; (iii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; (iv) the Company has made a material false statement on its application for financial assistance; (v) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are taken in cases where the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project; and/or (vi) the Company obtains mortgage recording tax benefits and/or real property tax abatements and fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project (collectively, items (i) through (vi) hereby defined as a "Recapture Event").

As a condition precedent of receiving sales and use tax exemption benefits and real property tax abatement benefits, the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, must (i) if a Recapture Event determination is made by the Agency, cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any sales and use tax exemption benefits, mortgage recording tax benefits and/or real property tax abatements abatement benefits, and (ii) promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands, if and as so required to be paid over as determined by the Agency.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agent Agreement, Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement, PILOT Agreement, PILOT Mortgage, and related documents with such changes as shall be approved by the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and/or the Chief Executive Officer and counsel to the Agency upon execution.

<u>Section 6</u>. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver any mortgage, assignment of leases and rents, security agreement, UCC-1 Financing Statements and all documents reasonably contemplated by these resolutions or required by any lender identified by the Company (the "Lender") up to a maximum principal amount necessary to undertake the Project, acquire the Facility and/or finance or refinance equipment and other personal property and related transactional costs (hereinafter with the Straight Lease Documents, the "Agency Documents"); and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency to the Agency Documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Mice Chairman, Vice Chairman, and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman, Vice Chairman,

and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval; provided, that, in all events, recourse against the Agency is limited to the Agency's interest in the Project.

<u>Section 7</u>. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Agency.

<u>Section 8</u>. These Resolutions shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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

Board Member	YEA	NEA	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Sherry Boyea				Х
James Ellis	Х			
Stephen Erman				Х
Madelyn Fleury	Х			
Justus Martin	Х			
Archie McKee				Х
Nate Monette	Х			

Resolution 2022-17 was thereupon duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)COUNTY OF FRANKLIN)SS:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of minutes of the meeting of the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), including the resolution contained therein, held on December 14, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of such resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

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

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Agency this 15th day of December, 2022.

Sherry Boyea Sherry Boyea (Dec 15, 2022 09:42 EST)

Sherry Boyea, Secretary

Dec 15, 2022

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law (the "Act") will be held by the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on December 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. local time, at Burke Town Hall, 5165 US-11, Burke, New York 12917, in connection with the matter described below.

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DATED: November 19, 2022

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Malone Telegram

State of New York,

County of, Franklin,

The undersigned is the authorized designee of **Malone Telegram**, a **Daily** Newspaper published in **Franklin** County, **New York**. I certify that the public notice, a printed copy of which is attached hereto, was printed and published in this newspaper on the following dates:

November 19, 2022

This newspaper has been designated by the County Clerk of **Franklin** County, as a newspaper of record in this county, and as such, is eligible to publish such notices.

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Signature

Eliot T. Putnam

Printed Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me,

This 28 day of November 2022

Leseis Walling Notary Signature

MARY BETH ALESCIO WALLING NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK Registration No. 01AL5056219 Qualified in Saratoga County My Commission Expires March 04, 2026

Notary Public Stamp

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DATED: November 19, 2022 COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING (Burke Solar, LLC Project)

November 17, 2022

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

- To: The Chief Executive Officers of Affected Tax Jurisdictions on <u>Schedule A</u>
 - Re: County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency: Burke Solar, LLC Project

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please note that on December 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., local time, at Burke Town Hall, 5165 US-11, Burke, New York 12917, the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") will conduct a public hearing regarding the above-referenced project. Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing describing the Project and the Financial Assistance contemplated by the Agency. The Notice has been submitted to the *Malone Telegram* for publication.

In accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, a representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated time and place to present a copy of the Company's project Application (including a cost-benefit analysis), which is also available for viewing on the Agency's website at: <u>https://adirondackfrontier.com/about-us/resource-library/</u>. The Agency will also live stream the public hearing through its webpage and also encourages all interested parties to submit written comments to the Agency, which will all be included within the public hearing record. Any written comments may be sent to Jeremy Evans, AICP, Chief Executive Officer, County of Franklin IDA, 355 West Main Street, Suite 428, Malone, New York 12953 and/or via e-mail at jevans@franklinida.org.

