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January 14, 2019

Via Hand Delivery
Local Government Assistance & Economic Analysis
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
Attention: Tabita Collazo
111 E. 17th Street
Austin, Texas 78774

Re: Board Findings and Agreement under Chapter 313 of the Property Tax Code between

Crockett County Consolidated Common School District and White Mesa Wind, LLC,

Application #1284

Dear Local Government Assistance and Economic Analysis Division:

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees approved the enclosed Agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes on December 19th, 2018. Enclosed, please find a hardcopy and electronic copy of the fully executed Board Findings and Agreement. A copy is being provided to the Crockett County Appraisal District by copy of this correspondence.

Thank you for your attention to the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Hardner Leon

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Enclosures

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FINDINGS OF THE

CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

UNDER THE
TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT
ON THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY

WHITE MESA WIND, LLC TEXAS TAXPAYER ID #32065462809 APPLICATION #1284

December 19, 2018

FINDINGS OF THE CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNDER THE TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT ON THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY WHITE MESA WIND, LLC

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On the 19th day of December, 2018, a public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District was held. The meeting was duly posted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. At the meeting, the Board of Trustees took up and considered the Application of White Mesa Wind, LLC (Application #1284) for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code. The Board of Trustees solicited input into its deliberations on the Application from interested parties within the District. After hearing presentations from the District's administrative staff, and from attorneys and consultants retained by the District to advise the Board in this matter, the Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District makes the following findings with respect to the Application of White Mesa Wind, LLC #1284, and the economic impact of that Application:

On July 18, 2018, the Superintendent of Schools of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District, acting as agent of the Board of Trustees, and the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts received an Application from White Mesa Wind, LLC #1284 for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code. A copy of the Application is posted on the Texas Comptroller's website at:

https://comptroller.texas.gov/data/economy/ch313/crockett-1284-white.php.

The Applicant, White Mesa Wind, LLC (Taxpayer ID 32065462809) ("Applicant"), consists of entities subject to Chapter 171, Texas Tax Code, and is certified to be in good standing with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. The Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the Application, along with the required Application fee, as established pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 313.025(a)(1) and Local District Policy.

The Application was delivered to the Texas Comptroller's Office for review pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 313.025(d). A copy of the Application was delivered to the Crockett County Appraisal District for review pursuant to 34 Texas Administrative Code § 9.1054. The Application was reviewed by the Texas Comptroller's Office pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 313.026, and a determination that the Application was complete was issued on September 14, 2018.

After receipt of the Application, the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts caused to be conducted an economic impact evaluation on October 31, 2018 pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 313.026, and the Board of Trustees has carefully considered such evaluation. A copy of the economic impact evaluation is attached to these findings as **Exhibit A**.

The Board of Trustees also directed that a specific financial analysis be conducted of the impact of the proposed value limitation on the finances of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District. A copy of a report prepared by Jigsaw School Finance Solutions, LLC is attached to these findings as **Exhibit B**. The Texas Commissioner of Education has determined that the project will not impact school enrollment.

The Board of Trustees has confirmed that the taxable value of property in the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District for the preceding tax year, as determined under Subchapter M, Chapter 403, Government Code, is as stated in the 2017 ISD Summary Worksheet posted on the Texas Comptroller's website at:

https://comptroller.texas.gov/data/property-tax/pvs/2017p/0530530011D.php.

After receipt of the Application, the District submitted a proposed form of Agreement for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, in the form required by the Comptroller of Public Accounts. The proposed Agreement and letter approving same are attached to these findings as **Exhibit C**.

After review of the Comptroller's recommendation, and in consideration of its own economic impact study the Board finds:

Board Finding Number 1.

The Applicant qualifies for a limitation on appraised value of Qualified Property under Texas Tax Code § 313.024 in the eligibility category of Renewable Energy Electric Generation.

Board Finding Number 2.

The Applicant's entire proposed investment in the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District is \$600,000,000—all of which is proposed to be Qualified Investment under Texas Tax Code § 313.021.

Board Finding Number 3.

The average salary level of qualifying jobs is expected to be at least \$45,100 per year. The review of the Application by the State Comptroller's Office indicates that this amount—based on Texas Workforce Commission data—complies with the requirement that qualifying jobs pay more than the minimum weekly wage required for Qualified Jobs under Texas Tax Code § 313.021.

Board Finding Number 4.

The level of the Applicant's average investment per qualifying job over the term of the Agreement is estimated to be approximately \$60 million on the basis of the 10 new qualifying positions committed to by the Applicant for this project. The project's total investment is \$600,000,000, resulting in a relative level of investment per qualifying job of \$60,000,000.

Board Finding Number 5.

The Applicant has not requested a waiver of the job creation requirement under Texas Tax Code § 313.025(f-1), and the Board finds that the project meets state job creating requirements.

Board Finding Number 6.

Subsequent economic effects on the local and regional tax bases will be significant. In addition, the impact of the added infrastructure will be significant to the region. In support of Finding No. 6, the economic impact evaluation states:

Table 2 depicts this project's estimated economic impact to Texas. It depicts the direct, indirect and induced effects to employment and personal income within the state. The Comptroller's office calculated the economic impact based on 15 years of annual investment and employment levels.

	Table 2—]	Estimated Statewide I	Economic I	npac	ct of White	Mesa V	Wind, LLC (n	nodeled))
		Employment					Persor	nal Income	:
Year	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total		Direct	Ind	lirect + Induced		Total
2019	393	2,992	3,385	\$	19,650,000	Ş	193,118,555	Ş	212,768,555
2020	10	117	127	\$	451,000	\$	25,183,766	\$	25,634,766
2021	10	35	45	\$	451,000	Ş	15,906,422	\$	16,357,422
2022	10	(24)	-14	\$	451,000	\$	8,704,273	\$	9,155,273
2023	10	(47)	-37	\$	451,000	\$	4,675,953	\$	5,126,953
2024	10	(57)	-47	\$	451,000	\$	1,624,195	\$	2,075,195
2025	10	(49)	-39	\$	451,000	\$	159,352	\$	610,352
2026	10	(47)	-37	\$	451,000	-\$	695,141	-\$	244,141
2027	10	(33)	-23	\$	451,000	-\$	451,000	\$	0
2028	10	(26)	-16	\$	451,000	-\$	451,000	\$	0
2029	10	(14)	-4	\$	451,000	\$	281,422	\$	732,422
2030	10	(14)	-4	\$	451,000	-\$	451,000	\$	0
2031	10	(12)	-2	\$	451,000	\$	281,422	\$	732,422
2032	10	(4)	6	\$	451,000	\$	525,563	\$	976,563
2033	10	(4)	6	\$	451,000	\$	769,703	\$	1,220,703
2034	10	(4)	6	\$	451,000	\$	1,013,844	\$	1,464,844

Table 4 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the school district and Crockett County, with all property tax incentives sought being granted using estimated market value from the Application. The project has applied for a value limitation under Chapter 313, Tax Code and tax abatement with the county. The difference noted in the last line is the difference between Table 3 and Table 4:

	Table	4—Estimat	ed Direct	Ad Valo	rem	Taxes v	vitl	ı All Prope	erty Tax Inc	ent	ives Soug	ht	
Year	Estimated Taxable Value for I&S	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O		CCCCSD I&S Tax Levy		CCCSD M&O l'ax Levy	Mδ	CCCCSD &O and I&S Tax Levies	Crockett County Tax Levy	G	Crockett Co. roundwater Distr. Levy		Estimated otal Property Taxes
			Tax Rate ¹	0.0540		1.0600			0.9500		0.4367		
2020	\$ 591,780,000	\$ 25,000,000	9	\$ 319,561	\$	265,000	\$	584,561	\$ 2,248,764	\$	2,584,362	\$	5,417,688
2021	\$ 582,900,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 314,766	\$	265,000	\$	579,766	\$ 2,215,020	S	2,545,583	\$	5,340,369
2022	\$ 573,360,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 309,614	\$	265,000	Ş	574,614	\$ 2,178,768	\$	2,503,920	\$	5,257,303
2023	\$ 563,040,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 304,042	\$	265 000	Ş	569,042	\$ 2,139,552	\$	2,458,852	\$	5,167,446
2024	\$ 551,880,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 298,015	\$	265,000	Ş	563,015	\$ 2,097,144	\$	2,410,115	\$	5,070,274
2025	\$ 539,820,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 291,503	\$	265,000	\$	556,503	\$ 3,076,974	9	2,357,448	\$	5,990,925
2026	\$ 526,740,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 284,440	\$	265,000	Ş	549,440	\$ 3,002,418	Ş	2,300,326	\$	5,852,184
2027	\$ 512,700,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 276,858	\$	265,000	Ş	541,858	\$ 2,922,390	S	2,239,012	\$	5,703,260
2028	\$ 497,520,000	\$ 25,000,000	9	\$ 268,661	\$	265,000	Ş	533,661	\$ 2,835,864	\$	2,172,720	\$	5,542,244
2029	\$ 481,080,000	\$ 25,000,000		\$ 259,783	\$	265,000	Ş	524,783	\$ 2,742,156	S	2,100,924	\$	5,367,864
2030	\$ 463,380,000	\$ 463,380,000		\$ 250,225	\$	4,911,828	Ş	5,162,053	\$ 4,402,110	Ş	2,023,627	\$	11,587,790
2031	\$ 444,240,000	\$ 444,240,000		\$ 239,890	\$	4,708,944	Ş	4,948,834	\$ 4,220,280	S	1,940,041	\$	11,109,154
2032	\$ 423,600,000	\$ 423,600,000		\$ 228,744	\$	4,490,160	Ş	4,718,904	\$ 4,024,200	Ş	1,849,904	\$	10,593,008
2033	\$ 401,280,000	\$ 401,280,000		\$ 216,691	\$	4,253,568	\$	4,470,259	\$ 3,812,160	9	1,752,430	\$	10,034,849
2034	\$ 377,160,000	\$ 377,160,000		\$ 203,666	\$	3 997,896	\$	4,201 562	\$ 3,583,020	Ş	1,647,095	\$	9,431,678
			Total	\$ 4,066,459	\$	25,012,396	\$	29,078,855	\$ 45,500,820	\$	32,886,359	\$	107,466,034
			Diff	\$ 0	\$	54,810,692	\$	54,810,692	\$ 26,038,740	\$	6 0	\$	80,849,432

¹Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

Table 3 illustrates the estimated tax impact of the Applicant's project on the region if all taxes are assessed.

Year	Estimated Taxable Value for I&S	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O		CCCSD I&S ax Levy	CCCSD M&O 「ax Levy	Μ8	CCCCSD &O and I&S ax Levies		Crockett County Tax Levy	Gr	ockett Co. oundwater bistr. Levy	Estimated tal Propert Taxes
			Tax Rate ¹	0.0540	1.0600				0.4782		0.2236	
2020	\$ 591,780,000	\$ 591,780,000		\$ 319,561	\$ 6,272,868	\$	6,592,429	Ş	5,621,910	\$	2,584,362	\$ 14,798,702
2021	\$ 582,900,000	\$ 582,900,000		\$ 314,766	\$ 6,178,740	Ş	6,493,506	Ş	5,537,550	\$	2,545,583	\$ 14,576,639
2022	\$ 573,360,000	\$ 573,360,000		\$ 309,614	\$ 6,077,616	\$	6,387,230	Ş	5,446,920	\$	2,503,920	\$ 14,338,071
2023	\$ 563,040,000	\$ 563,040,000		\$ 304,042	\$ 5,968,224	\$	6,272,266	\$	5,348,880	\$	2,458,852	\$ 14,079,998
2024	\$ 551,880,000	\$ 551,880,000		\$ 298,015	\$ 5,849,928	\$	6,147,943	Ş	5,242,860	\$	2,410,115	\$ 13,800,918
2025	\$ 539,820,000	\$ 539,820,000		\$ 291,503	\$ 5,722,092	\$	6,013,595	Ş	5,128,290	\$	2,357,448	\$ 13,499,333
2026	\$ 526,740,000	\$ 526,740,000		\$ 284,440	\$ 5,583,444	\$	5,867,884	Ş	5,004,030	\$	2,300,326	\$ 13,172,240
2027	\$ 512,700,000	\$ 512,700,000		\$ 276,858	\$ 5,434,620	\$	5,711,478	Ş	4,870,650	\$	2,239,012	\$ 12,821,140
2028	\$ 497,520,000	\$ 497,520,000		\$ 268,661	\$ 5,273,712	\$	5,542,373	Ş	4,726,440	\$	2,172,720	\$ 12,441,532
2029	\$ 481,080,000	\$ 481,080,000		\$ 259,783	\$ 5,099,448	Ş	5,359,231	Ş	4,570,260	\$	2,100,924	\$ 12,030,410
2030	\$ 463,380,000	\$ 463,380,000		\$ 250,225	\$ 4,911,828	Ş	5,162,053	Ş	4,402,110	\$	2,023,627	\$ 11,587,790
2031	\$ 444,240,000	\$ 444,240,000		\$ 239,890	\$ 4,708,944	Ş	4,948,834	Ş	4,220,280	\$	1,940,041	\$ 11,109,154
2032	\$ 423,600,000	\$ 423,600,000		\$ 228,744	\$ 4,490,160	Ş	4,718,904	Ş	4,024,200	\$	1,849,904	\$ 10,593,008
2033	\$ 401,280,000	\$ 401,280,000		\$ 216,691	\$ 4,253,568	Ş	4,470,259	Ş	3,812,160	\$	1,752,430	\$ 10,034,849
2034	\$ 377,160,000	\$ 377,160,000		\$ 203,666	\$ 3,997,896	Ş	4,201 562	Ş	3,583,020	\$	1,647,095	\$ 9,431,678
			Total	\$ 4,066,459	\$ 79,823,088	\$	83,889,547	\$	71,539,560	•	32,886,359	\$ 188,315,4

¹Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

Board Finding Number 7.

The revenue gains that will be realized by the school district if the Application is approved will be significant in the long-term, with special reference to revenues used for supporting school district debt.

Board Finding Number 8.

The effect of the Applicant's proposal, if approved, on the number or size of needed school district instructional facilities is not expected to increase the District's facility needs, with current trends suggesting little underlying enrollment growth based on the impact of the project.

Board Finding Number 9.

The Applicant's project is reasonably likely to generate, before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the Agreement. This evaluation is based on an analysis of the estimated M&O portion of the school district property tax levy directly related to this project, using estimated taxable values provided in the Application. Attachment B of the economic impact study contains a year-by-year analysis as depicted in the following table:

	Tax Year	Estimated ISD I Tax Levy Gene (Annual)		Tax Le	ted ISD M&O evy Generated amulative)	Tax Levy	ed ISD M&O Loss as Result ment (Annual)	Tax Lev	ated ISD M&O yy Loss as Result nent (Cumulative)
Limitation	2017	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Pre-Years	2018	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Tic-Tears	2019	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
	2020	\$ 265,0	00	\$	265,000	\$	6,007,868	\$	6,007,868
	2021	\$ 265,0	00	\$	530,000	\$	5,913,740	\$	11,921,608
	2022	\$ 265,0	00	\$	795,000	\$	5,812,616	\$	17,734,224
Limitation	2023	\$ 265,0	00	\$	1,060,000	\$	5,703,224	\$	23,437,448
Period	2024	\$ 265,0	00	\$	1,325,000	\$	5,584,928	\$	29,022,376
(10 Years)	2025	\$ 265,0	00	\$	1,590,000	\$	5,457,092	\$	34,479,468
(10 Teals)	2026	\$ 265,0	00	\$	1,855,000	\$	5,318,444	\$	39,797,912
	2027	\$ 265,0	00	\$	2,120,000	\$	5,169,620	\$	44,967,532
	2028	\$ 265,0	00	\$	2,385,000	\$	5,008,712	\$	49,976,244
	2029	\$ 265,0	00	\$	2,650,000	\$	4,834,448	\$	54,810,692
	2030	\$ 4,911,8	28	\$	7,561,828	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
Maintain Viable	2031	\$ 4,708,9	44	\$	12,270,772	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
Presence	2032	\$ 4,490,1	60	\$	16,760,932	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
(5 Years)	2033	\$ 4,253,5	68	\$	21,014,500	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2034	\$ 3,997,8	96	\$	25,012,396	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2035	\$ 3,721,8	72	\$	28,734,268	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2036	\$ 3,423,5	88	\$	32,157,856	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2037	\$ 3,101,7	72	\$	35,259,628	\$	0	S	54,810,692
Additional Years	2038	\$ 2,754,5	16	\$	38,014,144	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
as Required by	2039	\$ 2,378,6		\$	40,392,784	\$	0	S	54,810,692
§ 313.026(c)(1)	2040	\$ 1,973,5	08	\$	42,366,292	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
(10 Years)	2041	\$ 1,590,0	00	\$	43,956,292	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
` ′	2042	\$ 1,590,0	00	\$	45,546,292	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2043	\$ 1,590,0	00	\$	47,136,292	\$	0	\$	54,810,692
	2044	\$ 1,590,0	00	\$	48,726,292	\$	0	\$	54,810,692

Analysis Summary

Is the project reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss as a result of the limitation agreement?