Very truly yours,

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



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<u>Schedule A</u> Affected Tax Jurisdiction Officials

Franklin County, New York #7019-2970-0001-8016-8119

The Honorable Paul Maroun Chair of the Franklin County Board of Legislators 355 West Main Street, Suite 409 Malone, New York 12953

<u>Chateaugay Central School District</u> #7019-2970-0001-8016-8133

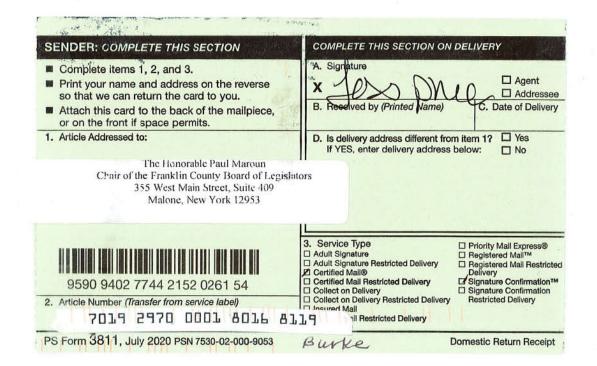
Loretta Fowler, Superintendent Chateaugay Central School District PO Box 904 Chateaugay, New York 12920

<u>Chateaugay Central School District</u> #7019-2970-0001-8016-8126

Lori Green, President Chateaugay Central School District PO Box 904 Chateaugay, New York 12920

<u>Town of Burke, New York</u> #7019-2970-0001-8016-8140

The Honorable Bill Wood Town Supervisor Town of Burke PO Box 121 Burke, New York 12917



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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

BURKE SOLAR, LLC December 1, 2022 – 6:00 pm Burke Town Hall, 5165 US-11, Burke, New York 12917

ATTENDANCE LIST:

Jeremy Evans, CEO Russ Kinyon, Economic Development Director Maria Bourgeois, Operations Manager (via zoom) Arnold Lobdell, Town of Burke Bill Wood, Burke Town of Burke Bill Wood, Burke Town Supervisor Jim Lobdell, Burke Resident Tim Crippen, Malone Town Councilman Judy Tavernier, Burke Loretta Fowler, Chateaugay School Superintendent Andrea Dumas, Franklin County Legislator Genevieve Trigg, Barclay Damon (Nexamp) (via zoom) Barton Pitts, Nexamp (via zoom) Cathryn Crummey, Harris Beach (via zoom)

CALL TO ORDER: (Time: 6:02 pm).

Jeremy Evans, CEO opened the hearing.

PURPOSE:

Pursuant to and in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 859-a, the County of Franklin Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is conducting this public hearing in connection with a certain proposed project, as more fully described below (the "Project"), to be undertaken by the Agency for the benefit of **BURKE SOLAR**, LLC (the "Company").

The Agency published a Notice of Public Hearing and delivered a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing to each affected tax jurisdiction. An Affidavit of Publication of and Proof of delivery are attached.

DISCUSSION:

Jeremy Evans, CEO read a description of the Project, as follows:

BURKE SOLAR, LLC, for itself and/or on behalf of an entity or entities to be formed (collectively, the "Company"), has submitted an application to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project or projects (collectively, the "Project") consisting of:

(i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in approximately 19.95 acres of real property located at State Route 11 in the Town of Burke, Franklin County, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as a portion of tax parcel No. 59.-4-14.100, as may be subdivided); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 5MWAC solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, collectively with, the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction").

The Agency contemplates that it will provide financial assistance (the "Financial Assistance") to the Company in the form of (A) an exemption from all State and local sales and use taxes with respect to qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the construction and equipping of the Facility; and (B) a partial real property tax abatement through a payment-in-lieu-of-tax agreement (the "PILOT Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company would make payments in lieu of real property taxes to the Agency for the benefit of each affected tax jurisdiction (the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions").