No

is less than

\$ 54,810,692

\$ 48,726,292

Year 2018 2019 2020	393 10 10	Employment Indirect + Induced 2,992 117	Total	Direct	Personal Income Indirect +	-		F	Revenue & Expenditure		
2018 2019 2020	393 10 10	Induced 2,992		Direct	Indirect +	/11 . 1					
2019 2020	10		3.385	Induced			Revenue	Expenditure	Ne	t Tax Effect	
2020	10	117		\$ 19,650,000	\$193,118,555	\$212,768,555		25619506.8	-6210327.1	\$	31,829,834
			127	\$ 451,000	\$ 25,183,766	\$ 25,634,766		1213073.7	2380371.1	-\$	1,167,297
	4.0	35	45	\$ 451,000	\$ 15,906,422	\$ 16,357,422		984191.9	2349853.5	-\$	1,365,662
2021	10	(24)	-14	\$ 451,000	\$ 8,704,273	\$ 9,155,273		656127.9	2250671.4	-\$	1,594,544
2022	10	(47)	-37	\$ 451,000	\$ 4,675,953	\$ 5,126,953		518798.8	2082824.7	-\$	1,564,026
2023	10	(57)	-47	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,624,195	\$ 2,075,195		495910.6	1914978.0	-\$	1,419,067
2024	10	(49)	-39	\$ 451,000	\$ 159,352	\$ 610,352		450134.3	1724243.2	-\$	1,274,109
2025	10	(47)	-37	\$ 451,000	-\$ 695,141	-\$ 244,141		366210.9	1541137.7	-\$	1,174,927
2026	10	(33)	-23	\$ 451,000	-\$ 451,000	\$ 0		373840.3	1350402.8	-\$	976,563
2027	10	(26)	-16	\$ 451,000	-\$ 451,000	\$ 0		335693.4	1190185.5	-\$	854,492
2028	10	(14)	-4	\$ 451,000	\$ 281,422	\$ 732,422		404357.9	1083374.0	-\$	679,016
2029	10	(14)	-4	\$ 451,000	-\$ 451,000	\$ 0		343322.8	961303.7	-\$	617,981
2030	10	(12)	-2	\$ 451,000	\$ 281,422	\$ 732,422		328064.0	839233.4	-\$	511,169
2031	10	(4)	6	\$ 451,000	\$ 525,563	\$ 976,563		312805.2	755310.1	-\$	442,505
2032	10	(4)	6	\$ 451,000	\$ 769,703	\$ 1,220,703		282287.6	640869.1	-\$	358,582
2033	10	(4)	6	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,013,844	\$ 1,464,844		244140.6	556945.8	-\$	312,805
2034	10	(2)	8	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,013,844	\$ 1,464,844		205993.7	480651.9	-\$	274,658
2035	10	(2)	8	\$ 451,000	\$ 769,703	\$ 1,220,703		152587.9	373840.3	-\$	221,252
2036	10	(4)	6	\$ 451,000	\$ 769,703	\$ 1,220,703		114440.9	312805.2	-S	198,364
2037	10	(10)	0	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,013,844	\$ 1,464,844		106811.5	282287.6	-\$	175,476
2038	10	(6)	4	\$ 451,000	\$ 769,703	\$ 1,220,703		61035.2	190734.9	-\$	129,700
2039	10	(10)	0	\$ 451,000	\$ 525,563	\$ 976,563		0.0	137329.1	-\$	137,329
2040	10	(10)	0	\$ 451,000	\$ 37,281	\$ 488,281		-30517.6	68664.6	-\$	99,182
2041	10	(12)	-2	\$ 451,000	-\$ 206,859	\$ 244,141		-30517.6	15258.8	-\$	45,776
2042	10	(20)	-10	\$ 451,000	\$ 525,563	\$ 976,563		0.0	-30517.6	\$	30,518
2043	10	(14)	-4	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,990,406	\$ 2,441,406		30517.6	-22888.2	\$	53,406
2044	10	(12)	-2	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,502,125	\$ 1,953,125		-15258.8	-106811.5	\$	91,553
2045	10	(10)	0	\$ 451,000	\$ 1,990,406	\$ 2,441,406		61035.2	-68664.6	\$	129,700
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							\$	65,266,819	is greater than	\$	54,810,629

Analysis Summary:

Is the project reasonable likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss as a result of the limitation agreement?

Yes

Board Finding Number 10.

The limitation on appraised value requested by the Applicant is a determining factor in the Applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state.

Board Finding Number 11.

The ability of the Applicant to locate the proposed facility in another state or another region of this state is substantial, as a result of the highly competitive marketplace for economic development.

In support of Findings 10 and 11, **Attachment C** of the economic impact study states:

The Comptroller has determined that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the Applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state. This is based on information available, including information provided by the Applicant. Specifically, the Comptroller notes the following:

- I. Per White Mesa Wind, LLC in Tab 5 of their Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value:
 - A. "The Project is in the middle stages of development as of the date of this application. This Project was selected as a candidate to explore for development because of the fertile wind resource and investment made in Crockett, access to the ERCOT market, and the favorable property tax incentives under the Tax Code, including the potential availability of tax abatement agreements under Tax Code Chapter 312 and a value limitation agreement under Tax Code Chapter 313."
 - B. "A myriad of variables remain undetermined at this early stage, and Apex could elect to allocate resources to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests. Apex would like to develop and build its proposed project, but given the number of undetermined variables at this early stage, a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement is necessary to make the economics of the project viable by providing relief for the greatest operational cost of the project. If Apex cannot secure a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement, resources will be likely reallocated to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests."

II. Per Comptroller research:

- A. Per the *White Mesa Wind* website under "About White Mesa Wind- Why Crockett County?" it states "Rural Crockett County was selected by Apex Clean Energy after a thorough examination of many candidate sites within Texas for the following reasons: Verified wind resource, Expansive commercial farmland, Existing network of state highways, Avoids sensitive military and environmental areas, Strong local landowner and community support."
- B. Also on the *White Mesa Wind* website under "About White Mesa Wind- Wind Energy for Rural America," Apex stated that "Now, a new study confirms wind energy is at the point where it's cheaper than coal, even without subsidies."

III. Supplemental information provided by the applicant:

- A. When asked if the project had alternative names, they stated "The project hasn't had any other names."
- B. The project has applied to ERCOT and the IGNR number is 19INR0128 which was assigned 1/29/18.
- C. The White Mesa Wind site went "live" on May 18, 2018.
- D. The Applicant did not consider a website to be equivalent to "a public statement in an SEC filing or other document." Our interpretation of "other document" was not broad enough to include a website. This is the only reason that the Applicant checked "NO" on Section 8, Question 4. There was no attempt to hold back any relevant information from the Comptroller for its determining factor analysis.
- E. Apex sometimes finds it useful to publish a website with information about a possible project and about wind energy projects in general when it is in the process of introducing itself to landowners for

the purpose of negotiating wind energy agreements such as leases and easements. When a potential participating landowner has questions about either (i) the proposed project, (ii) Apex's history and experience as a developer, or (iii) wind energy projects in general, the Apex employees meeting with landowners in the field can point them to the website for that information. It ensures that consistent information is being supplied to all potential landowners (and it gives landowners some assurance that they are all being provided the same information). It also displays a level of professionalism to landowners so that they will have confidence in Apex's ability to develop a good project that will use their land responsibly. In summary, the website is a tool to assist with the. Applicant's development efforts in the project area. It does not serve as an announcement that a project is definitely going to be built.

F. The White Mesa project still faces development obstacles and financial obstacles, including securing a 313 agreement from the school district. All of the statements that were made in Tab 5 of the application to assist the Comptroller in its "determining factor" analysis remain true. The securing of a Chapter 313 agreement remains an essential factor in Apex selecting the White Mesa project for development over its other current pending development opportunities.

Supporting Information

- a) Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- b) Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- c) Additional information provided by the Applicant or located by the Comptroller

Board Finding Number 12.

The Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District hired consultants to review and verify the information in Application #1284. Based upon the consultants' review, the Board has determined that the information provided by the Applicant appears to be true and correct.

Board Finding Number 13.

The Board of Trustees has determined that the Tax Limitation Amount requested by the Applicant is currently \$25 Million Dollars (\$25,000,000), which is consistent with the minimum values currently set out by Texas Tax Code § 313.027(b).

Board Finding Number 14.

The Applicant (Taxpayer ID 32065462809) is eligible for the limitation on appraised value of Qualified Property as specified in the Agreement based on its "good standing" certification as a franchise-tax paying entity.

Board Finding Number 15.

The Agreement for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, attached hereto as Exhibit C, includes adequate and appropriate revenue protection provisions for the District.

Board Finding Number 16.

Considering the purpose and effect of the law and the terms of the Agreement, it is in the best interest of the District and the State to enter into the attached Agreement for

Board Findings of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District

Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes.

It is therefore ORDERED that the Agreement attached hereto as **Exhibit C** is approved and hereby authorized to be executed and delivered by and on behalf of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District. It is further ORDERED that these Findings and the Attachments referred to herein be attached to the official minutes of this meeting and maintained in the permanent records of the Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District.

Dated the 19th day of December, 2018.

CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT

By:

Dwight Childress

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

By:

Amy Newton Justin M

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Findings and Order of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees under the Texas Economic Development Act on the Application Submitted by White Mesa Wind, LLC (Tax ID 32065462809) (Application #1284)

EXHIBIT A

Comptroller's Economic Impact Analysis



GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

P.O. Box 13528 • Austin, TX 78711-3528

October 31, 2018

Raul Chavarria Superintendent Crockett County Consolidated Common School District 797 Ave D Ozona, Texas 76943

Re:

Certificate for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations taxes by and between Crockett County Consolidated Common School District and White Mesa Wind, LLC, Application 1284

Dear Superintendent Chavarria:

On September 14, 2018, the Comptroller issued written notice that White Mesa Wind, LLC (applicant) submitted a completed application (Application 1284) for a limitation on appraised value under the provisions of Tax Code Chapter 313.¹ This application was originally submitted on July 18, 2018, to the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District (school district) by the applicant.

This presents the results of the Comptroller's review of the application and determinations required:

- 1) under Section 313.025(h) to determine if the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C; and
- 2) under Section 313.025(d), to issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value of the property and provide the certificate to the governing body of the school district or provide the governing body a written explanation of the Comptroller's decision not to issue a certificate, using the criteria set out in Section 313.026.

Determination required by 313.025(h)

Sec. 313.024(a) Applicant is subject to tax imposed by Chapter 171.

Sec. 313.024(b) Applicant is proposing to use the property for an eligible project.

¹ All Statutory references are to the Texas Tax Code, unless otherwise noted.

Sec. 313.024(d) Applicant has committed to create the required number of new

qualifying jobs and pay all jobs created that are not qualifying jobs a wage that exceeds the county average weekly wage for all jobs in the

county where the jobs are located.

Sec. 313.024(d-2) Not applicable to Application 1284.

Based on the information provided by the applicant, the Comptroller has determined that the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C.

Certificate decision required by 313.025(d)

Determination required by 313.026(c)(1)

The Comptroller has determined that the project proposed by the applicant is reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district's maintenance and operations *ad valorem tax* revenue lost as a result of the agreement before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, see Attachment B.

Determination required by 313.026(c)(2)

The Comptroller has determined that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state, see Attachment C.

Based on these determinations, the Comptroller issues a certificate for a limitation on appraised value. This certificate is contingent on the school district's receipt and acceptance of the Texas Education Agency's determination per 313.025(b-1).

The Comptroller's review of the application assumes the accuracy and completeness of the statements in the application. If the application is approved by the school district, the applicant shall perform according to the provisions of the Texas Economic Development Act Agreement (Form 50-826) executed with the school district. The school district shall comply with and enforce the stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement, applicable Texas Administrative Code and Chapter 313, per TAC 9.1054(i)(3).

This certificate is no longer valid if the application is modified, the information presented in the application changes, or the limitation agreement does not conform to the application. Additionally, this certificate is contingent on the school district approving and executing the agreement by December 31, 2018.

Note that any building or improvement existing as of the application review start date of September 14, 2018, or any tangible personal property placed in service prior to that date may not become "Qualified Property" as defined by 313.021(2) and the Texas Administrative Code.

Should you have any questions, please contact Will Counihan, Director, Data Analysis & Transparency, by email at will.counihan@cpa.texas.gov or by phone toll-free at 1-800-531-5441, ext. 6-0758, or at 512-936-0758.

Sincerely,

Lisa Craven

Deputy Comptroller

Enclosure

cc: Will Counihan

Attachment A - Economic Impact Analysis

The following tables summarize the Comptroller's economic impact analysis of White Mesa Wind, LLC (project) applying to Crockett County Consolidated Common School District (district), as required by Tax Code, 313.026 and Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d)(2).

Table 1 is a summary of investment, employment and tax impact of White Mesa Wind, LLC.

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Applicant	White Mesa Wind, LLC
Tax Code, 313.024 Eligibility Category	Renewable Energy Electric Generation-Wind
School District	Crockett County Consolidated CSD
2017-2018 Average Daily Attendance	693
County	Crockett
Proposed Total Investment in District	\$600,000,000
Proposed Qualified Investment	\$600,000,000
Limitation Amount	\$25,000,000
Qualifying Time Period (Full Years)	2019-2020
Number of new qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	10
Number of new non-qualifying jobs estimated by applicant	0
Average weekly wage of qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	\$867
Minimum weekly wage required for each qualifying job by Tax Code, 313.021(5)(B)	\$45,016
Minimum annual wage committed to by applicant for qualified jobs	\$45,100
Minimum weekly wage required for non-qualifying jobs	\$773
Minimum annual wage required for non-qualifying jobs	\$40,210
Investment per Qualifying Job	\$60,000,000
Estimated M&O levy without any limit (15 years)	\$79,823,088
Estimated M&O levy with Limitation (15 years)	\$25,012,396
Estimated gross M&O tax benefit (15 years)	\$54,810,692

 $\textbf{Table 2} \ \text{is the estimated statewide economic impact of White Mesa Wind, LLC (modeled)}.$

Year	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total
2019	393	2,992	3,385	\$19,650,000	\$193,118,555	
2020	10	117	126.953	\$451,000	\$25,183,766	
2021	10	35	45	\$451,000	\$15,906,422	\$16,357,422
2022	10	(24)	-14	\$451,000	\$8,704,273	\$9,155,273
2023	10	(47)	-37	\$451,000	\$4,675,953	\$5,126,953
2024	10	(57)	-47	\$451,000	\$1,624,195	\$2,075,195
2025	10	(49)	-39	\$451,000	\$159,352	\$610,352
2026	10	(47)	-37	\$451,000	-\$695,141	-\$244,141
2027	10	(33)	-23	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0
2028	10	(26)	-16	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0
2029	10	(14)	-4	\$451,000	\$281,422	\$732,422
2030	10	(14)	-4	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0
2031	10	(12)	-2	\$451,000	\$281,422	\$732,422
2032	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$525,563	\$976,563
2033	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$769,703	\$1,220,703
2034	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$1,013,844	\$1,464,844

Source: CPA REMI, White Mesa Wind, LLC

Table 3 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the region if all taxes are assessed.

	Estimated	Estimated		Crockett	Crockett County	Crockett County CCSD	Crockett	Crockett City Groundwater	
	Taxable Value	Taxable Value		County CCSD	CCSD M&O Tax	M&O and I&S	County Tax	District Tax	Estimated Total
Үеаг	for I&S	for M&O		I&S Tax Levy	Levy	Tax Levies	Levy	Levy	Property Taxes
			Tax Rate	0.0540	1.0600		0.9500	0.4367	
2020	\$591,780,000	\$591,780,000		\$319,561	\$6,272,868	\$6,592,429	\$5,621,910	\$2,584,362	\$14,798,702
2021	\$582,900,000	\$582,900,000		\$314,766	\$6,178,740	\$6,493,506	\$5,537,550	\$2,545,583	\$14,576,639
2022	\$573,360,000	\$573,360,000		\$309,614	\$6,077,616	\$6,387,230	\$5,446,920	\$2,503,920	\$14,338,071
2023	\$563,040,000	\$563,040,000		\$304,042	\$5,968,224	\$6,272,266	\$5,348,880	\$2,458,852	\$14,079,998
2024	\$551,880,000	\$551,880,000		\$298,015	\$5,849,928	\$6,147,943	\$5,242,860	\$2,410,115	\$13,800,918
2025	\$539,820,000	\$539,820,000		\$291,503	\$5,722,092	\$6,013,595	\$5,128,290	\$2,357,448	\$13,499,333
2026	\$526,740,000	\$526,740,000		\$284,440	\$5,583,444	\$5,867,884	\$5,004,030	\$2,300,326	\$13,172,240
2027	\$512,700,000	\$512,700,000		\$276,858	\$5,434,620	\$5,711,478	\$4,870,650	\$2,239,012	\$12,821,140
2028	\$497,520,000	\$497,520,000		\$268,661	\$5,273,712	\$5,542,373	\$4,726,440	\$2,172,720	\$12,441,532
2029	\$481,080,000	\$481,080,000		\$259,783	\$5,099,448	\$5,359,231	\$4,570,260	\$2,100,924	\$12,030,416
2030	\$463,380,000	\$463,380,000		\$250,225	\$4,911,828	\$5,162,053	\$4,402,110	\$2,023,627	\$11,587,790
2031	\$444,240,000	\$444,240,000		\$239,890	\$4,708,944	\$4,948,834	\$4,220,280	\$1,940,041	\$11,109,154
2032	\$423,600,000	\$423,600,000		\$228,744	\$4,490,160	\$4,718,904	\$4,024,200	\$1,849,904	\$10,593,008
2033	\$401,280,000	\$401,280,000		\$216,691	\$4,253,568	\$4,470,259	\$3,812,160	\$1,752,430	\$10,034,849
2034	\$377,160,000	\$377,160,000		\$203,666	\$3,997,896	\$4,201,562	\$3,583,020	\$1,647,095	\$9,431,678
			Total	\$4,066,459	\$79,823,088	\$83,889,547	\$71,539,560	\$32,886,359	\$188,315,466

Source: CPA, White Mesa Wind, LLC *Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

Table 4 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the school district and Crockett County, with all property tax incentives sought being granted using estimated market value from the application. The project has applied for a value limitation under Chapter 313, Tax Code and tax abatement with the county.

The difference noted in the last line is the difference between the totals in Table 3 and Table 4.