AGENCY COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS:

Attached

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Wood: For the benefit of everyone here, could you review the Cost Benefit Analysis with us to give us some background?

Jeremy Evans: Sure! The proposed terms are identical to three solar projects in the last several years and identical to two additional projects we are considering right now in Fort Covington.

-15 year term (consistent with other community solar projects)

-payment per MW is 5,500 - in addition a 2% escalator is built in for the life of the term -would be the 4th project with the same exact terms

-on page 2, we will do an estimate for the Affected Taxing Jurisdictions annually based on their tax rates so you can know better what to expect for payments.

The IDA invoices the company and receives payment and then distributes to each affected taxing jurisdiction.

Arnold Lobdell: What happens after year 15?

Jeremy Evans: The project is fully back on the tax rolls. 1) Assessor will value improvements and 2) Depreciation occurs over time.

Bill Wood: Where did the \$5,500 come from? We have a larger project coming in

Jeremy Evans: That's an entirely different model. These are community scale projects. The State has provided a range per MW and this is higher end and above average.

Bill Wood: Will affected taxing jurisdictions have input on bigger projects?

Jeremy Evans: It is my hope that we can work together from the beginning of negotiations to get the best project possible. The IDA can approve these smaller projects as they are but larger projects have to have input from all affected taxing jurisdictions.

Tim Crippen: Will this be the standard for each project?

Bill Wood: If someone adamantly disagreed, what would happen?

Jeremy Evans: That's why we're taking a transcript of these hearings. The IDA Board will review them. State Law requires a public hearing take place in the town where the project will be.

Loretta Fowler: Is it possible for projects like these to have a separate education benefit? Jeremy Evans: That's something I'd need to look at.

Bill Wood: What other questions should we be asking?

Jeremy Evans; It's important that you understand the handouts and breakdown.

Bill Wood: What about sales tax calculations?

Jeremy Evans: That is completely separate from the PILOT – it provides an exemption from sales tax for materials/equipment. This will be the 5^{th} project for Nexamp. I appreciate all of your questions and your attendance at this hearing.

ADJOURNMENT (Time: 6:37 pm)

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA COUNTY OF FRANKLIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ATTENDANCE LIST – Burke Solar, LLC

Name	Address	Representing
Bill Wood	Burke	Town Supervisor
Arnold Lobdell	Burke	Town of Burke
Jim Lobdell	Burke	Town Resident
Tim Crippen	Malone	Malone Town Councilman
Judy Tavernier	Burke	Town Resident
Loretta Fowler	Chateaugay	School Superintendent
Andrea Dumas	Malone	Franklin County Legislator

Renewable Energy PILOT Worksheet and Cost Benefit Analysis

Project Name: Burke Solar, LLC

Project Address: State Route 11, Chateaugay, NY 12920 Tax Map # 59.-4-14.100



Table #1: Project Information		Table #3: Cost/Benefit Summary	
2022 Full Market Value	\$115,800.00		
2022 Equalization Rate (ER):	100%	Total Estimated Taxes Without Improvements	\$45,658.93
2022 Assessed Value (Base Value):	\$115,800.00	Total Estimated PILOT Payments	\$527,750.59
2022 Tax Rate:	28.16366	Total Estimated Taxes With No PILOT	\$2,544,723.43
Project Cost:	\$9,296,978	Estimated Real Estate Tax Savings	\$2,016,972.84
Projected Valuation: (Note 1)	\$5,000,000.00	Estimated Mortgages Tax Savings	\$0.00
Added Value (Projected Valuation * ER):	\$5,000,000.00	Estimated Sales Tax Savings	\$553,351.69
Finished Value (Added Value + Base Value):	\$5,115,800.00	Total Estimated Financial Assistance	\$2,570,324.52
Nameplate Megawatt Capacity:	5.00		
Payment per Megawatt:	\$5,500.00		
System PILOT Payment Escalator:	2%		
Costs Subject to NYS Sales Tax:	\$6,916,896.12		
FCIDA Administrative Fee:	1%		