Year	Estimated Taxable Value for I&S	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O		Crockett County CCSD I&S Tax Levy	Crockett County CCSD M&O Tax Levy	Crockett County CCSD M&O and I&S Tax Levies	Crockett County Tax Levy	Crockett City Groundwater District Tax Levy	Estimated Total Property Taxes
			Tax Rate	0.0540	1.0600		0.9500	0.4367	
2020	\$591,780,000	\$25,000,000		\$319,561	\$265,000	\$584,561	\$2,248,764	\$2,584,362	\$5,417,688
2021	\$582,900,000	\$25,000,000		\$314,766	\$265,000	\$579,766	\$2,215,020	\$2,545,583	\$5,340,369
2022	\$573,360,000	\$25,000,000		\$309,614	\$265,000	\$574,614	\$2,178,768	\$2,503,920	\$5,257,303
2023	\$563,040,000	\$25,000,000		\$304,042	\$265,000	\$569,042	\$2,139,552	\$2,458,852	\$5,167,446
2024	\$551,880,000	\$25,000,000		\$298,015	\$265,000	\$563,015	\$2,097,144	\$2,410,115	\$5,070,274
2025	\$539,820,000	\$25,000,000		\$291,503	\$265,000	\$556,503	\$3,076,974	\$2,357,448	\$5,990,925
2026	\$526,740,000	\$25,000,000		\$284,440	\$265,000	\$549,440	\$3,002,418	\$2,300,326	\$5,852,184
2027	\$512,700,000	\$25,000,000		\$276,858	\$265,000	\$541,858	\$2,922,390	\$2,239,012	\$5,703,260
2028	\$497,520,000	\$25,000,000		\$268,661	\$265,000	\$533,661	\$2,835,864	\$2,172,720	\$5,542,244
2029	\$481,080,000	\$25,000,000		\$259,783	\$265,000	\$524,783	\$2,742,156	\$2,100,924	\$5,367,864
2030	\$463,380,000	\$463,380,000		\$250,225	\$4,911,828	\$5,162,053	\$4,402,110	\$2,023,627	\$11,587,790
2031	\$444,240,000	\$444,240,000		\$239,890	\$4,708,944	\$4,948,834	\$4,220,280	\$1,940,041	\$11,109,154
2032	\$423,600,000	\$423,600,000		\$228,744	\$4,490,160	\$4,718,904	\$4,024,200	\$1,849,904	\$10,593,008
2033	\$401,280,000	\$401,280,000		\$216,691	\$4,253,568	\$4,470,259	\$3,812,160	\$1,752,430	\$10,034,849
2034	\$377,160,000	\$377,160,000		\$203,666	\$3,997,896	\$4,201,562	\$3,583,020	\$1,647,095	\$9,431,678
			Total	\$4,066,459	\$25,012,396	\$29,078,855	\$45,500,820	\$32,886,359	\$107,466,034
			Diff	\$0	\$54,810,692	\$54,810,692	\$26,038,740	\$0	\$80,849,432

Source: CPA, White Mesa Wind, LLC *Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

Disclaimer: This examination is based on information from the application submitted to the school district and forwarded to the comptroller. It is intended to meet the statutory requirement of Chapter 313 of the Tax Code and is not intended for any other purpose.

Attachment B - Tax Revenue before 25th Anniversary of Limitation Start

This represents the Comptroller's determination that White Mesa Wind, LLC (project) is reasonably likely to generate, before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the agreement. This evaluation is based on an analysis of the estimated M&O portion of the school district property tax levy and direct, indirect and induced tax effects from project employment directly related to this project, using estimated taxable values provided in the application.

	Tax Year	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Cumulative)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Cumulative)
Limitation	2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-Years	2018	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tie iears	2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	2020	\$265,000	\$265,000	\$6,007,868	\$6,007,868
	2021	\$265,000	\$530,000	\$5,913,740	\$11,921,608
	2022	\$265,000	\$795,000	\$5,812,616	\$17,734,224
I i i i i	2023	\$265,000	\$1,060,000	\$5,703,224	\$23,437,448
Limitation Period	2024	\$265,000	\$1,325,000	\$5,584,928	\$29,022,376
(10 Years)	2025	\$265,000	\$1,590,000	\$5,457,092	\$34,479,468
(10 Tears)	2026	\$265,000	\$1,855,000	\$5,318,444	\$39,797,912
	2027	\$265,000	\$2,120,000	\$5,169,620	\$44,967,532
	2028	\$265,000	\$2,385,000	\$5,008,712	\$49,976,244
	2029	\$265,000	\$2,650,000	\$4,834,448	\$54,810,692
	2030	\$4,911,828	\$7,561,828	\$0	\$54,810,692
Maintain Viable	2031	\$4,708,944	\$12,270,772	\$0	\$54,810,692
Presence	2032	\$4,490,160	\$16,760,932	\$0	\$54,810,692
(5 Years)	2033	\$4,253,568	\$21,014,500	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2034	\$3,997,896	\$25,012,396	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2035	\$3,721,872	\$28,734,268	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2036	\$3,423,588	\$32,157,856	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2037	\$3,101,772	\$35,259,628	\$0	\$54,810,692
Additional Years	2038	\$2,754,516	\$38,014,144	\$0	\$54,810,692
as Required by	2039	\$2,378,640	\$40,392,784	\$0	\$54,810,692
313.026(c)(1)	2040	\$1,973,508	\$42,366,292	\$0	\$54,810,692
(10 Years)	2041	\$1,590,000	\$43,956,292	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2042	\$1,590,000	\$45,546,292	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2043	\$1,590,000	\$47,136,292	\$0	\$54,810,692
	2044	\$1,590,000	\$48,726,292	\$0	\$54,810,692

Analysis Summary	
Is the project reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss	
as a result of the limitation agreement?	No

is less than

\$54,810,692

\$48,726,292

Source: CPA, White Mesa Wind, LLC

		Employment		Personal Income			Revenue & Expenditure			
Year	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Revenue	Expenditure	Net Tax Effec	
2019	393	2,992	3,385	\$19,650,000	\$193,118,555	########	25619506.8	-6210327.1	\$31,829,83	
2020	10	117	126.953	\$451,000		\$25,634,766	1213073.7	2380371.1	-\$1,167,29	
2021	10	35	45	\$451,000	\$15,906,422	\$16,357,422	984191.9	2349853.5	-\$1,365,66	
2022	10	(24)	-14	\$451,000	\$8,704,273	\$9,155,273	656127.9	2250671.4	-\$1,594,54	
2023	10	(47)	-37	\$451,000	\$4,675,953	\$5,126,953	518798.8	2082824.7	-\$1,564,02	
2024	10	(57)	-47	\$451,000	\$1,624,195	\$2,075,195	495910.6	1914978	-\$1,419,00	
2025	10	(49)	-39	\$451,000	\$159,352	\$610,352	450134.3	1724243.2	-\$1,274,10	
2026	10	(47)	-37	\$451,000	-\$695,141	-\$244,141	366210.9	1541137.7	-\$1,174,92	
2027	10	(33)	-23	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0	373840.3	1350402.8	-\$976,56	
2028	10	(26)	-16	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0	335693.4	1190185.5	-\$854,49	
2029	10	(14)	-4	\$451,000	\$281,422	\$732,422	404357.9	1083374	-\$679,0	
2030	10	(14)	-4	\$451,000	-\$451,000	\$0	343322.8	961303.7	-\$617,98	
2031	10	(12)	-2	\$451,000	\$281,422	\$732,422	328064	839233.4	-\$511,16	
2032	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$525,563	\$976,563	312805.2	755310.1	-\$442,50	
2033	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$769,703	\$1,220,703	282287.6	640869.1	-\$358,58	
2034	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$1,013,844	\$1,464,844	244140.6	556945.8	-\$312,80	
2035	10	(2)	8	\$451,000	\$1,013,844	\$1,464,844	205993.7	480651.9	-\$274,65	
2036	10	(2)	8	\$451,000	\$769,703	\$1,220,703	152587.9	373840.3	-\$221,25	
2037	10	(4)	6	\$451,000	\$769,703	\$1,220,703	114440.9	312805.2	-\$198,30	
2038	10	(10)	0	\$451,000	\$1,013,844	\$1,464,844	106811.5	282287.6	-\$175,47	
2039	10	(6)	4	\$451,000	\$769,703	\$1,220,703	61035.2	190734.9	-\$129,70	
2040	10	(10)	0	\$451,000	\$525,563	\$976,563	0	137329.1	-\$137,32	
2041	10	(10)	0	\$451,000	\$37,281	\$488,281	-30517.6	68664.6	-\$99,18	
2042	10	(12)	-2	\$451,000	-\$206,859	\$244,141	-30517.6	15258.8	-\$45,77	
2043	10	(20)	-10	\$451,000	\$525,563	\$976,563	0			
2044	10	(14)	-4	\$451,000	\$1,990,406	\$2,441,406	30517.6	-22888.2	\$53,40	
2045	10	(12)	-2	\$451,000	\$1,502,125	\$1,953,125	-15258.8	-106811.5	\$91,5	
2046	10	(10)	0	\$451,000	\$1,990,406	\$2,441,406	61035.2	-68664.6	\$129,70	
			Total		\$33,584,595	\$17,044,067	\$16,540,5			
							\$65,266,819	is greater than	\$54,810,629	
Analysis Summary s the project reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss as a result of the imitation agreement?									Yes	

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Attachment C – Limitation as a Determining Factor

Tax Code 313.026 states that the Comptroller may not issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value under this chapter for property described in an application unless the comptroller determines that "the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state." This represents the basis for the Comptroller's determination.

Methodology

Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d) states the Comptroller shall review any information available to the Comptroller including:

- the application, including the responses to the questions in Section 8 (Limitation as a Determining Factor);
- public documents or statements by the applicant concerning business operations or site location issues or in which the applicant is a subject;
- statements by officials of the applicant, public documents or statements by governmental or industry officials concerning business operations or site location issues;
- existing investment and operations at or near the site or in the state that may impact the proposed project;
- announced real estate transactions, utility records, permit requests, industry publications or other sources that may provide information helpful in making the determination; and
- market information, raw materials or other production inputs, availability, existing facility locations, committed incentives, infrastructure issues, utility issues, location of buyers, nature of market, supply chains, other known sites under consideration.

Determination

The Comptroller **has determined** that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the White Mesa Wind, LLC's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state. This is based on information available, including information provided by the applicant. Specifically, the comptroller notes the following:

- Per White Mesa Wind, LLC in Tab 5 of their Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value:
 - A. "The Project is in the middle stages of development as of the date of this application. This Project was selected as a candidate to explore for development because of the fertile wind resource and investment made in Crockett, access to the ERCOT market, and the favorable property tax incentives under the Tax Code, including the potential availability of tax abatement agreements under Tax Code Chapter 312 and a value limitation agreement under Tax Code Chapter 313."
 - B. "A myriad of variables remain undetermined at this early stage, and Apex could elect to allocate resources to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests. Apex would like to develop and build its proposed project, but given the number of undetermined variables at this early stage, a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement is necessary to make the economics of the project viable by providing relief for the greatest operational cost of the project. If Apex cannot secure a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement, resources will be likely reallocated to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests."
- Per Comptroller research:
 - A. Per the *White Mesa Wind* website under "About White Mesa Wind- Why Crockett County?" it states "Rural Crockett County was selected by Apex Clean Energy after a thorough examination of many candidate sites within Texas for the following reasons: Verified wind resource, Expansive commercial farmland, Existing network of state highways, Avoids sensitive military and environmental areas, Strong local landowner and community support."
 - B. Also on the *White Mesa Wind* website under "About White Mesa Wind- Wind Energy for Rural America," Apex stated that "Now, a new study confirms wind energy is at the point where it's cheaper than coal, even without subsidies. *"

- Supplemental information provided by the applicant:
 - A. When asked if the project had alternative names, they stated "The project hasn't had any other names."
 - B. The project has applied to ERCOT and the IGNR number is 19INR0128 which was assigned 1/29/18.
 - C. The White Mesa Wind site went "live" on May 18, 2018.
 - D. The Applicant did not consider a website to be equivalent to "a public statement in an SEC filing or other document." Our interpretation of "other document" was not broad enough to include a website. This is the only reason that the Applicant checked "NO" on Section 8, Question 4. There was no attempt to hold back any relevant information from the Comptroller for its determining factor analysis.
 - E. Apex sometimes finds it useful to publish a website with information about a possible project and about wind energy projects in general when it is in the process of introducing itself to landowners for the purpose of negotiating wind energy agreements such as leases and easements. When a potential participating landowner has questions about either (i) the proposed project, (ii) Apex's history and experience as a developer, or (iii) wind energy projects in general, the Apex employees meeting with landowners in the field can point them to the website for that information. It ensures that consistent information is being supplied to all potential landowners (and it gives landowners some assurance that they are all being provided the same information). It also displays a level of professionalism to landowners so that they will have confidence in Apex's ability to develop a good project that will use their land responsibly. In summary, the website is a tool to assist with the Applicant's development efforts in the project area. It does not serve as an announcement that a project is definitely going to be built.
 - F. The White Mesa project still faces development obstacles and financial obstacles, including securing a 313 agreement from the school district. All of the statements that were made in Tab 5 of the application to assist the Comptroller in its "determining factor" analysis remain true. The securing of a Chapter 313 agreement remains an essential factor in Apex selecting the White Mesa project for development over its other current pending development opportunities.

Supporting Information

- a) Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- b) Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- c) Additional information provided by the Applicant or located by the Comptroller

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Supporting Information

Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Data Analysis and Transparency Form 50-296-A

S	ECTIC	N 6: Eligibility Under Tax Code Chapter 313.024	W.	BIO	37	-33		
1.	Are y	ou an entity subject to the tax under Tax Code, Chapter 171?		Yes		No		
2.	2. The property will be used for one of the following activities:							
	(1)	manufacturing	Н	Yes		No		
	(2)	research and development	Щ	Yes	\mathbf{A}	No		
	(3)	a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, Water Code		Yes	\checkmark	No		
	(4)	an advanced clean energy project, as defined by Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code		Yes	\checkmark	No		
	(5)	renewable energy electric generation	1	Yes		No		
	(6)	electric power generation using integrated gasification combined cycle technology		Yes	1	No		
	(7)	nuclear electric power generation		Yes	\	No		
	(8)	a computer center that is used as an integral part or as a necessary auxiliary part for the activity conducted by						
		applicant in one or more activities described by Subdivisions (1) through (7)		Yes	V	No		
	(9)	a Texas Priority Project, as defined by 313.024(e)(7) and TAC 9.1051	Щ	Yes		No		
3.	Are yo	ou requesting that any of the land be classified as qualified investment?		Yes	$ \checkmark $	No		
4.	Will a	ny of the proposed qualified investment be leased under a capitalized lease?		Yes		No		
5.	Will a	ny of the proposed qualified investment be leased under an operating lease?		Yes	√	No		
6.	Are yo	ou including property that is owned by a person other than the applicant?		Yes	\checkmark	No		
7.		ny property be pooled or proposed to be pooled with property owned by the applicant in determining the amount of						
	your o	qualified investment?		Yes	V	No		
S	ECTIC	N 7: Project Description	Ē,	1				
1.		4, attach a detailed description of the scope of the proposed project, including, at a minimum, the type and planned use of nal property, the nature of the business, a timeline for property construction or installation, and any other relevant informatio		and tar	gible			
2.	Check	the project characteristics that apply to the proposed project:						
	1	Land has no existing improvements (complete Section 13)						
		Expansion of existing operation on the land (complete Section 13) Relocation within Texas						
S	ECTIO	N 8: Limitation as Determining Factor	200	100	38	78		
1.	Does	the applicant currently own the land on which the proposed project will occur?		Yes	V	No		
2.	Has tl	ne applicant entered into any agreements, contracts or letters of intent related to the proposed project?	1	Yes		No		
3.	Does	the applicant have current business activities at the location where the proposed project will occur?		Yes	1	No		
4.	Has th	ne applicant made public statements in SEC filings or other documents regarding its intentions regarding the						
	propo	sed project location?		Yes	1	No		
5.	Has th	ne applicant received any local or state permits for activities on the proposed project site?		Yes	\checkmark	No		
6.	Has th	ne applicant received commitments for state or local incentives for activities at the proposed project site?		Yes	\checkmark	No		
7.	Is the	applicant evaluating other locations not in Texas for the proposed project?	/	Yes		No		
8.		ne applicant provided capital investment or return on investment information for the proposed project in comparison						
	with o	ther alternative investment opportunities?		Yes	1	No		
9.	Has th	ne applicant provided information related to the applicant's inputs, transportation and markets for the proposed project?		Yes	1	No		
10.		ou submitting information to assist in the determination as to whether the limitation on appraised value is a determining	<u>1</u>		-			
factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in Texas?						No		
Chapter 313.026(e) states "the applicant may submit information to the Comptroller that would provide a basis for an affirmative determination under Subsection (c)(2)." If you answered "yes" to any of the questions in Section 8, attach supporting information in Tab 5.								

Supporting Information

Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value

Tab 5

Documentation to assist in determining if limitation is a determining factor

Apex, the ultimate parent company of White Mesa Wind, LLC, has been in the renewable energy sector for over nine years and has capabilities in the development, financing, construction and operation of over 14,000 MW of independent power assets throughout the United States, of which over 1000 MW have the opportunity to be developed in Texas.

The Project is in the middle stages of development as of the date of this application. This Project was selected as a candidate to explore for development because of the fertile wind resource and investment made in Crockett, access to the ERCOT market, and the favorable property tax incentives under the Tax Code, including the potential availability of tax abatement agreements under Tax Code Chapter 312 and a value limitation agreement under Tax Code Chapter 313.

The approval of the Project's application for a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation remains an essential factor in the Project being selected for development by Apex. A myriad of variables remain undetermined at this early stage, and Apex could elect to allocate resources to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests.