Table #2: Proposed PILOT Payment Schedule

			Estimated		Total PILOT		
		PILOT Base	PILOT	PILOT	Payments		Estimated Full
		Assessed	Payments for	Payments for	(Base Value +	2022 Tax Rate	Taxes With No
PILOT Year	Calendar Year	Valuation (2)	Base Value	System (3)	System) (4)	(5)	PILOT (6)
Interim	2023	\$115,800			\$3,261.35	28.16366	\$3,261.35
Year 1	2024	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$27,500.00	\$30,761.35	28.72693	\$146,961.24
Year 2	2025	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$28,050.00	\$31,311.35	29.30147	\$149,900.47
Year 3	2026	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$28,611.00	\$31,872.35	29.88750	\$152,898.48
Year 4	2027	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$29,183.22	\$32,444.57	30.48525	\$155,956.45
Year 5	2028	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$29,766.88	\$33,028.24	31.09496	\$159,075.58
Year 6	2029	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$30,362.22	\$33,623.57	31.71686	\$162,257.09
Year 7	2030	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$30,969.47	\$34,230.82	32.35119	\$165,502.23
Year 8	2031	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$31,588.86	\$34,850.21	32.99822	\$168,812.28
Year 9	2032	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$32,220.63	\$35,481.98	33.65818	\$172,188.52
Year 10	2033	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$32,865.05	\$36,126.40	34.33134	\$175,632.29
Year 11	2034	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$33,522.35	\$36,783.70	35.01797	\$179,144.94
Year 12	2035	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$34,192.79	\$37,454.15	35.71833	\$182,727.84
Year 13	2036	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$34,876.65	\$38,138.00	36.43270	\$186,382.39
Year 14	2037	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$35,574.18	\$38,835.53	37.16135	\$190,110.04
Year 15	2038	\$115,800	\$3,261.35	\$36,285.67	\$39,547.02	37.90458	\$193,912.24
		Totals	\$45,658.93	\$439,283.30	\$527,750.59		\$2,544,723.43

Notes

¹ Projected Valuation is an estimate only and used to calculate Estimated Full Taxes. The assessor will determine the actual assessed value once the project is complete. All special district fees will be calculated using the actual assessed value.

² Base Assessed Valuation is frozen at \$115,800 or such amount as may be assigned by the assessor in connection with subvision or establishment of a new parcel for the project.

3 PILOT Payments for System are fixed and based upon dollar amount per MW nameplate and a 2% annual escalator.

⁴ The Annual Total PILOT Payment is based on the Base Value Payment + Payments for System.

5 Tax Rate (per \$1,000 in value) assumes a 2% increase per year.

6 Estimated Full Taxes With No PILOT is based on the Finished Value * Mill Rate

Renewable Energy PILOT Worksheet and Cost Benefit Analysis

Project Name:	Burke Solar, Ll	_C			
Project Address:	State Route 11, Chateaugay, NY 12920				
Tax Map #	594-14.100				
PILOT Payment Calculation					
Estimated Year 1 Total PILOT Paym	nent		\$30,761.35		
	Tax Rate	% of Total	Estimated Payment		
Town of Burke 2022 Roll					
General - Townwide	1.975247	7.0%	\$2,157.44		
General - Outside	0.175377	0.6%	\$191.55		
Highway - Outside	1.781467	6.3%	\$1,945.78		
Highway - Townwide	2.449122	8.7%	\$2,675.02		
BOE- Townwide	0.102086	0.4%	\$111.50		
Town Subtotal	6.483299	23.0%	\$7,081.29		
County General 2022 Roll	4.326067	15.4%	\$4,725.08		
Chateaugay CSD 2022-2023 Roll					
School	17.13571	60.8%	\$18,716.23		
Library	0.218584	0.8%	\$238.75		
School Subtotal	17.354294	61.6%	\$18,954.98		
Total	28.16366	100.0%	\$30,761.35		
Notes: 1. The portion of the total PIL	OT payment eac	h taxing juris	diction receives is		

2. Even though the total PILOT payment is set for each year of the agreement, the percentage each jurisdiction receives each year will vary based on the tax rates set by each jurisdiction.

3. This estimate is based on the first year PILOT payment and is provided for planning purposes only.

PILOT Payment Calculation			
Estimated Full Taxes (If No PILOT)			\$146,961.24
	Tax Rate	% of Total	Estimated Payment
Town of Burke 2022 Roll			
General - Townwide	1.975247	7.0%	\$10,307.07
General - Outside	0.175377	0.6%	\$915.14
Highway - Outside	1.781467	6.3%	\$9,295.90
Highway - Townwide	2.449122	8.7%	\$12,779.80
BOE- Townwide	0.102086	0.4%	\$532.70
Town Subtotal	6.483299	23.0%	\$33,830.61
County General 2022 Roll	4.326067	15.4%	\$22,573.92
Chateaugay CSD 2022-2023 Roll			
School	17.13571	60.8%	\$89,416.12
Library	0.218584	0.8%	\$1,140.60
School Subtotal	17.354294	61.6%	\$90,556.72
Total	28.16366	100.0%	\$146,961.24

Sales Tax Calculation		
	Am	nount
Modules	\$	2,515,484
Mounting	\$	2,093,807
Inverters	\$	338,458
BOS Equipment	\$	212,534
Electrical	\$	1,617,208
Fencing	\$	139,405
Total:	\$	6,916,896
Rate		8%
Estimated Sales Tax Exemption	\$	553,351.69

EXHIBIT B

Resolution of the Town of Burke Town Board on the Burke Solar, LLC Project 5700 State Route 11, Burke, NY

Dated March 10, 2021

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke Town Board received an application from Burke Solar, LLC seeking from the Town of Burke Town Board, among other approvals, a site plan approval and special use permit for a solar facility;

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke Town Board declared its intent to be lead agency and coordinated the establishment of lead agency for this type 1 action pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act;

WHEREAS, all involved agencies either consented to the Town Board being lead agency or allowed the thirty-day period to object to the Town Board serving as the lead agency to lapse;

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke Town Board as lead agency conducted a thorough review of Project carefully examining all of the potential impacts of the proposed project;

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke Town Board also had its consulting engineer review all of the materials, and the project applicant has submitted a substantial amount of information in response to these requests for information;

WHEREAS, the Town of Burke Town Board held a public hearing on the proposed application at the Burke Town Court House at 7:00 p.m. on September 8, 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Burke Town Board hereby adopts the attached Part 2 of the EAF, which it carefully reviewed and drafted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Burke Town Board hereby adopts the attached Part 3 of the EAF, which finds that the project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact on the environment and that an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all the filing and publication requirements set forth in SEQRA shall be followed with respect to this negative declaration; and

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The foregoing resolution was voted upon with members of the Town Board voting and signing as follows:

	Yes	<u>No</u>	Abstain/Absent	<u>Signature</u>
William Wood, Supervisor			<u>K</u> , <u>M</u>	
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Timothy Crippen	<u>_X</u>			in typen
Keith Trudeau	$\underline{\times}$	-	Ke	ut there

Dated: March 10, 2021 Burke, New York

William Wood, Supervisor Town of Burke Town Board

Certified by the Clerk to the Town Board ______ *Wline* Filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Burke on March <u>10</u>, 2021.

Full Environmental Assessment rorm Part 2 - Identification of Potential Project Impacts

Part 2 is to be completed by the lead agency. Part 2 is designed to help the lead agency inventory all potential resources that could be affected by a proposed project or action. We recognize that the lead agency's reviewer(s) will not necessarily be environmental professionals. So, the questions are designed to walk a reviewer through the assessment process by providing a series of questions that can be answered using the information found in Part 1. To further assist the lead agency in completing Part 2, the form identifies the most relevant questions in Part 1 that will provide the information needed to answer the Part 2 question. When Part 2 is completed, the lead agency will have identified the relevant environmental areas that may be impacted by the proposed activity.