Apex would like to develop and build its proposed project, but given the number of undetermined variables at this early stage, a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement is necessary to make the economics of the project viable by providing relief for the greatest operational cost of the project. If Apex cannot secure a Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation Agreement, resources will be likely reallocated to other developable counties and/or states competing for similar projects where Apex has land interests. Apex is currently developing the following facilities that are competing for investment capital with the proposed project in Crockett County:

- a. A large wind farm in Illinois known internally as "Lincoln Land";
- b. A large wind farm in Minnesota known internally as "Big Bend";
- c. A large wind farm in Michigan known internally as "Isabella";
- d. A large wind farm in Indiana known internally as "Roaming Bison";
- e. A large wind farm in Colorado known internally as "Antelope Creek"; and
- f. A large wind farm in New Mexico known internally as "Grady Martin."

Supporting Information

Additional information provided by the Applicant or located by the Comptroller

COMPTROLLER QUERY RELATED TO TAX CODE CHAPTER 313.026(c)(2) – Crockett County CCSD– White Mesa Wind, LLC App. #1284

Comptroller Questions (via email on September 13, 2018):

- 1. List any other names by which this project may have known in the past--in media reports, investor presentations, or any listings with any federal or state agency.
- 2. Has this project applied to ERCOT at this time? If so, please provide the project's IGNR number and date it was assigned.

Comptroller Questions (via email on October 9, 2018):

1. While doing research on the project I found http://www.whitemesawind.com/can you tell me when this site was created?

Comptroller Questions (via email on October 12, 2018):

- 1. Why no statement was indicated on the application for the White Mesa Wind website (http://whitemesawind.com) under Tab5 and Section 8 Question 4?
- 2. Explain the purpose of the White Mesa Wind website as it pertains to this project and its potential location?
- 3. The White Mesa Wind website became active on May 18, 2018 which is before a chapter 313 application was filed with Crockett County CCSD, can you explain the discrepancy?

Applicant Response (via email on September 13, 2018):

- 1. The project hasn't had any other names.
- 2. IGNR: 19INR0128 assigned 1/29/18

Applicant Response (via email on October 9, 2018):

1. The site was "live" on May 18, 2018.

Applicant Response (via email on October 15, 2018):

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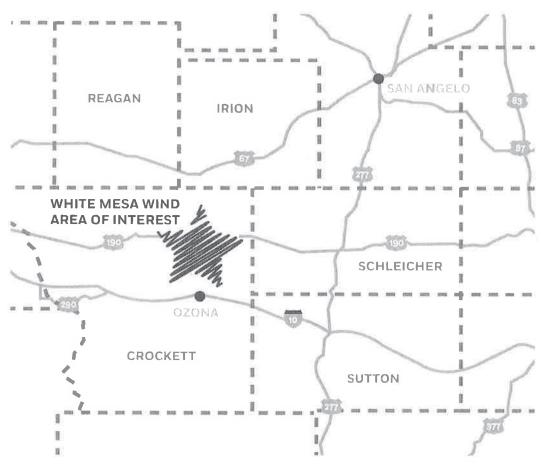
back any relevant information from the Comptroller for its determining factor analysis.

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WHITE MESA WIND PROJECT PROFILE

Apex Clean Energy will be actively meeting with landowners, community leaders, and the public to share information about White Mesa Wind as the project progresses. We are excited to be a part of your community.

Many of the details about the proposed White Mesa project are yet to be determined. For example, it's far too early to tell which turbines we will use, exactly how many there will be, or where these turbines will be located. However, as we continue to develop this project, more of these details will be determined, and we will share project updates with you here on this site.

PROJECT SUMMARY

- Planned to be located on approximately 50,000 acres of open farmland in rural Crockett County
- Capable of producing up to 500 MW of clean, homegrown energy, enough to power 180,000 U.S. homes each year
- Expected to consist of up to 150 wind turbines, spaced approximately 1/4 to 1/2 mile apart on active farmland
- Each wind turbine, including the access road, typically requires less than half an acre
 of land
- Farmers would continue farming their land with very limited disturbance
- Will represent a significant investment in local economy with revenues for farmers, local government, and schools
- Will create up to 200 full-time-equivalent jobs during construction
- Will create up to 12 permanent jobs at a local operations and maintenance facility

WHY CROCKETT COUNTY?

If built, White Mesa will have a capacity of up to 500 MW, producing enough energy to power 180,000 homes every year. Representing a private investment in excess of \$582 million, White Mesa will benefit the economy of Crockett County in the near term with construction jobs and local purchasing of materials and services. In the long term, the project promises to bring sustained



tax revenue to the county for the local government as well as 30 years of local purchasing, employment, and investment.

Rural Crockett County was selected by Apex Clean Energy after a thorough examination of many candidate sites within Texas for the following reasons:

- Verified wind resource
- Expansive commercial farmland
- Existing network of state highways

- Avoids sensitive military and environmental areas
- Strong local landowner and community support

Farmers who host turbines on their property and other participating landowners will also receive annual lease payments. These payments will continue over the projected 30-year lifespan of the wind farm, injecting millions of dollars into the economy of Crockett County to support local merchants, contractors, and equipment suppliers.

WIND ENERGY FOR RURAL AMERICA

The cost of wind energy has dropped more than 50% over the past five years, providing a cost-competitive source for clean electricity across the nation. Now, a new study confirms wind energy is at the point where it's cheaper than coal, even without subsidies.* Wind powers the equivalent of 18 million American homes each year.** Wind energy comes with many benefits, including reduced pollution, increased domestic employment, consumer cost savings, water conservation, nationwide availability, and increased community revenues.*** Wind turbines compliment working farms, because they allow for existing agricultural operations to continue around them. They also help farmers by diversifying the rural economy and providing a consistent, drought-resistant new harvest.

POTENTIAL TIMELINE

There are many steps in the process to completion of White Mesa. This means construction is unlikely before 2019. Apex will be working closely with Crockett County on the project planning and permitting, offering additional opportunities for the public to provide input into the process.

- *Minnesota Public Radio, Study: Renewable energy now Minnesota's 2nd-largest electricity source, March 2018
- **AWEA, Wind Energy Facts at a Glance, March 2015
- ***Department of Energy, Wind Vision: A New Era for Wind Power in the United States, 2015

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Findings and Order of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees under the Texas Economic Development Act on the Application Submitted by White Mesa Wind, LLC (Tax ID 32065462809) (Application #1284)

EXHIBIT B

Summary of Financial Impact on Rankin ISD Prepared by Jigsaw School Finance Solutions, LLC



SUMMARY OF THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED

APEX CLEAN ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC – WHITE MESA WIND PROJECT (APPLICATION #1284)

ON THE FINANCES OF CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT

UNDER A REQUESTED CHAPTER 313 APPRAISED VALUE LIMITATION

PREPARED BY
JIGSAW SCHOOL FINANCE SOLUTIONS, LLC
NOVEMBER 7, 2018



Introduction

Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC is requesting an appraised value limitation under Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code from the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District for the White Mesa Wind LLC Project, a proposed wind powered electric generating project in Crockett County. The owner of the project is Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC, an independent renewable energy company based in Charlottesville, VA. Since its founding in 2009, Apex has become one of the fastest-growing companies in the industry. Apex has completed construction of wind facilities and started construction on additional projects in Illinois, Texas, and Oklahoma. Operating assets under management by Apex have grown to approximately 1000 MW as of the first quarter of 2018. The company has a diversified portfolio of over 14,000 MW of wind energy facilities in development around the country (including over 1000 MW in Texas) and owns several operating solar PV assets. The company's management team comprises experts from throughout the industry whose collective prior experience includes the development, financing, construction and operation of over \$10 billion in wind and solar energy facilities now operating in the United States.

White Mesa Wind, LLC is proposing to construct, operate, and maintain a renewable energy facility (project) utilizing wind-powered electric generation equipment to be located in Crockett County, Texas. The overall project is anticipated to have a capacity of 500 MW consisting of 200 GE 2.5 MW wind turbines. Construction is expected to begin in the first Quarter of 2019 with completion by the end of 2019. The project will interconnect into the ERCOT market's power grid at the substation located in Schneeman substation located in Crockett County. An approximately 22 mile transmission line will connect the project's collector substation to the ERCOT substation. The project will lease land from local land owners. The expected project area for the entire project is approximately 118, 608.

Local government entities in Texas, including school districts, rely heavily on the ad valorem property tax to fund operations and building projects. The property tax burden that Texas imposes on individuals and business entities is higher compared to most other states. Seeking to incentivize economic development and to attract large scale capital investment, the 77th Texas Legislature in 2001 enacted House Bill 1200, creating Tax Code Chapter 313, of the Texas Economic Development Act. The act, as amended by the legislature in 2007, 2009, and 2013, grants eligibility to clean energy projects such as the proposed White Mesa Wind, LLC. Under the provisions of the Texas Economic Development Act, Crockett County Consolidated Common School District may grant a value limitation for maintenance and operation taxes in the amount of \$25 million for a period of ten years. Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC believes that the Crockett County site is favorable for a wind powered energy generation facility and is anxious to complete the project. However, the company contends that it has numerous other sites in Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Colorado and New Mexico that would be appropriate for wind farm construction. They argue that local tax incentives granted by local taxing entities such as the one provided by a Chapter 313 Tax Limitation agreement are essential to attract investors and make the project economically viable in Texas.

The application calls for any value associated with the project to be fully taxable for both maintenance and operation (M&O) and interest and sinking (I&S) during the 2018-19 and 2019-20 school years. Beginning with the 2020-21 school year, the value of the project would be limited to \$25 million for maintenance and operation (M&O) tax purposes and remain limited through the 2029-30 school year. The full value of the project will be taxable for debt service purposes in all years of the agreement.



Revenue Protection Payments to CCCCSD \$ 5,205,394 Supplemental Payments to CCCCSD \$ 1,075,215 M&O Taxes Paid to CCCCSD \$ 35,259,628 Total Revenue to CCCCSD \$ 41,540,237

Total Tax Savings to Company after all Payments \$ 48,530,083

School Finance Mechanics

The Texas system of public school funding is based on the ad valorem property tax. Schools levy a tax rate for maintenance and operation (M&O) and interest and sinking (I&S) against a current year tax roll. State funding, and/or recapture, is calculated using a prior year value certified by the Comptroller's Property Tax Division (CPTD). Texas school districts are funded by some combination of local ad valorem property taxes and state aid. Most of the money that a school district generates through the funding formulas is generated in Tier 1. Local M&O collections at the compressed tax rate generate Tier 1 funding. Through school year 2016-17, a school district's Tier I revenue was the greater of the adjusted minimum target revenue amount or the state share of Tier 1 plus local M&O collections at the compressed rate. Through the 2016-17 school year, Crockett County Consolidated Common School District's Adjusted Target Revenue Funding was greater than the State Share of Tier 1 plus local Tax Collections at the compressed rate, generating Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction. Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction or ASATR is eliminated. All school districts in the state will be formula funded. However a special session of the Texas Legislature in the summer of 2017 provided hold harmless money for districts that would have generated Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction in 2017-18. That money is currently being distributed to the ASATR eligible districts in the form of a grant. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District will receive approximately \$80,092 in grant money for 2018-19. This money is over and above money generated in the Foundation School Program formulas.

The Tier 1 formulas start with a Basic Allotment per student of \$5,140. Calculations that use the number of students in average daily attendance, the number of students who participate in special programs and adjustments for size, sparsity, and location determine a Total Cost of Tier 1. A Local Fund Assignment is determined by multiplying the district's compressed tax rate by the previous year (CPTD) property value. This formula determines the local ad valorem property taxes the district must collect in order to satisfy the district's share of the Tier 1 cost. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District currently is a relatively property wealthy "Category 3" school district that has a wealth per student of more than the statewide wealth per student. School districts that are relatively property wealthy per student, such as Crockett County Consolidated Common School District, will generate more than the Total Cost of Tier 1 and will fund most of the Total Cost of Tier 1 with local ad valorem property taxes. School districts that are relatively property poor per student will receive most of the Total Cost of Tier 1 from state aid.

Pennies that districts levy over and above the compressed tax rate and up to \$1.17 generate additional state and local funding in Tier 2 Level 1 and Tier 2 Level 2. Current funding formulas provide for a Guaranteed Yield per penny per WADA of \$99.41 in 2017-18 and \$106.28 in 2018-19 for Tier 2 Level 1 and a Guaranteed Yield per penny per WADA of \$31.95 per penny per WADA in Tier 2 Level 2. A successful Tax Rate Election has given the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District's board the approval to adopt an M&O tax rate up to \$1.06, if applicable current year rollback calculations permit, enabling the



district to access state and local revenue generated by pennies in excess of \$1.04 and up to \$1.06. This allows the district to access six pennies that are not subject to recapture. The district currently levies an M&O rate of \$1.06.

In an attempt to provide some degree of funding equity among school districts, the formulas provide two equalized wealth levels. Districts that exceed the first equalized wealth level of \$514,000 per weighted ADA are subject to recapture on taxes collected at the compressed rate. Districts that exceed the second equalized wealth level of \$319,500 per weighted ADA are subject to recapture on revenues collected on pennies that exceed six pennies over the compressed rate. Wealth per Weighted ADA calculations currently show the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District to have a wealth per weighted ADA of approximately \$1,769,115, making the district subject to recapture at the district's compressed rate of \$1.00. The district also greatly exceeds the second equalized wealth level of \$319,500 per WADA but will not be subject to recapture at the second equalized wealth level unless district voters approve pennies in excess of six pennies over the compressed rate in a future Tax Rate Election.

Apex Clean Energy Holdings is requesting that the value of the White Mesa Wind, LLC project be limited to \$25 million in years three through twelve of the agreement. The full value of the project would be subject to interest and sinking taxes (I&S) levied by the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District in all years of the agreement. The Revenue Protection Clause of the proposed agreement calls for the school district to be held harmless against total state and local maintenance and operation revenue losses as a result of the value limitation agreement. Revenue Protection calculations are to be made using whatever property tax laws and school funding formulas are in place at that time in years three through twelve of the agreement. In the third year of these agreements, the first year when the value of the property is limited, the school district will likely see a significant loss in total revenue. Estimates show a loss of approximately \$3,363,063 in the 2020-21 school year. In years four through twelve when the prior year CPTD values are more closely aligned to the current year CAD values, no losses or smaller losses in total state and local revenue should be anticipated. As per the language in the contract, the company will be required to make Revenue Protection Payments to the district in an amount equal to the loss of state and local revenue as a result of the limitation in all years of the agreement.

Underlying Assumptions

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees and administration need reasonable estimates of the long term impact that the proposed value limitation will have on school district revenue streams. Calculations for both Maintenance and Operation and Interest and Sinking are needed in order to determine whether the agreement is in the long term financial best interest of the school district.

The approach used in this report was to predict fifteen years of base data, including average daily attendance, M&O and I&S tax rates, maintenance and operation (M&O) tax collections, current year (CAD) values and prior year (CPTD) values for each year of the agreement. Current year (CAD) values and prior year (CPTD) values were forecast both with the full and the limited value of the project.

To isolate the impact of the value limitation on the school district's finances over this fifteen year agreement, Average Daily Attendance and Maintenance and Operation tax rates were held constant at levels that exist in the 2017-18 school year. An ADA of 716 and an M&O tax rate of \$1.06 were used for each forecasted year. The Crockett County Appraisal District certified Crockett County Consolidated



Common School District's 2018 taxable value at \$1,268,101,640. These values were used as the basis for subsequent current year (CAD) values in this report. The final 2017 T1, T2, T3, T4, T7, T9 and T10 Comptroller Property Tax Division (CPTD) values also certified to the school district in late July 2018 were used as a basis for predicting prior year (CPTD) values for each of the agreement years.

The proposed agreement calls for the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District to be held harmless against total state and local revenue losses that might occur as a result of the value limitation being in effect for any given year of the agreement. In order to predict when and if these revenue losses may occur, two models were developed. The **Table 2** illustration incorporates the full value of the White Mesa Wind, LLC project into the state and local funding calculations. The **Table 3** illustration assumes that only the limited value of the White Mesa Wind, LLC project is available for M&O taxation purposes. In any year of the limitation period where total state and local funding with the full project value exceeds the total state and local funding produced when the limited value is used, a Revenue Protection Payment is indicated for that year. The results of these calculations are illustrated in **Table 4**.

Financial Impact on the School District

Utilizing the assumptions and methodology described above, total Maintenance and Operation revenue was calculated with the limitation in place and without the limitation in place for each year of the agreement. The calculations show a total loss of state and local revenue in the 2020-21 school year totaling \$3,363,063. The 2020 tax year, which applies to the 2020-21 school year, is the year that the full value of the project is predicted to be \$591,780,000 and the first year that the value limitation is in place. The calculations show that when the full value of the project is included, it generates an additional \$6,007,868 in state and local tax revenue when compared to the calculation in **Table 3** that factors in only the limited value of the project. The revenue loss to the district is due to additional M&O tax collections net of recapture at the compressed rate on the calculation using the full value of the project and additional M&O tax revenue on the calculation with the full value of the project generated by the six pennies levied over and above the compressed rate. Calculations show small revenue losses in years four through twelve.

M&O Impact on Taxpayer

The terms of the proposed agreement call for the Maintenance and Operation (M&O) value of the White Mesa Wind , LLC project to be limited to \$25 million starting in tax year 2020 (school year 2020-21) and remaining limited through tax year 2029 (school year 2029-30). The potential gross and net tax savings to Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC are shown in **Table 5**. As stated earlier, an M&O tax rate of \$1.06 and a collection rate of 100% is used throughout the calculations in this report. **Table 5** shows gross tax savings due to the limitation of \$49,605,298 throughout the length of the contract. Tax savings net of the Revenue Protection Payments and Supplemental Payments are estimated to be \$48,530,083.

Facilities Funding Impact

Reports submitted by Apex Clean Energy Holdings show the full value of the property being depreciated over time. Even so, the full value of the project will be available to the district for I&S and will enhance the district's ability to service current and future debt obligations. Texas funding laws provide assistance to school districts for debt service purposes in the form of the Instructional Facilities Allotment and the Existing Debt Allotment. The formulas provide a guarantee of \$35 per penny per ADA for the Instructional Facilities Allotment and approximately \$38 per ADA per penny of tax effort for the Existing Debt



Allotment. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District has property wealth per ADA that greatly exceeds this amount and is thus not eligible for this state assistance. While the project is expected to provide additional employment opportunities in the area, the impact on student enrollment is predicted to be minimal.