If the lead agency is a state agency and the action is in any Coastal Area, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

Tips for completing Part 2:

- Review all of the information provided in Part 1.
- Review any application, maps, supporting materials and the Full EAF Workbook.
- Answer each of the 18 questions in Part 2.
- If you answer "Yes" to a numbered question, please complete all the questions that follow in that section.
- If you answer "No" to a numbered question, move on to the next numbered question.
- Check appropriate column to indicate the anticipated size of the impact.
- Proposed projects that would exceed a numeric threshold contained in a question should result in the reviewing agency checking the box "Moderate to large impact may occur."
- The reviewer is not expected to be an expert in environmental analysis.
- If you are not sure or undecided about the size of an impact, it may help to review the sub-questions for the general question and consult the workbook.
- When answering a question consider all components of the proposed activity, that is, the "whole action".
- Consider the possibility for long-term and cumulative impacts as well as direct impacts.
- Answer the question in a reasonable manner considering the scale and context of the project.

 Impact on Land Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of, the land surface of the proposed site. (See Part 1. D.1) If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 2. 	DNO	ক	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.	E2d	Ø	
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f	I.	
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a	ত	
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a	Ľ۲	
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	Dle	Image: Contract of the second secon	
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q	9	
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	Bli	9	
h. Other impacts:			

 Impact on Geological Features The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhibit access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3. 			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Identify the specific land form(s) attached:	E2g		•
b. The proposed action may affect or is adjacent to a geological feature listed as a registered National Natural Landmark. Specific feature:	E3c		
c. Other impacts:			
 3. Impacts on Surface Water The proposed action may affect one or more wetlands or other surface water bodies (e.g., streams, rivers, ponds or lakes). (See Part 1. D.2, E.2.h) If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4. 			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may create a new water body.	D2b, D1h		
b. The proposed action may result in an increase or decrease of over 10% or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water.	D2b		
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a		
d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.	E2h		
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h		<u> </u>
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c		
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d		
h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies.	D2e		
i. The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h	· 🗆 · ·	· 🗋 · ·
j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h		
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing, wastewater treatment facilities.	D1a, D2d		
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l. Other impacts:

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 4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, or may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquife (See Part 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t) If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5. 	₽Ĩ.	נ	7ES
1) Tes , answer questions a - n. 1) No , move on to section 5.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or, create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells.	D2c		
b. Water supply demand from the proposed action may exceed safe and sustainable withdrawal capacity rate of the local supply or aquifer. Cite Source:	D2c		
c. The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services.	D1a, D2c		
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E2l		
e. The proposed action may result in the construction of water supply wells in locations where groundwater is, or is suspected to be, contaminated.	D2c, E1f, E1g, E1h		
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l		
g. The proposed action may involve the commercial application of pesticides within 100 feet of potable drinking water or irrigation sources.	E2h, D2q, E2l, D2c		
h. Other impacts:			
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5. Impact on Flooding The proposed action may result in development on lands subject to flooding. (See Part 1. E.2)	INC		YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6.	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i		
b. The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j		
c. The proposed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k		
d. The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e		
e. The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k		
f. If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or ungrade?	, Ele		