Conclusion

The tax limitation agreement that is proposed by Apex Clean Energy Holdings – White Mesa Wind LLC will benefit the community, the school district, and Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC. The wind farm and related infrastructure brings large scale capital investment to the area and will act as an economic stimulus. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District will benefit from a growing tax base that can be leveraged to provide first class facilities for faculty and students. The estimates in this report show substantial property tax savings available to Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC due to the ten year limitation that applies to Maintenance and Operation (M&O) taxes.



Table 1—Base District Information with High Lonesome Wind Farm - Project Value and Limitation Values

Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

Year of Agreement	School Year	ADA	WADA	Assumed M&O Tax Rate	Assumed I&S Tax Rate	CAD Value No Limit	CAD Value with Limitation	CPTD No Limit	CPTD With Limitation	CPTD Value with Project per WADA	CPTD Value with Limitation per WADA
0	2018-19	717	1,284	\$1.0600		\$1,253,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$1,215,926,398	\$1,215,926,398		\$946,983
QTP1	2019-20	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,253,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$976,200	\$976,200
QTP2/L1	2020-21	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,845,220,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$1,253,440,910	\$976,200	\$976,200
L2	2021-22	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,836,340,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,845,220,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,437,088	\$995,670
L3	2022-23	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,826,800,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,836,340,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,430,172	\$995,670
L4	2023-24	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,816,480,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,826,800,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,422,742	\$995,670
L5	2024-25	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,805,320,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,816,480,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,414,705	\$995,670
L6	2025-26	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,793,260,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,805,320,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,406,013	\$995,670
L7	2026-27	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,780,180,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,793,260,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,396,621	\$995,670
L8	2027-28	717	1,284	\$1.0600		\$1,766,140,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,780,180,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,386,434	\$995,670
L9	2028-29	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,750,960,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,766,140,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,375,499	\$995,670
L10	2029-30	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,734,520,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,750,960,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,363,677	\$995,670
MVP1	2030-31	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,716,820,910	\$1,716,820,910	\$1,734,520,910	\$1,278,440,910	\$1,350,873	\$995,670
MVP2	2031-32	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,697,680,910	\$1,697,680,910	\$1,716,820,910	\$1,716,820,910	\$1,337,088	\$1,337,088
MVP3	2032-33	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,677,040,910	\$1,677,040,910	\$1,697,680,910	\$1,697,680,910	\$1,322,181	\$1,322,181
MVP4	2033-34	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,654,720,910	\$1,654,720,910	\$1,677,040,910	\$1,677,040,910	\$1,306,107	\$1,306,107
MVP5	2034-35	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,634,656,910	\$1,634,656,910	\$1,654,720,910	\$1,654,720,910	\$1,288,723	\$1,288,723
	2035-36	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,615,596,110	\$1,615,596,110	\$1,634,656,910	\$1,634,656,910	\$1,273,097	\$1,273,097
	2036-37	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,597,488,350	\$1,597,488,350	\$1,615,596,110	\$1,615,596,110	\$1,258,252	\$1,258,252
	2037-38	717	1,284	\$1.0600	\$0.1440	\$1,580,285,978	\$1,580,285,978	\$1,597,488,350	\$1,597,488,350	\$1,244,150	\$1,244,150

Basic Allotment: \$5140; AISD Yield: 2015-16 \$74.28/2016-17 and beyond \$77.53.; Equalized Wealth: \$514,000 per WADA

Table 2—"Baseline Revenue Model"—Project Value Added with No Value Limitation

Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

Year of Agreement	School Year	Foundation School Fund	Available School Fund	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (net of recapture and up to compressed rate)	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (up to \$.06 above compressed rate; no recapture)	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (net of any recapture)	Recapture at Level 1 EWL	Recapture at Level 2 EWL	Other State Aid	Total General Fund
0	2018-19	\$175,111			\$752,065		\$5,625,625	\$0	\$0	\$8,154,364
QTP1	2019-20	\$149,771	\$143,363		\$752,065		\$5,824,002	\$0	\$0	\$7,755,605
QTP2/L1	2020-21	\$181,322	\$268,805		\$1,107,133		\$8,617,012	\$0	\$0	\$11,392,457
L2	2021-22	\$90,352					\$11,592,990	\$0	\$0	\$8,105,938
L3	2022-23	\$90,313			\$1,096,081	\$0	\$11,501,501	\$0	\$0	\$8,221,707
L4	2023-24	\$90,271	\$318,404	\$6,762,021	\$1,089,889		\$11,402,788	\$0	\$0	\$8,260,585
L5	2024-25	\$90,226	\$143,363	\$6,757,146	\$1,083,193	\$0	\$11,296,063	\$0	\$0	\$8,073,928
L6	2025-26	\$90,177	\$268,805	\$6,751,863	\$1,075,957		\$11,180,746	\$0	\$0	\$8,186,802
L7	2026-27	\$90,125	\$143,363	\$6,745,929	\$1,068,109	\$0	\$11,055,880	\$0	\$0	\$8,047,525
L8	2027-28	\$90,068	\$268,805	\$6,739,975	\$1,059,685	\$0	\$10,921,435	\$0	\$0	\$8,158,532
L9	2028-29	\$90,006	\$318,404	\$6,733,108	\$1,050,577	\$0	\$10,776,501	\$0	\$0	\$8,192,095
L10	2029-30	\$89,940	\$143,363	\$6,725,496	\$1,040,713	\$0	\$10,619,713	\$0	\$0	\$7,999,510
MVP1	2030-31	\$89,868	\$268,805	\$6,717,547	\$1,030,093		\$10,450,662	\$0	\$0	\$8,106,312
MVP2	2031-32	\$89,791	\$143,363	\$6,708,551	\$1,018,609		\$10,268,258	\$0	\$0	\$7,960,313
MVP3	2032-33	\$89,707	\$268,805	\$6,698,900	\$1,006,225		\$10,071,509	\$0	\$0	\$8,063,637
MVP4	2033-34	\$89,617	\$318,404	\$6,688,076	\$992,833	\$0	\$9,859,133	\$0	\$0	\$8,088,929
MVP5	2034-35	\$89,532			\$980,794		\$9,654,123	\$0	\$0	\$7,906,135
0	2035-36	\$89,453	\$268,805	\$6,692,409	\$969,358	\$0	\$9,463,552	\$0	\$0	\$8,020,024
0	2036-37	\$89,377	\$143,363	\$6,692,444	\$958,493	\$0	\$9,282,440	\$0	\$0	\$7,883,677
0	2037-38	\$89,306	\$268,805	\$6,692,543	\$948,172	\$0	\$9,110,317	\$0	\$0	\$7,998,825



Table 3—"Value Limitation Revenue Model"—Project Value Added with Value Limit

Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

Year of Agreement	School Year	Foundation School Fund	Available School Fund	up to compressed rate)	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (up to \$.06 above compressed rate; no recapture)	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (net of any recapture)	Recapture at Level 1 EWL	Recapture at Level 2 EWL	Other State Aid	Total General Fund
0	2018-19	\$175,111			\$752,065	* *		\$0	\$0	\$8,154,364
QTP1	2019-20	\$149,771			\$752,065			\$0		\$7,755,605
QTP2/L1	2020-21	\$151,109						\$0		\$8,029,394
L2	2021-22	\$134,771						\$0		\$7,759,486
L3	2022-23	\$134,771	\$268,805				4 - 7 7	\$0		\$7,884,929
L4	2023-24	\$134,771	\$318,404					\$0		\$7,934,528
L5	2024-25	\$134,771	\$143,363		\$767,065		*-//	\$0		\$7,759,486
L6	2025-26	\$134,771	\$268,805					\$0		\$7,884,929
L7	2026-27	\$134,771	\$143,363					\$0		\$7,759,486
L8	2027-28	\$134,771	\$268,805					\$0		\$7,884,929
L9	2028-29	\$134,771	\$318,404				, ,	\$0	\$0	\$7,934,528
L10	2029-30	\$134,771	\$143,363	\$6,714,288	\$767,065	\$0	\$6,070,121	\$0	\$0	\$7,759,486
MVP1	2030-31	\$152,587	\$268,805	\$8,983,810	\$1,030,093			\$0		\$10,435,295
MVP2	2031-32	\$89,791	\$143,363	\$6,708,551	\$1,018,609	\$0	\$10,268,258	\$0	\$0	\$7,960,313
MVP3	2032-33	\$89,707	\$268,805	\$6,698,900	\$1,006,225	\$0	\$10,071,509	\$0	\$0	\$8,063,637
MVP4	2033-34	\$89,617	\$318,404	\$6,688,076	\$992,833	\$0	\$9,859,133	\$0	\$0	\$8,088,929
MVP5	2034-35	\$89,532	\$143,363	\$6,692,446	\$980,794	\$0	\$9,654,123	\$0	\$0	\$7,906,135
0	2035-36	\$89,453	\$268,805	\$6,692,409	\$969,358	\$0	\$9,463,552	\$0	\$0	\$8,020,024
0	2036-37	\$89,377	\$143,363	\$6,692,444	\$958,493	\$0	\$9,282,440	\$0	\$0	\$7,883,677
0	2037-38	\$89,306	\$268,805	\$6,692,543	\$948,172	\$0	\$9,110,317	\$0	\$0	\$7,998,825

Table 4—"Baseline Revenue Model" Less "Value Limitation Model"

Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

Year of Agreement	School Year	Foundation School Fund	Available School Fund	M&O Rev From Local Taxes (net of recapture and up to compressed rate)		M&O Rev From Local Taxes (net of any recapture)	Recapture at Level 1 EWL	Recapture at Level 2 EWL	Other State Aid	Total General Fund	School District Revenue Losses
0	2018-19	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
QTP1	2019-20	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
QTP2/L1	2020-21	-\$30,213	\$0	-\$2,992,782	-\$340,068	\$0	-\$2,675,018	\$0	\$0	-\$3,363,063	-\$3,363,063
L2	2021-22	\$44,419	\$0	-\$56,131	-\$334,740	\$0	-\$5,522,869	\$0	\$0	-\$346,452	-\$346,452
L3	2022-23	\$44,458	\$0	-\$52,220	-\$329,016	\$0	-\$5,431,380	\$0	\$0	-\$336,778	-\$336,778
L4	2023-24	\$44,500	\$0	-\$47,734	-\$322,824	\$0	-\$5,332,666	\$0	\$0	-\$326,058	-\$326,058
L5	2024-25	\$44,545		-\$42,859	-\$316,128		-\$5,225,941	\$0			
L6	2025-26	\$44,594	\$0	-\$37,575	-\$308,892	\$0	-\$5,110,625	\$0	\$0	-\$301,873	-\$301,873
L7	2026-27	\$44,647	\$0	-\$31,641	-\$301,044	\$0	-\$4,985,759	\$0	\$0	-\$288,038	\$0
L8	2027-28	\$44,704	\$0	-\$25,687	-\$292,620		-\$4,851,313	\$0		-\$273,603	-\$273,603
L9	2028-29	\$44,765		-\$18,820	-\$283,512	\$0	-\$4,706,380	\$0			-\$257,567
L10	2029-30	\$44,832		-\$11,208			-\$4,549,592	\$0			
MVP1	2030-31	\$62,719		\$2,266,263	\$0		-\$2,266,263	\$0		\$2,328,983	
MVP2	2031-32	\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0			
MVP3	2032-33	\$0		\$0			\$0	\$0			
MVP4	2033-34	\$0		\$0			\$0	\$0			
MVP5	2034-35	\$0		\$0			\$0	\$0			
0	2035-36	\$0		\$0			\$0	\$0			
0	2036-37	\$0		\$0			\$0	\$0			
0	2037-38	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



Table 5—Estimated Financial Impact

Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

	Year of Agreement	School Year	Project Value	Estimated Taxable Value	Value Savings	Assumed	Taxes Before		Tax Savings	Tax Benefit to Company Before Revenue Protection	School District Revenue Losses	Estimated Net Tax Benefits	School District Benefit \$100 per ADA	Company Tax Benefit
0	0	2018-19	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0600	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	. ,	-\$71,681
Q∏1	0	2019-20	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0600	\$0	* * *	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
QTP2/L1	0	2020-21	\$591,780,000	\$25,000,000	\$566,780,000	1.0600	\$6,272,868		\$6,007,868		-\$3,363,063	\$2,644,805	\$71,681	\$2,573,124
L2	0	2021-22	\$582,900,000	\$25,000,000	\$557,900,000	1.0600	\$6,178,740	\$265,000	\$5,913,740	\$5,913,740	-\$346,452	\$5,567,288	\$71,681	\$5,495,607
L3	0	2022-23	\$573,360,000	\$25,000,000	\$548,360,000	1.0600	\$6,077,616	\$265,000	\$5,812,616	\$5,812,616	-\$336,778	\$5,475,838	\$71,681	\$5,404,157
L4	0	2023-24	\$563,040,000	\$25,000,000	\$538,040,000	1.0600	\$5,968,224	\$265,000	\$5,703,224	\$5,703,224	-\$326,058	\$5,377,166	\$71,681	\$5,305,485
L5	0	2024-25	\$551,880,000	\$25,000,000	\$526,880,000	1.0600	\$5,849,928	\$265,000	\$5,584,928	\$5,584,928	\$0	\$5,584,928	\$71,681	\$5,513,247
L6	0	2025-26	\$539,820,000	\$25,000,000	\$514,820,000	1.0600	\$5,722,092	\$265,000	\$5,457,092	\$5,457,092	-\$301,873	\$5,155,219	\$71,681	\$5,083,538
L7	0	2026-27	\$526,740,000	\$25,000,000	\$501,740,000		\$5,583,444	\$265,000	\$5,318,444	\$5,318,444	\$0	\$5,318,444	\$71,681	\$5,246,763
L8	0	2027-28	\$512,700,000	\$25,000,000	\$487,700,000	1.0600			\$5,169,620	\$5,169,620	-\$273,603	\$4,896,017	\$71,681	\$4,824,336
L9	0	2028-29	\$497,520,000	\$25,000,000	\$472,520,000	1.0600	\$5,273,712	\$265,000	\$5,008,712	\$5,008,712	-\$257,567	\$4,751,145	\$71,681	\$4,679,464
L10	0	2029-30	\$481,080,000	\$25,000,000	\$456,080,000	1.0600	\$5,099,448	\$265,000	\$4,834,448	\$4,834,448	\$0	\$4,834,448	\$71,681	\$4,762,767
MVP1	0	2030-31	\$463,380,000	\$463,380,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,911,828	\$4,911,828	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP2	0	2031-32	\$444,240,000	\$444,240,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,708,944	\$4,708,944	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP3	0	2032-33	\$423,600,000	\$423,600,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,490,160	\$4,490,160	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP4	0	2033-34	\$401,280,000	\$401,280,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,253,568	\$4,253,568	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MVP5	0	2034-35	\$377,160,000	\$377,160,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,997,896	\$3,997,896	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0	2035-36	\$351,120,000	\$351,120,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,721,872	\$3,721,872	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
-	0	2036-37	\$322,980,000	\$322,980,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,423,588	\$3,423,588	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0	2037-38	\$292,620,000	\$292,620,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,101,772		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	7.	
	TOTALS						\$90,070,320	\$35,259,628	\$54,810,692	\$54,810,692	-\$5,205,394	\$49,605,298	\$1,075,215	\$48,530,083

QTP = Qualifying Time Period LP = Limitation Period

VP = Continue to Maintain Viable Presence

*Note: School District Revenue-Loss estimates are subject to change based on various factors, including Legislative and Texas Education Agency administrative changes to school finance formulas, year-to-year project appraisal values, and changes in school district tax rates and enrollment. One of the most substantial changes to the school finance formulas related to Chapter 313 revenue-loss projections could be the treatment of Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR). Legislative intent is to end ASATR in 2017-18 school year. Additional information on the assumptions used in preparing these estimates is provided in the narrative of this Report.