g. Other impacts: _

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Impacts on Air The proposed action may include a state regulated air emission source.	NO	Y	ES
(See Part 1. D.2.f., D,2,h, D.2.g) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", move on to Section 7.</i>	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
 i. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO₂) ii. More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N₂O) iii. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) iv. More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) v. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of 	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g		
hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane	D2h		
b. The proposed action may generate 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant, or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous	D2g		
air pollutants. c. The proposed action may require a state air registration, or may produce an emissions rate of total contaminants that may exceed 5 lbs. per hour, or may include a heat source capable of producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.	D2f, D2g		
d. The proposed action may reach 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" through "c",	D2g		
above. e. The proposed action may result in the combustion or thermal treatment of more than 1	D2s		
f. Other impacts:			
 7. Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8. 	Relevant	MO No, or	YES Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small) impact may occu	to large impact ma r occur
a. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2o		
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal	E2o		
 government. c. The proposed action may cause reduction in population, or loss of individuals, of any species of special concern or conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site. 	E2p		
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e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	E3c	
 f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n	
g. The proposed action may substantially interfere with nesting/breeding, foraging, or over-wintering habitat for the predominant species that occupy or use the project site.	E2m	
h. The proposed action requires the conversion of more than 10 acres of forest, grassland or any other regionally or locally important habitat. Habitat type & information source:	E1b	
 Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides. 	D2q	
j. Other impacts:		

 8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part 1. E.3.a. and b.) If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9. 			YES
1 Tes, unswer questions a the grave shore entre states	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.	E2c, E3b	ď	
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc).	E1a, Elb	I	
c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land.	E3b	Ø	
d. The proposed action may irreversibly convert agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, either more than 2.5 acres if located in an Agricultural District, or more than 10 acres if not within an Agricultural District.	Elb, E3a		
e. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system.	El a, Elb	3	
f. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development potential or pressure on farmland.	C2c, C3, D2c, D2d	छ	
g. The proposed project is not consistent with the adopted municipal Farmland Protection Plan.	C2c		
h. Other impacts:			- 0

9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action are obviously different from, or are in sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project and a scenic or aesthetic resource. (Part 1. E.1.a, E.1.b, E.3.h.)	ПNО	r S	ÝES
If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moder to lar impact occu
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource.	E3h	Ø	
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b	<u></u>	
 c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points: i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons) ii. Year round 	E3h	ল	
 d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is: i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism based activities 	E3h E2q, E1c	ह्यय	
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h	Ø	
 f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project: 0-1/2 mile 1/2 -3 mile 3-5 mile 5+ mile 	Dla, Ela, Dlf, Dlg		
g. Other impacts:			
 10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeological resource. (Part 1. E.3.e, f. and g.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11. 	Relevant Part I	No, or small	YES Mode to la
	Question(s)	impact may occur	impac oc
a. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any buildings, archaeological site or district which is listed on or has been nominated by the NYS Board of Historic Preservation for inclusion on the State or National Register of Historic Places.	E3e		
b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory.	E3f	g .	
c. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an archaeological site not included on the NY SHPO inventory.	E3g		
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d. Other impacts:			
e. If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Yes", continue with the following questions to help support conclusions in Part 3:			
i. The proposed action may result in the destruction or alteration of all or part of the site or property.	E3e, E3g, E3f		
 ii. The proposed action may result in the alteration of the property's setting or integrity. 	E3e, E3f, E3g, E1a, E1b		
iii. The proposed action may result in the introduction of visual elements which are out of character with the site or property, or may alter its setting.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E3h, C2, C3		
1. In a char Space and Beerestion			
 Impact on Open Space and Recreation The proposed action may result in a loss of recreational opportunities or a reduction of an open space resource as designated in any adopted municipal open space plan. (See Part 1. C.2.c, E.1.c., E.2.q.) With the proposed sector of the proposed action of	নিম্ব		YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 12.	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
- -	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in an impairment of natural functions, or "ecosystem services", provided by an undeveloped area, including but not limited to stormwater storage, nutrient cycling, wildlife habitat.	D2e, E1b E2h, E2m, E2o, E2n, E2p		
b. The proposed action may result in the loss of a current or future recreational resource.	C2a, E1c, C2c, E2q		
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q		
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c		
e. Other impacts:			
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12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas The proposed action may be located within or adjacent to a critical environmental area (CEA). (See Part 1. E.3.d) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", go to Section 13.	<u>P</u> N	ó [] YES
	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact	to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d		
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quality of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d		
c. Other impacts:			
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(See Part 1. D.2.j) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 14.			
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Projected traffic increase may exceed capacity of existing road network.	D2j		
b. The proposed action may result in the construction of paved parking area for 500 or more vehicles.	D2j		
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j		
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j		
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j		
f. Other impacts:			
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14. Impact on Energy The proposed action may cause an increase in the use of any form of energy. (See Part 1. D.2.k)			(ES
If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action will require a new, or an upgrade to an existing, substation.	D2k		
b. The proposed action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two-family residences or to serve a commercial or industrial use.	D1f, D1q, D2k		
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k		
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	Dlg		
e. Other Impacts:			
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15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor lig (See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.	hting. 🔤N	б 🗌	YES
	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact ma occur
a. The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.	D2m		
	D2m, E1d		
b. The proposed action may result in blasting within 1,500 feet of any residence, hospital, school, licensed day care center, or nursing home.	•		