Table 5 Estimated Financial Impact Crockett County CCSD, Apex Clean Energy Holdings LLC - White Mesa Project, #1284, November 7, 2019

	Year of Agreement	School Year	Project Value	Estimated Taxable Value	Value Savings	Assumed M&O Tax Rate	Taxes Before Value Limit	Taxes after Value Limit	Tax Savings @ Projected M&O Rate	Tax Benefit to Company Before Revenue Protection	School District Revenue Losses	Estimated Net Tax Benefits	School District Benefit \$100 per ADA	Company Tax Benefit
0	0	2018-19	\$0	·	\$0		\$0	\$0	·	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
QTP1	0	2019-20	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
QTP2/L1	0	2020-21	\$591,780,000	\$25,000,000	\$566,780,000		\$6,272,868	\$265,000	\$6,007,868			\$2,644,805	\$71,681	\$2,573,124
L2	0	2021-22	\$582,900,000	\$25,000,000	\$557,900,000	1.0600	\$6,178,740	\$265,000	\$5,913,740	\$5,913,740	-\$346,452	\$5,567,288	\$71,681	\$5,495,607
L3	0	2022-23	\$573,360,000	\$25,000,000	\$548,360,000	1.0600	\$6,077,616	\$265,000	\$5,812,616	\$5,812,616	-\$336,778	\$5,475,838	\$71,681	\$5,404,157
L4	0	2023-24	\$563,040,000	\$25,000,000	\$538,040,000	1.0600	\$5,968,224	\$265,000	\$5,703,224	\$5,703,224	-\$326,058	\$5,377,166	\$71,681	\$5,305,485
L5	0	2024-25	\$551,880,000	\$25,000,000	\$526,880,000	1.0600	\$5,849,928	\$265,000	\$5,584,928	\$5,584,928	\$0	\$5,584,928	\$71,681	\$5,513,247
L6	0	2025-26	\$539,820,000	\$25,000,000	\$514,820,000	1.0600	\$5,722,092	\$265,000	\$5,457,092	\$5,457,092	-\$301,873	\$5,155,219	\$71,681	\$5,083,538
L7	0	2026-27	\$526,740,000	\$25,000,000	\$501,740,000	1.0600	\$5,583,444	\$265,000	\$5,318,444	\$5,318,444	\$0	\$5,318,444	\$71,681	\$5,246,763
L8	0	2027-28	\$512,700,000	\$25,000,000	\$487,700,000	1.0600	\$5,434,620	\$265,000	\$5,169,620	\$5,169,620	-\$273,603	\$4,896,017	\$71,681	\$4,824,336
L9	0	2028-29	\$497,520,000	\$25,000,000	\$472,520,000	1.0600	\$5,273,712	\$265,000	\$5,008,712	\$5,008,712	-\$257,567	\$4,751,145	\$71,681	\$4,679,464
L10	0	2029-30	\$481,080,000	\$25,000,000	\$456,080,000	1.0600	\$5,099,448	\$265,000	\$4,834,448	\$4,834,448	\$0	\$4,834,448	\$71,681	\$4,762,767
MVP1	0	2030-31	\$463,380,000	\$463,380,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,911,828	\$4,911,828	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP2	0	2031-32	\$444,240,000	\$444,240,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,708,944	\$4,708,944	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP3	0	2032-33	\$423,600,000	\$423,600,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,490,160	\$4,490,160	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,681	-\$71,681
MVP4	0	2033-34	\$401,280,000	\$401,280,000	\$0	1.0600	\$4,253,568	\$4,253,568	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MVP5	0	2034-35	\$377,160,000	\$377,160,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,997,896	\$3,997,896	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0	2035-36	\$351,120,000	\$351,120,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,721,872	\$3,721,872	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0	2036-37	\$322,980,000	\$322,980,000	\$0	1.0600	\$3,423,588	\$3,423,588	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0	2037-38	\$292,620,000	\$292,620,000	\$0	1.0600		\$3,101,772		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
[TOTALS						\$90,070,320	\$35,259,628	\$54,810,692	\$54,810,692	-\$5,205,394	\$49,605,298	\$1,075,215	\$48,530,083

*Note: School District Revenue-Loss estimates are subject to change based on various factors, including legislative and Texas Education Agency administrative changes to school finance formulas, year-to-year project appraisal values, and changes in school district tax rates. Additional information on the assumptions used in preparing these estimates is provided in the narrative of this Report.

Findings and Order of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees under the Texas Economic Development Act on the Application Submitted by White Mesa Wind, LLC (Tax ID 32065462809) (Application #1284)

EXHIBIT C

Proposed Agreement between Crockett County Consolidated Common School District and White Mesa Wind, LLC



GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

P.O. Box 13528 • Austin, TX 78711-3528

December 14, 2018

Raul Chavarria Superintendent Crockett County Consolidated Common School District 797 Ave D Ozona, Texas 76943

Re:

Agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations taxes by and between Crockett County Consolidated Common School District and White Mesa Wind, LLC, Application 1284

Dear Superintendent Chavarria:

This office has been provided with the Agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations taxes by and between Crockett County Consolidated Common School District and White Mesa Wind, LLC (Agreement). As requested, the Agreement has been reviewed pursuant to 34 TAC 9.1055(e)(1).

Based on our review, this office concludes that the agreement complies with the provisions of Tax Code, Chapter 313 and 34 TAC Chapter 9, Subchapter F.

Should you have any questions, please contact Tabita Collazo with our office. She can be reached by email at tabita.collazo@cpa.texas.gov or by phone at 1-800-531-5441, ext. 5-5626, or at 512-475-5626.

Sincerely,

Will Counihan

Director

Data Analysis & Transparency Division

CC:

Sara Leon, Powell & Leon, LLP Mark Goodwin, Apex Clean Energy Faith Tyler, Apex Clean Energy

David Sewell, Stahl, Bernal, Davies, Sewell & Chavarria, LLP

AGREEMENT FOR LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES

by and between

CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT

and

WHITE MESA WIND, LLC

(Texas Taxpayer ID # 32065462809)

Comptroller Application #1284

Dated

December 19, 2018

AGREEMENT FOR LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES

STATE OF TEXAS	ſ
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THIS AGREEMENT FOR LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES, hereinafter referred to as this "Agreement," is executed and delivered by and between the **CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT**, hereinafter referred to as the "District," a lawfully created consolidated school district within the State of Texas operating under and subject to the TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, and **WHITE MESA WIND, LLC**, Texas Taxpayer Identification Number 32065462809, hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant." The Applicant and the District are hereinafter sometimes referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2018, the Superintendent of Schools of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District, acting as agent of the Board of Trustees of the District, received from the Applicant an Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code;

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2018, the Board of Trustees has acknowledged receipt of the Application, and along with the requisite application fee as established pursuant to Section 313.025(a) of the TEXAS TAX CODE and Local District Policy CCG (Local), and agreed to consider the Application;

WHEREAS, the Application was delivered to the Texas Comptroller's Office for review pursuant to Section 313.025 of the TEXAS TAX CODE;

WHEREAS, the District and the Texas Comptroller's Office have determined that the Application is complete and September 14, 2018 is the Application Review Start Date as that term is defined by 34 TEXAS ADMIN. CODE Section 9.1051;

WHEREAS, pursuant to 34 TEXAS ADMIN. CODE Section 9.1054, the Application was delivered to the Crockett County Appraisal District established in Crockett County, Texas (the "Crockett County Appraisal District"), pursuant to Section 6.01 of the TEXAS TAX CODE;

WHEREAS, the Texas Comptroller's Office reviewed the Application pursuant to Section 313.025 of the Texas Tax Code, conducted an economic impact evaluation pursuant to Section 313.026 of the Texas Tax Code, and on October 31, 2018, issued a certificate for limitation on appraised value of the property described in the Application and provided the certificate to the District;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed and carefully considered the economic impact evaluation and certificate for limitation on appraised value submitted by the Texas Comptroller's Office pursuant to Section 313.025 of the TEXAS TAX CODE;

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2018, the Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing on the Application at which it solicited input into its deliberations on the Application from all interested parties within the District;

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2018, the Board of Trustees made factual findings pursuant to Section 313.025(f) of the Texas Tax Code, including, but not limited to findings that: (i) the information in the Application is true and correct; (ii) the Applicant is eligible for the limitation on appraised value of the Applicant's Qualified Property; (iii) the project proposed by the Applicant is reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the District's maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the Agreement before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period; (iv) the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the Applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this State; and (v) this Agreement is in the best interest of the District and the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2018, the Texas Comptroller's Office approved the form of this Agreement for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes;

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2018, the Board of Trustees approved the form of this Agreement for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes, and authorized the Board President and Secretary to execute and deliver such Agreement to the Applicant; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1. DEFINITIONS.

Wherever used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context in which used clearly indicates another meaning. Words or terms defined in 34 Texas Admin. Code Section 9.1051 and not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings provided by 34 Texas Admin. Code Section 9.1051.

"<u>Act</u>" means the Texas Economic Development Act set forth in Chapter 313 of the TEXAS TAX CODE as amended.

"<u>Agreement</u>" means this Agreement, as the same may be modified, amended, restated, amended and restated, or supplemented as approved pursuant to Sections 10.2 and 10.3.

"Applicant" means White Mesa Wind, LLC (Texas Taxpayer ID #32065462809), the entity

listed in the Preamble of this Agreement and that is listed as the Applicant on the Application as of the Application Approval Date. The term "Applicant" shall also include the Applicant's assigns and successors-in-interest as approved according to Sections 10.2 and 10.3 of this Agreement.

- "<u>Applicant's Qualified Investment</u>" means the Qualified Investment of the Applicant during the Qualifying Time Period and as more fully described in **EXHIBIT 3** of this Agreement.
- "<u>Applicant's Qualified Property</u>" means the Qualified Property of the Applicant to which the value limitation identified in the Agreement will apply and as more fully described in **EXHIBIT 4** of this Agreement.
- "<u>Application</u>" means the Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property (Chapter 313, Subchapter B or C of the TEXAS TAX CODE) filed with the District by the Applicant on July 18, 2018. The term includes all forms required by the Comptroller, the schedules attached thereto, and all other documentation submitted by the Applicant for the purpose of obtaining an Agreement with the District. The term also includes all amendments and supplements thereto submitted by the Applicant.
- "<u>Application Approval Date</u>" means the date that the Application is approved by the Board of Trustees of the District and as further identified in Section 2.3.B of this Agreement.
- "<u>Application Review Start Date</u>" means the later date of either the date on which the District issues its written notice that the Applicant has submitted a completed Application or the date on which the Comptroller issues its written notice that the Applicant has submitted a completed Application and as further identified in Section 2.3.A of this Agreement.
- "<u>Appraised Value</u>" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.04(8) of the TEXAS TAX CODE
 - "Appraisal District" means the Crockett County Appraisal District.
- "Board of Trustees" means the Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District.
- "<u>Commercial Operations</u>" shall mean the date on which the Project described in the Application for Value Limitation Agreement becomes commercially operational and capable of being placed into service, such that it has been constructed and is capable of producing electricity and achieving a Qualifying Investment of no less than \$20 million dollars.
- "Comptroller" means the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, or the designated representative of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts acting on behalf of the Comptroller.
- "Comptroller's Rules" means the applicable rules and regulations of the Comptroller set forth in Chapter 34 TEXAS ADMIN. CODE Chapter 9, Subchapter F, together with any court or administrative decisions interpreting same.
 - "County" means Crockett County, Texas.

"<u>District</u>" or "<u>School District</u>" means the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District being a duly authorized and operating school district in the State, having the power to levy, assess, and collect ad valorem taxes within its boundaries and to which Subchapter C of the Act applies. The term also includes any successor independent school district or other successor governmental authority having the power to levy and collect ad valorem taxes for school purposes on the Applicant's Qualified Property or the Applicant's Qualified Investment.

"Final Termination Date" means the last date of the final year in which the Applicant is required to Maintain Viable Presence and as further identified in Section 2.3.E of this Agreement.

"Force Majeure" means those causes generally recognized under Texas law as constituting impossible conditions. Each Party must inform the other in writing with proof of receipt within 60 (sixty) business days of the existence of such Force Majeure or otherwise waive this right as a defense.

"Land" means the real property described on **EXHIBIT 2**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

"Maintain Viable Presence" means (i) the operation during the term of this Agreement of the facility or facilities for which the tax limitation is granted; and (ii) the Applicant's maintenance of jobs and wages as required by the Act and as set forth in its Application.

"Market Value" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.04(7) of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

"New Qualifying Jobs" means the total number of jobs to be created by the Applicant after the Application Approval Date in connection with the project that is the subject of its Application that meet the criteria of Qualifying Job as defined in Section 313.021(3) of the TEXAS TAX CODE and the Comptroller's Rules.

"New Non-Qualifying Jobs" means the number of Non-Qualifying Jobs, as defined in 34 TEXAS ADMIN. CODE Section 9.1051(14), to be created by the Applicant after the Application Approval Date in connection with the project which is the subject of its Application.

"<u>Qualified Investment</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 313.021(1) of the TEXAS TAX CODE, as interpreted by the Comptroller's Rules.

"Qualified Property" has the meaning set forth in Section 313.021(2) of the TEXAS TAX CODE and as interpreted by the Comptroller's Rules and the Texas Attorney General, as these provisions existed on the Application Review Start Date.

"Qualifying Time Period" means the period defined in Section 2.3.C, during which the Applicant shall make investment on the Land where the Qualified Property is located in the amount required by the Act, the Comptroller's Rules, and this Agreement.

"State" means the State of Texas.

"Supplemental Payment" means any payments or transfers of things of value made to the District or to any person or persons in any form if such payment or transfer of thing of value being provided is in recognition of, anticipation of, or consideration for the Agreement and that is not authorized pursuant to Sections 313.027(f)(1) or (2) of the TEXAS TAX CODE, and specifically includes any payments required pursuant to Article VI of this Agreement.

"<u>Tax Limitation Amount</u>" means the maximum amount which may be placed as the Appraised Value on the Applicant's Qualified Property for maintenance and operations tax assessment in each Tax Year of the Tax Limitation Period of this Agreement pursuant to Section 313.054 of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

"<u>Tax Limitation Period</u>" means the Tax Years for which the Applicant's Qualified Property is subject to the Tax Limitation Amount and as further identified in Section 2.3.D of this Agreement.

"<u>Tax Year</u>" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.04(13) of the TEXAS TAX CODE (i.e., the calendar year).

"<u>Taxable Value</u>" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.04(10) of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

Section 1.2. NEGOTIATED DEFINITIONS.

Wherever used in Articles IV, V, and VI, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context in which used clearly indicates another meaning or otherwise; provided however, if there is a conflict between a term defined in this section and a term defined in the Act, the Comptroller's Rules, or Section 1.1 of Agreement, the conflict shall be resolved by reference to Section 10.9.C:

"<u>Aggregate Limit</u>" means, for any Tax Year during the term of this Agreement, an amount equal to the Net Tax Benefit to the Applicant.

"Applicable School Finance Lan" means the State constitution and laws, agency regulations and/or judicial rulings then controlling the public school finance system for Texas public schools and school districts generally and the District specifically, in accordance with all provisions thereof applicable to any terms of this Agreement at the time any computation, calculation or obligation of either Party under this Agreement is required to be performed or for the period to which such computation, calculation or obligation relates, as applicable. The term includes any amendments or successor statutes that may be adopted in the future which affect the calculation of the District's Maintenance and Operations Revenue or the Applicant's ad valorem tax obligation to the District, in each case, either with or without the limitation on appraised value of property pursuant to this Agreement.

"Cumulative Payments" means for each year of this Agreement the total of all payments, calculated under Articles IV, V and VI of this Agreement for the current Tax Year which are paid by or owed by Applicant to the District, plus payments paid by Applicant to compensate District for loss of revenue under this Agreement.

"Lost M&O Revenue" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.

"Maintenance and Operations Revenue" means (i) those revenues which the District receives from the levy of its annual ad valorem maintenance and operations tax pursuant to Section 45.002 of the TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, and Article VII § 3 of the TEXAS CONSTITUTION, plus (ii) all State revenues to which the District is or may be entitled under Chapter 42 of the TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, or any other statutory provision as well as any amendment or successor statute to these provisions, plus (iii) any indemnity payments received by the District under other agreements similar to this Agreement to the extent that such payments are designed to replace the District's Maintenance and Operations Revenue lost as a result of such similar agreements, minus (iv) any amounts necessary to reimburse the State of Texas or another school district for the education of additional students pursuant to Chapter 41 of the TEXAS EDUCATION CODE,, in each case, as any of the items in clauses (i), (ii), and (iv) above may be amended by Applicable School Finance Law from time to time, and plus or minus, as applicable, any other revenues, payments or amounts received or required to be reimbursed by the District from State and local funding for maintenance and operations purposes under Applicable School Finance Law, such that Maintenance and Operations Revenue shall be the net amount of all such revenues, payments or other amounts which the District is entitled to receive and retain from State and local funding for maintenance and operations purposes under Applicable School Finance Law.

"New Me's O Revenue" means, with respect to any school year, the total State and local Maintenance and Operations Revenue that the District received, after all adjustments have been made to such Maintenance and Operations Revenue in accordance with the provisions of the Applicable School Finance Law for such school year.

"Net Tax Benefit" means, for any Tax Year during the term of this Agreement, an amount equal to (but not less than zero): (i) the amount of maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes which the Applicant would have paid to the District for such Tax Year and all previous Tax Years during the term of this Agreement if this Agreement had not been entered into by the Parties; minus, (ii) an amount equal to the sum of (A) all maintenance and operations ad valorem school taxes actually due from Applicant to the District or any other governmental entity, including the State of Texas, for such Tax Year and all previous Tax Years during the term of this Agreement, plus (B) any and all payments due to the District under Articles IV, V, and VI of this Agreement.

"Original M&O Revenue" means, with respect to any school year, the total State and local Maintenance and Operations Revenue that the District would have received for the school year under the Applicable School Finance Law had this Agreement not been entered into by the Parties and the Applicant's Qualified Property been subject to the ad valorem maintenance and operations tax at the tax rate actually adopted by the District for the applicable Tax Year. For purposes of this calculation, the Third Party will base its calculations upon actual local Taxable Values for each applicable Tax Year as certified by the Appraisal District for all taxable accounts in the District, except that with respect to the Applicant's Qualified Property during the Tax Limitation Period, such calculations shall use the Taxable Value for each applicable Tax Year of the Applicant's Qualified Property which is used for the calculation of the District's tax levy for debt service (interest and sinking fund) ad valorem tax purposes. For the calculation of Original M&O Revenue, the Taxable Value for Applicant's Qualified Property for maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes will not be used during the Tax Limitation Period.

ARTICLE II AUTHORITY, PURPOSE AND LIMITATION AMOUNTS

Section 2.1. AUTHORITY.

This Agreement is executed by the District as its written agreement with the Applicant pursuant to the provisions and authority granted to the District in Section 313.027 of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

Section 2.2. PURPOSE.

In consideration of the execution and subsequent performance of the terms and obligations by the Applicant pursuant to this Agreement, identified in Sections 2.5 and 2.6 and as more fully specified in this Agreement, the value of the Applicant's Qualified Property listed and assessed by the County Appraiser for the District's maintenance and operation ad valorem property tax shall be the Tax Limitation Amount as set forth in Section 2.4 of this Agreement during the Tax Limitation Period.

Section 2.3. TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

- A. The Application Review Start Date for this Agreement is September 14, 2018, which will be used to determine the eligibility of the Applicant's Qualified Property and all applicable wage standards.
- B. The Application Approval Date for this Agreement is December 19, 2018.
- C. The Qualifying Time Period for this Agreement:
 - i. Starts on the Application Approval Date; and
 - ii. Ends on December 31, 2020, the last day of the second complete Tax Year following the Qualifying Time Period start date.
- D. The Tax Limitation Period for this Agreement:
 - i. Starts on January 1, 2020, the first complete Tax Year that begins after the date of commencement of Commercial Operation; and
 - ii. Ends on December 31, 2029, which is the year the Tax Limitation Period starts as identified in Section 2.3.D.i plus 9 years.
- E. The Final Termination Date for this Agreement is December 31, 2034; which is the last year of the Tax Limitation Period as defined in Section 2.3.D.ii plus 5 years.
- F. This Agreement, and the obligations and responsibilities created by this Agreement, shall be and become effective on the Application Approval Date identified in Section 2.3.B. This Agreement, and the obligations and responsibilities created by this Agreement, terminate on

the Final Termination Date identified in Section 2.3.E, unless extended by the express terms of this Agreement.

Section 2.4. TAX LIMITATION.

So long as the Applicant makes the Qualified Investment as required by Section 2.5, during the Qualifying Time Period, and unless this Agreement has been terminated as provided herein before such Tax Year, on January 1 of each Tax Year of the Tax Limitation Period, the Appraised Value of the Applicant's Qualified Property for the District's maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes shall not exceed the lesser of:

- A. The Market Value of the Applicant's Qualified Property; or,
- B. Twenty-Five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00)

This Tax Limitation Amount is based on the limitation amount for the category that applies to the District on the Application Approval Date, as set out by Section 313.052 of the TEXAS TAX CODE

Section 2.5. TAX LIMITATION ELIGIBILITY.

In order to be eligible and entitled to receive the value limitation identified in Section 2.4 for the Qualified Property identified in Article III, the Applicant shall:

- A. have completed the Applicant's Qualified Investment in the amount of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) during the Qualifying Time Period;
- B. have created and maintained, subject to the provisions of Section 313.0276 of the TEXAS TAX CODE New Qualifying Jobs as required by the Act; and
- C. pay an average weekly wage of at least \$773.00 for all New Non-Qualifying Jobs created by the Applicant.

Section 2.6. TAX LIMITATION OBLIGATIONS.

In order to receive and maintain the limitation authorized by Section 2.4, Applicant shall:

- A. provide payments to District sufficient to protect future District revenues through payment of revenue offsets and other mechanisms as more fully described in Article IV;
- B. provide payments to the District that protect the District from the payment of extraordinary education- related expenses related to the project, as more fully specified in Article V;
- C. provide such Supplemental Payments as more fully specified in Article VI;
- D. create and Maintain Viable Presence on or with the Qualified Property and perform additional obligations as more fully specified in Article VIII of this Agreement; and

E. No additional conditions are identified in the certificate for a limitation on appraised value by the Comptroller for this project.

ARTICLE III OUALIFIED PROPERTY

Section 3.1. LOCATION WITHIN ENTERPRISE OR REINVESTMENT ZONE.

At the time of the Application Approval Date, the Land is within an area designated either as an enterprise zone, pursuant to Chapter 2303 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, or a reinvestment zone, pursuant to Chapter 311 or 312 of the TEXAS TAX CODE. The legal description, and information concerning the designation, of such zone is attached to this Agreement as **EXHIBIT 1** and is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

Section 3.2. LOCATION OF QUALIFIED PROPERTY AND INVESTMENT.

The Land on which the Qualified Property shall be located and on which the Qualified Investment shall be made is described in **EXHIBIT 2**, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. The Parties expressly agree that the boundaries of the Land may not be materially changed from its configuration described in **EXHIBIT 2** unless amended pursuant to the provisions of Section 10.2 of this Agreement.

Section 3.3. DESCRIPTION OF QUALIFIED PROPERTY.

The Qualified Property that is subject to the Tax Limitation Amount is described in **EXHIBIT** 4, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. Property which is not specifically described in **EXHIBIT** 4 shall not be considered by the District or the Appraisal District to be part of the Applicant's Qualified Property for purposes of this Agreement, unless by official action the Board of Trustees provides that such other property is a part of the Applicant's Qualified Property for purposes of this Agreement in compliance with Section 313.027(e) of the TEXAS TAX CODE, the Comptroller's Rules, and Section 10.2 of this Agreement.

Section 3.4. CURRENT INVENTORY OF QUALIFIED PROPERTY.

In addition to the requirements of Section 10.2 of this Agreement, if there is a material change in the Qualified Property described in **EXHIBIT 4**, then within 60 days from the date commercial operation begins, the Applicant shall provide to the District, the Comptroller, the Appraisal District or the State Auditor's Office a specific and detailed description of the tangible personal property, buildings, and/or permanent, nonremovable building components (including any affixed to or incorporated into real property) on the Land to which the value limitation applies including maps or surveys of sufficient detail and description to locate all such described property on the Land.

Section 3.5. QUALIFYING USE.

The Applicant's Qualified Property described in Section 3.3 qualifies for a tax limitation

agreement under Section 313.024(b)(5) of the TEXAS TAX CODE as a renewable energy electric generation facility.

ARTICLE IV PROTECTION AGAINST LOSS OF FUTURE DISTRICT REVENUES

Section 4.1. INTENT OF PARTIES.

Subject to the limitations contained in this Agreement, it is the intent of the Parties in accordance with the provisions of Section 313.027(f)(1) of the TEXAS TAX CODE that the District shall be compensated by the Applicant as provided in this Article IV for any Lost M&O Revenue as a result of, or on account of, entering into this Agreement, after taking into account any payments to be made under this Agreement. Such payments shall be independent of, and in addition to such other payments as set forth in Article V and Article VI of this Agreement. Subject to the limitations contained in this Agreement, it is the intent of the Parties that the risk of any and all Lost M&O Revenue as a result of, or on account of, entering into this Agreement, will be borne by the Applicant and not by the District.

Subject to the limitations contained in this Agreement, the calculation of any Lost M&O Revenue required to be paid by the Applicant under this Article IV shall be made for the first time for in the first year of the Tax Limitation Period, and every year thereafter during the term of this Agreement.

The Parties further agree that the printouts and projections produced during the negotiations and approval of this Agreement are:

- i. For illustrative purposes only, are not intended to be relied upon, and have not been relied upon by the Parties as a prediction of future consequences to either Party to the Agreement;
- ii. Are based upon current Applicable School Finance Law, which is subject to change by statute, by administrative regulation, or by judicial decision at any time; and,
- iii. May change in future years to reflect changes in the Applicable School Finance Law.

Section 4.2 CALCULATING LOST M&O REVENUE.

Subject to the limitations contained in this Agreement, the amount to be paid by the Applicant to compensate the District for loss of Maintenance and Operations Revenue resulting from, or on account of, this Agreement for each year starting in the first year of the Tax Limitation Period and ending on December 31st of the last year of the Tax Limitation Period (the "Lost M&O Revenue") shall be determined in compliance with the Applicable School Finance Law in effect for such year and according to the following formula:

Subject to the limitations contained in this Agreement (including Section 7.1), the Lost M&O Revenue owed by the Applicant to District means the Original M&O Revenue *minus* the New M&O Revenue.

In making the calculations required by this Section 4.2:

- i. The Taxable Value of property for each school year will be determined under the Applicable School Finance Law.
- ii. For purposes of this calculation, the tax collection rate on the Applicant's Qualified Property will be presumed to be one hundred percent (100%).
- iii. If, for any year of this Agreement, the difference between the Original M&O Revenue and the New M&O Revenue, as calculated under this Section 4.2 of this Agreement, results in a negative number, the negative number will be considered to be zero.
- iv. For all calculations made for years during the Tax Limitation Period under this Section 4.2 of this Agreement, Subsection ii of this subsection will, for Applicant's Qualified Property, reflect the Tax Limitation Amount for such year.
- v. All calculations made under this Section 4.2 shall be made by a methodology which isolates only the full Maintenance and Operation Revenue impact caused by this Agreement. The Applicant shall not be responsible to reimburse the District for other revenue losses created by other agreements, or on account of or otherwise arising out of any other factors not contained in this Agreement.

Section 4.3. CALCULATIONS TO BE MADE BY THIRD PARTY.

All calculations under this Agreement shall be made annually by an independent third party (the "Third Party") selected and appointed each year by the District, subject to approval by Applicant in writing, which approval shall not unreasonably be withheld.

Section 4.4. DATA USED FOR CALCULATIONS.

The calculations for payments under this Agreement shall be initially based upon the valuations that are placed upon all taxable property in the District, including the Applicant's Qualified Property, by the Appraisal District in its annual certified tax roll submitted to the District for each Tax Year pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 26.01 on or about July 25 of each year of this Agreement. Immediately upon receipt of the valuation information by the District, the District shall submit the valuation information to the Third Party selected and appointed under Section 4.3. The certified tax roll data shall form the basis of the calculation of any and all amounts due under this Agreement. All other data utilized by the Third Party to make the calculations contemplated by this Agreement shall be based upon the best available current estimates. The data utilized by the Third Party shall be adjusted from time to time by the Third Party to reflect actual amounts, subsequent adjustments by the Appraisal District to the District's certified tax roll or any other changes in student counts, tax collections, or other data.

Section 4.5. EFFECT OF PROPERTY VALUE APPEAL OR OTHER ADJUSTMENT.

If the Applicant has appealed any matter relating to the valuations placed by the Appraisal

District on the Applicant's Qualified Property, and such appeal remains unresolved at the time the Third Party selected under Section 4.3 makes its calculations under this Agreement, the Third Party shall base its calculations upon the values placed upon the Applicant's Qualified Property by the Appraisal District. The calculations shall be readjusted, if necessary, based on the outcome of the appeal as set forth below.

If as a result of an appeal or for any other reason, the Taxable Value of the Applicant's Qualified Investment is changed, once the determination of the new Taxable Value becomes final, the Parties shall immediately notify the Third Party who shall immediately issue new calculations for the applicable year or years using the new Taxable Value. In the event the new calculations result in a change in any amount paid or payable by the Applicant under this Agreement, the Party from whom the adjustment is payable shall remit such amount to the other Party within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the new calculations from the Third Party.

Section 4.6. DELIVERY OF CALCULATIONS.

On or before November 1 of each year for which this Agreement is effective, the Third Party appointed pursuant to Section 4.3 of this Agreement shall forward to the Parties a certification containing the calculations required under this Article IV, Article VI, Article VI, and/or Section 7.1 of this Agreement in sufficient detail to allow the Parties to understand the manner in which the calculations were made. The Third Party shall simultaneously submit his, her or its invoice for fees for services rendered to the Parties, if any fees are being claimed, which fee shall be the sole responsibility of the District, but subject to the provisions of Section 4.8, below. Upon reasonable prior notice, the employees and agents of the Applicant shall have access, at all reasonable times, to the Third Party's calculations, records, and correspondence pertaining to the calculation and fee for the purpose of The Third Party shall maintain supporting data consistent with generally accepted accounting practices, and the employees and agents of the Applicant shall have the right to reproduce and retain for purpose of audit, any of these documents. The Third Party shall preserve all documents pertaining to the calculation until four (4) years after the Final Termination Date of this Agreement. The Applicant shall not be liable for any of the Third Party's costs resulting from an audit of the Third Party's books, records, correspondence, or work papers pertaining to the calculations contemplated by this Agreement.

Section 4.7. STATUTORY CHANGES AFFECTING MAINTENANCE & OPERATION REVENUE.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, but subject to the limitations contained in Section 7.1 of this Agreement, in the event that, by virtue of statutory changes to the Applicable School Finance Law, administrative interpretations by the Comptroller, Commissioner of Education, or the Texas Education Agency, or for any other reason attributable to statutory change, the District will receive less Maintenance and Operations Revenue, or, if applicable, will be required to increase its payment of funds to the State, because of its participation in this Agreement, the Applicant shall make payments to the District that are necessary to fully reimburse and hold the District harmless from any actual negative impact on the District's Maintenance and Operation Revenue as a result of its participation in this Agreement. Such calculation shall take into account any adjustments to the amount calculated for the current fiscal year that should be made in order to reflect the actual impact on the District. Such payment shall be made no later than thirty (30) days following notice from the District of such determination and calculation. The District shall use reasonable efforts to mitigate the economic

effects of any such statutory change or administrative interpretation, and if the Applicant disagrees with any calculation or determination by the District of any adverse impact described in this Article IV, the Applicant shall have the right to appeal such calculation or determination in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 4.9.

Section 4.8. PAYMENT BY APPLICANT.

Subject to Section 4.9 below, the Applicant shall pay any amount determined by the Third Party to be due and owing to the District under this Agreement on or before the January 31 of the year next following the tax levy for each year for which this Agreement is effective. Subject to the limitation set forth in this Section 4.8 below, by such date, the Applicant shall also pay any amount billed by the Third Party for all calculations under this Agreement under Section 4.2, above, plus any reasonable and necessary legal expenses paid by the District to its attorneys, auditors, or financial consultants for the preparation and filing of any financial reports, disclosures, or other reimbursement applications filed with or sent to the State of Texas, for any audits conducted by the State Auditor's Office, or for other legal expenses which are, or may be required under the terms of, or because of, the execution of this Agreement. The Applicant shall only be responsible for the payment of an aggregate amount of fees and expenses under this Section 4.8 not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00).

Section 4.9. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES.

Should the Applicant disagree with the Third Party calculations made pursuant to this Article IV of this Agreement, the Applicant may appeal the findings, in writing, to the Third Party within thirty (30) days following the later of (i) receipt of the certification, or (ii) the date the Applicant is granted access to the books, records, and other information in accordance with Section 4.4 for purposes of auditing or reviewing the information in connection with the certification. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Applicant's appeal, the Third Party will issue, in writing, a final determination of the calculations. Thereafter, the Applicant may appeal the final determination of the certification containing the calculations to the District's Board of Trustees within thirty (30) days after receipt of the final determination of the calculations shall in no way limit Applicant's other rights and remedies available hereunder, at law or in equity.

Section 4.10. PAYMENT LIMITATION.

Payments owed under this Article IV of this Agreement, beginning with date on which the Tax Limitation Period commences under this Agreement as provided in Section 2.3.D.i, and ending with the end of the Tax Limitation Period, shall not exceed One Hundred Percent (100%) of the Applicant's Net Tax Benefit for such Tax Year. For each Tax Year of this Agreement, all amounts otherwise due and owing by the Applicant to the District which, by virtue of the application of the payment limitation provided in this Section 4.10, are not payable to the District for such Tax Year, shall be carried forward into subsequent Tax Years, and shall be paid by Applicant in such subsequent Tax Year to the extent Applicant's Net Tax Benefit exceeds the payments otherwise owed in that Tax Year. Any amounts which would otherwise be due and owing under this Section 4.10 at end of the first Tax Year following the end of the Tax Limitation Period will no longer be due and owing.

ARTICLE V PAYMENT OF EXTRAORDINARY EDUCATION-RELATED EXPENSES

Section 5.1. PAYMENT OF EXTRAORDINARY EDUCATION-RELATED EXPENSES.

In addition to the amounts determined pursuant to Articles IV and VI of this Agreement, Applicant on an annual basis shall also indemnify and reimburse District for all non-reimbursed costs, certified by the District's external auditor to have been incurred by the District for extraordinary education-related expenses directly and solely related to the project that are not directly funded in state aid formulas, including expenses for the purchase of portable classrooms and the hiring of additional personnel to accommodate a temporary increase in student enrollment caused directly by such project. Applicant shall have the right to contest the findings of the District's external auditor pursuant to Section 4.9 above.

ARTICLE VI SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS

Section 6.1. INTENT OF PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS

In interpreting the provisions of this Article VI, the Parties agree that, in addition to undertaking the responsibility for the payment of all of the amounts set forth under Articles IV and V, and as further consideration for the execution of this Agreement by the District, the Applicant shall also be responsible for the Supplemental Payments set forth in this Article VI. The Applicant shall not be responsible to the District or to any other person or persons in any form for the payment or transfer of money or any other thing of value in recognition of, anticipation of, or consideration for this Agreement for limitation on appraised value made pursuant to Chapter 313 of the TEXAS TAX CODE, unless it is explicitly set forth in this Agreement. It is the express intent of the Parties that the obligation for Supplemental Payments under this Article VI are separate and independent of the obligation of the Applicant to pay the amounts described in Articles IV and V; provided, however, that all payments under Articles IV, V, and VI are subject to such limitations as are contained in Section 4.10 and Section 7.1, and that all payments under Article VI are subject to the separate limitations contained in Section 6.2 and Section 6.3. Each Supplemental Payment shall be due and payable on January 31st of the year following that in which such Supplemental Payment accrued.

Section 6.2. SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT LIMITATION. Notwithstanding the foregoing:

- A. The total of the Supplemental Payments made pursuant to this Article shall not exceed for any calendar year of this Agreement an amount equal to the greater of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per student per year in average daily attendance, as defined by Section 42.005 of the Texas Education Code, or Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) per year times the number of years beginning with the first complete or partial year of the Qualifying Time Period identified in Section 2.3.C and ending with the year for which the Supplemental Payment is being calculated minus all Supplemental Payments previously made by the Application.
- B. Supplemental Payments may only be made during the period starting the first year of the

Qualifying Time Period and ending December 31 of the third year following the end of the Tax Limitation Period.

- C. The limitation in Section 6.2.A does not apply to amounts described by Section 313.027(f)(1)–(2) of the TEXAS TAX CODE as implemented in Articles IV and V of this Agreement.
- D. For purposes of this Agreement, the calculation of the limit of the annual Supplemental Payment shall be the greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance as calculated pursuant to Section 42.005 of the TEXAS EDUCATION CODE, based upon the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year, or any greater amount that may be then permitted by law.