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d. The proposed action may result in light shining onto adjoining properties.	D2n	
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a	
f. Other impacts:		

6. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. an If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.	d h.)		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No,or small impact may cccur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.	E1d		
o. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	E <u>lg, E</u> lh		
There is a completed emergency spill remediation, or a completed environmental site remediation on, or adjacent to, the site of the proposed action.	Elg, Elh		
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	Elg, Elh		
. The proposed action may affect institutional control measures that were put in place to ensure that the site remains protective of the environment and human health.	Elg, Elh		
f. The proposed action has adequate control measures in place to ensure that future generation, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes will be protective of the environment and human health.	D2t		
g The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility.	D2q, E1f		
h. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f		
i. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s		
j. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	Elf, Elg Elh		
k. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	Elf, Elg		
1. The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r		
m. Other impacts:			

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17. Consistency with Community Plans	-Al-		
The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans.	L ^m NO	18px	ES
(See Part 1. C.1, C.2. and C.3.)	1 Certo	Tit	62
If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", go to Section 18.	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I	small	to large
	Question(s)	impact	impact may
		may occur	occur
a. The proposed action's land use components may be different from, or in sharp contrast to, current surrounding land use pattern(s).	C2, C3, D1a E1a, E1b	đ	
b. The proposed action will cause the permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located to grow by more than 5%.	C2	Ø	
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3	Ð	
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	C2, C2	Ū	
e. The proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not supported by existing infrastructure or is distant from existing infrastructure.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb		
f. The proposed action is located in an area characterized by low density development that will require new or expanded public infrastructure.	C4, D2c, D2d D2j		
g. The proposed action may induce secondary development impacts (e.g., residential or commercial development not included in the proposed action)	C2a		
h. Other:		Ŋ	
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18. Consistency with Community Character The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character.	NO	<u> I</u>	'ES
(See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)			
If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3.	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I	small	to large
	Question(s)	impact	impact may
		may occur	occur
a The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community.	E3e, E3f, E3g	e 	
b. The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire)	C4		
c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a	Ø	
d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources.	C2, E3		
e. The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and character.	C2, C3	e	
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f. Proposed action is inconsistent with the character of the existing natural landscape.	C2, C3 E1a, E1b E2g, E2h		

g. Other impacts:

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Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact occurring, number of people affected by the impact and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to occur.
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.

See Attached

- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- Attach additional sheets, as needed.

Determination of Significance - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions						
SEQR Status:	V Type 1	Unlisted				
Identify portions of EA	F completed for this	Project: 🗹 Part 1	Part 2	Part 3		

pon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information
nd considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the Fown of Burke Town Boardas lead agency that:
A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact atement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.
B. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or ubstantially mitigated because of the following conditions which will be required by the lead agency:
here will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative
eclaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.d). C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact atement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce tho mpacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.
lame of Action: Burke Solar, LLC
ame of Lead Agency: Town of Burke Town Board
ame of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: William Wood
itle of Responsible Officer: Town Supervisor
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