Failure to pay such Supplemental Payments shall constitute Material Breach of this Agreement, as set forth more fully herein at Article IX.

Section 6.3. CALCULATION OF ANNUAL SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO THE DISTRICT.

For each Tax Year beginning with the period starting the first partial year of the Qualifying Time Period and ending December 31 of the third year following the end of the Tax Limitation Period, supplemental payments shall be owed. For each Tax Year not falling within the Limitation Period, the full supplemental amount shall be paid and shall not be subject to the Aggregate Limit.

If, for any Tax Year during the Limitation Period of this Agreement the Cumulative Payment Amount, calculated under Sections IV, V and VI of this Agreement, exceeds the Aggregate Limit for such Tax Year, the difference between the Applicant's Supplemental Payment Amount so calculated and the Aggregate Limit for such Tax Year, shall be carried forward from year-to-year until paid to the District. The Aggregate Limit shall not apply nor limit Supplemental Payment amounts due to the District during the Qualifying Time Period or in the three years following the end of the Tax Limitation Period.

For illustrative purposes, the Supplemental Payments shall be paid as follows:

Tax Year	Supplemental Payment Amount Owed
2018	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2019	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2020	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2021	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2022	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.

2023	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2024	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2025	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2026	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2027	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2028	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2029	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2030	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2031	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.
2032	The greater of \$50,000 or \$100 multiplied by the District's Average Daily Attendance for the previous school year.

Section 6.4. PROCEDURES FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT CALCULATIONS. All calculations required by this Article VI, including but not limited to: (i) the calculation of the Applicant's Supplemental Payments; (ii) the determination of both the Annual Limit and the Aggregate Limit; (iii) the effect, if any, of the Aggregate Limit upon the actual amount of Supplemental Payments eligible to be paid to the District by the Applicant; and (iv) the carry forward and accumulation of any of the Applicant's Supplemental Payments unpaid by the Applicant due to the Aggregate Limit in previous years, shall be calculated by the Third Party selected pursuant to Section 4.3.

- (a) The calculations made by the Third Party shall be made at the same time and on the same schedule as the calculations made pursuant to Section 4.6.
- (b) The payment of all amounts due under this Article VI shall be made at the time set forth in Section 4.8.
- (c) Any appeal by the Applicant of the calculations made by the Third Party under this Article VI shall be done in the same manner as set forth in Section 4.9, above.

Section 6.5. DISTRICT'S OPTION TO DESIGNATE SUCCESSOR BENEFICIARY. At any time during this Agreement, the Board of Trustees may, in its sole discretion, direct that any of the Applicant's payments under this Article VI be made to the District's educational foundation or to a similar entity.

Such foundation or entity may only use such funds received under this Article VI to support the educational mission of the District and its students. Any designation of such foundation or entity must be made by recorded vote of the Board of Trustees at a properly posted public meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Section 6.6. SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT CHANGES. In the event Chapter 313 is modified or amended to allow the District to receive Supplemental Payments in excess of the foregoing limitation in Section 6.2A, Applicant agrees to cooperate with the District to amend this Agreement to allow District to receive the maximum amount of Supplemental Payments as allowed by law; provided however, the total Supplemental Payments for any given year of this Agreement shall not exceed the greater of forty percent (40%) of Applicant's Net Tax Benefit under this Agreement in such year (calculated without taking Supplemental Payments into account) or the amount calculated under Section 6.2.A above, as determined for that school year. This Section 6.6 shall only apply if Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code is amended so that the District is permitted to receive Supplemental Payments greater than as described in Section 6.2A above; otherwise, Section 6.2D shall apply.

ARTICLE VII ANNUAL LIMITATION OF PAYMENTS BY APPLICANT

Section 7.1. ANNUAL LIMITATION.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, and with respect to each Tax Year of the Tax Limitation Period beginning after the first Tax Year of the Tax Limitation Period, in no event shall (i) the sum of the maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes paid by the Applicant to the District for such Tax Year, plus the sum of all payments otherwise due from the Applicant to the District under Articles IV, V, and VI of this Agreement with respect to such Tax Year, exceed (ii) the amount of the maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes that the Applicant would have paid to the District for such Tax Year (determined by using the District's actual maintenance and operations tax rate for such Tax Year) if the Parties had not entered into this Agreement. The calculation and comparison of the amounts described in clauses (i) and (ii) of the preceding sentence shall be included in all calculations made pursuant to Article IV of this Agreement, and in the event the sum of the amounts described in said clause (i) exceeds the amount described in said clause (ii), then the payments otherwise due from the Applicant to the District under Articles IV, V, and VI shall be reduced until such excess is eliminated.

Section 7.2. OPTION TO TERMINATE AGREEMENT.

In the event that any payment otherwise due from the Applicant to the District under Article IV, Article V, or Article VI of this Agreement with respect to a Tax Year is subject to reduction in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.1, then the Applicant shall have the option to terminate this Agreement. The Applicant may exercise such option to terminate this Agreement by notifying the District of its election in writing not later than the July 31 of the year following the Tax Year with respect to which a reduction under Section 7.1 is applicable. Any termination of this Agreement under the foregoing provisions of this Section 7.2 shall be effective immediately prior to the second Tax Year next following the Tax Year in which the reduction giving rise to the option occurred.

Section 7.3. EFFECT OF OPTIONAL TERMINATION.

Upon the exercise of the option to terminate pursuant to Section 7.2, this Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect; provided, however, that:

- A. the Parties respective rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to the Tax Year or Tax Years (as the case may be) through and including the Tax Year during which such notification is delivered to the District, shall not be impaired or modified as a result of such termination and shall survive such termination unless and until satisfied and discharged; and
- B. the provisions of this Agreement regarding payments (including liquidated damages and tax payments), records and dispute resolution shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS OF APPLICANT

Section 8.1. APPLICANT'S OBLIGATION TO MAINTAIN VIABLE PRESENCE.

In order to receive and maintain the limitation authorized by Section 2.4 in addition to the other obligations required by this Agreement, the Applicant shall Maintain Viable Presence in the District commencing at the start of the Tax Limitation Period through the Final Termination Date of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Applicant shall not be in breach of, and shall not be subject to any liability for failure to Maintain Viable Presence to the extent such failure is caused by Force Majeure, provided the Applicant makes commercially reasonable efforts to remedy the cause of such Force Majeure.

Section 8.2. REPORTS.

In order to receive and maintain the limitation authorized by Section 2.4 in addition to the other obligations required by this Agreement, the Applicant shall submit all reports required from time to time by the Comptroller, listed in 34 TEXAS ADMIN. CODE Section 9.1052 and as currently located on the Comptroller's website, including all data elements required by such form to the satisfaction of the Comptroller on the dates indicated on the form or the Comptroller's website and starting on the first such due date after the Application Approval Date.

Section 8.3. COMPTROLLER'S REPORT ON CHAPTER 313 AGREEMENTS.

During the term of this Agreement, both Parties shall provide the Comptroller with all information reasonably necessary for the Comptroller to assess performance under this Agreement for the purpose of issuing the Comptroller's report, as required by Section 313.032 of the TEXAS TAX CODE

Section 8.4. DATA REQUESTS.

Upon the written request of the District, the State Auditor's Office, the Appraisal District, or

the Comptroller during the term of this Agreement, the Applicant, the District or any other entity on behalf of the District shall provide the requesting party with all information reasonably necessary for the requesting party to determine whether the Applicant is in compliance with its rights, obligations or responsibilities, including, but not limited to, any employment obligations which may arise under this Agreement.

Section 8.5. SITE VISITS AND RECORD REVIEW.

The Applicant shall allow authorized employees of the District, the Comptroller, the Appraisal District, and the State Auditor's Office to have reasonable access to the Applicant's Qualified Property and business records from the Application Review Start Date through the Final Termination Date, in order to inspect the project to determine compliance with the terms hereof or as necessary to properly appraise the Taxable Value of the Applicant's Qualified Property.

- A. All inspections will be made at a mutually agreeable time after the giving of not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior written notice, and will be conducted in such a manner so as not to unreasonably interfere with either the construction or operation of the Applicant's Qualified Property.
- B. All inspections may be accompanied by one or more representatives of the Applicant, and shall be conducted in accordance with the Applicant's safety, security, and operational standards. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained in this Agreement shall require the Applicant to provide the District, the Comptroller, or the Appraisal District with any technical or business information that is proprietary, a trade secret, or is subject to a confidentiality agreement with any third party.

Section 8.6. RIGHT TO AUDIT; SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS; AUTHORITY OF STATE AUDITOR.

By executing this Agreement, implementing the authority of, and accepting the benefits provided by Chapter 313 of the TEXAS TAX CODE, the Parties agree that this Agreement and their performance pursuant to its terms are subject to review and audit by the State Auditor as if they are parties to a State contract and subject to the provisions of Section 2262.154 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE and Section 313.010(a) of the TEXAS TAX CODE. The Parties further agree to comply with the following requirements:

- A. The District and the Applicant shall maintain and retain supporting documents adequate to ensure that claims for the Tax Limitation Amount are in accordance with applicable Comptroller and State of Texas requirements. The Applicant and the District shall maintain all such documents and other records relating to this Agreement and the State's property for a period of four (4) years after the latest occurring date of:
 - i. date of submission of the final payment;
 - ii. Final Termination Date; or
 - iii. date of resolution of all disputes or payment.
- B. During the time period defined under Section 8.6.A, the District and the Applicant shall make available at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, and for reasonable periods,

all information related to this Agreement; the Applicant's Application; and the Applicant's Qualified Property, Qualified Investment, New Qualifying Jobs, and wages paid for New Non- Qualifying Jobs such as work papers, reports, books, data, files, software, records, calculations, spreadsheets and other supporting documents pertaining to this Agreement, for purposes of inspecting, monitoring, auditing, or evaluating by the Comptroller, State Auditor's Office, State of Texas or their authorized representatives. The Applicant and the District shall cooperate with auditors and other authorized Comptroller and State of Texas representatives and shall provide them with prompt access to all of such property as requested by the Comptroller or the State of Texas. By example and not as an exclusion to other breaches or failures, the Applicant's or the District's failure to comply with this Section shall constitute a Material Breach of this Agreement.

- C. In addition to and without limitation on the other audit provisions of this Agreement, the acceptance of tax benefits or funds by the Applicant or the District or any other entity or person directly under this Agreement acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Under the direction of the legislative audit committee, the Applicant or the District or other entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation by the State Auditor must provide the State Auditor with access to any information the State Auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit. The Parties agree that this Agreement shall for its duration be subject to all rules and procedures of the State Auditor acting under the direction of the legislative audit committee.
- D. The Applicant shall include the requirements of this Section 8.6 in its subcontract with any entity whose employees or subcontractors are subject to wage requirements under the Act, the Comptroller's Rules, or this Agreement, or any entity whose employees or subcontractors are included in the Applicant's compliance with job creation or wage standard requirement of the Act, the Comptroller's Rules, or this Agreement.

Section 8.7. FALSE STATEMENTS; BREACH OF REPRESENTATIONS.

The Parties acknowledge that this Agreement has been negotiated, and is being executed, in reliance upon the information contained in the Application, and any supplements or amendments thereto, without which the Comptroller would not have approved this Agreement and the District would not have executed this Agreement. By signature to this Agreement, the Applicant:

- A. represents and warrants that all information, facts, and representations contained in the Application are true and correct to the best of its knowledge;
- B. agrees and acknowledges that the Application and all related attachments and schedules are included by reference in this Agreement as if fully set forth herein; and
- C. acknowledges that if the Applicant submitted its Application with a false statement, signs this Agreement with a false statement, or submits a report with a false statement, or it is subsequently determined that the Applicant has violated any of the representations, warranties, guarantees, certifications, or affirmations included in the Application or this

Agreement, the Applicant shall have materially breached this Agreement and the Agreement shall be invalid and void except for the enforcement of the provisions required by Section 9.2 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX MATERIAL BREACH OR EARLY TERMINATION

Section 9.1. EVENTS CONSTITUTING MATERIAL BREACH OF AGREEMENT.

The Applicant shall be in Material Breach of this Agreement if it commits one or more of the following acts or omissions (each a "Material Breach"):

- A. The Application, any Application Supplement, or any Application Amendment on which this Agreement is approved is determined to be inaccurate as to any material representation, information, or fact or is not complete as to any material fact or representation or such application;
- B. The Applicant failed to complete Qualified Investment as required by Section 2.5.A. of this Agreement during the Qualifying Time Period;
- C. The Applicant failed to create and maintain the number of New Qualifying Jobs required by the Act;
- D. The Applicant failed to create and maintain the number of New Qualifying Jobs specified in Schedule C of the Application;
- E. The Applicant failed to pay at least the average weekly wage of all jobs in the county in which the jobs are located for all New Non-Qualifying Jobs created by the Applicant;
- F. The Applicant failed to provide payments to the District sufficient to protect future District revenues through payment of revenue offsets and other mechanisms as more fully described in Article IV of this Agreement;
- G. The Applicant failed to provide the payments to the District that protect the District from the payment of extraordinary education-related expenses related to the project to the extent and in the amounts that the Applicant agreed to provide such payments in Article V of this Agreement;
- H. The Applicant failed to provide the Supplemental Payments to the extent and in the amounts that the Applicant agreed to provide such Supplemental Payments in Article VI of this Agreement;
- I. The Applicant failed to create and Maintain Viable Presence on or with the Qualified Property as more fully specified in Article VIII of this Agreement;
- J. The Applicant failed to submit the reports required to be submitted by Section 8.2 to the satisfaction of the Comptroller;
- K. The Applicant failed to provide the District or the Comptroller with all information reasonably necessary for the District or the Comptroller to determine whether the Applicant is in compliance with its obligations, including, but not limited to, any employment obligations which may arise under this Agreement;
- L. The Applicant failed to allow authorized employees of the District, the Comptroller, the Appraisal District, or the State Auditor's Office to have access to the Applicant's Qualified Property or business records in order to inspect the project to determine compliance with the terms hereof or as necessary to properly appraise the Taxable Value of the Applicant's

- Qualified Property under Sections 8.5 and 8.6;
- M. The Applicant failed to comply with a request by the State Auditor's office to review and audit the Applicant's compliance with this Agreement;
- N. The Applicant has made any payments to the District or to any other person or persons in any form for the payment or transfer of money or any other thing of value in recognition of, anticipation of, or consideration for this Agreement for limitation on Appraised Value made pursuant to Chapter 313 of the TEXAS TAX CODE, in excess of the amounts set forth in Articles IV, V and VI of this Agreement;
- O. The Applicant failed to comply with the conditions included in the certificate for limitation issued by the Comptroller.

Section 9.2. DETERMINATION OF BREACH AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT.

- A. Prior to making a determination that the Applicant has failed to comply in any material respect with the terms of this Agreement or to meet any material obligation under this Agreement, the District shall provide the Applicant with a written notice of the facts which it believes have caused the breach of this Agreement, and if cure is possible, the cure proposed by the District. After receipt of the notice, the Applicant shall be given ninety (90) days to present any facts or arguments to the Board of Trustees showing that it is not in breach of its obligations under this Agreement, or that it has cured or undertaken to cure any such breach.
- B. If the Board of Trustees is not satisfied with such response or that such breach has been cured, then the Board of Trustees shall, after reasonable notice to the Applicant, conduct a hearing called and held for the purpose of determining whether such breach has occurred and, if so, whether such breach has been cured. At any such hearing, the Applicant shall have the opportunity, together with their counsel, to be heard before the Board of Trustees. At the hearing, the Board of Trustees shall make findings as to:
 - i. whether or not a breach of this Agreement has occurred;
 - ii. whether or not such breach is a Material Breach;
 - iii. the date such breach occurred, if any;
 - iv. whether or not any such breach has been cured; and
- C. In the event that the Board of Trustees determines that such a breach has occurred and has not been cured, it shall at that time determine:
 - i. the amount of recapture taxes under Section 9.4.C (net of all credits under Section 9.4.C):
 - ii. the amount of any penalty or interest under Section 9.4.E that are owed to the District; and
 - iii. in the event of a finding of a Material Breach, whether to terminate this Agreement.
- D. After making its determination regarding any alleged breach, the Board of Trustees shall cause the Applicant to be notified in writing of its determination (a "Determination of Breach and Notice of Contract Termination") and provide a copy to the Comptroller.

Section 9.3. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

- A. After receipt of notice of the Board of Trustee's Determination of Breach and Notice of Contract Termination under Section 9.2, the Applicant shall have ninety (90) days in which either to tender payment or evidence of its efforts to cure, or to initiate mediation of the dispute by written notice to the District, in which case the District and the Applicant shall be required to make a good faith effort to resolve, without resort to litigation and within ninety (90) days after the Applicant initiates mediation, such dispute through mediation with a mutually agreeable mediator and at a mutually convenient time and place for the mediation. If the Parties are unable to agree on a mediator, a mediator shall be selected by the senior state district court judge then presiding in Crockett County. The Parties agree to sign a document that provides the mediator and the mediation will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 154 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remediator Scode and such other rules as the mediator shall prescribe. With respect to such mediation, (i) the District shall bear one-half of such mediator's fees and expenses and the Applicant shall bear one-half of such mediator's fees and expenses, and (ii) otherwise each Party shall bear all of its costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred in connection with such mediation.
- B. In the event that any mediation is not successful in resolving the dispute or that payment is not received within the time period described for mediation in Section 9.3.A, either the District or the Applicant may seek a judicial declaration of their respective rights and duties under this Agreement or otherwise, in a judicial proceeding in a state district court in Crockett County, assert any rights or defenses, or seek any remedy in law or in equity, against the other Party with respect to any claim relating to any breach, default, or nonperformance of any contract, agreement or undertaking made by a Party pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. If payments become due under this Agreement and are not received before the expiration of the ninety (90) days provided for such payment in Section 9.3.A, and if the Applicant has not contested such payment calculations under the procedures set forth herein, including judicial proceedings, the District shall have the remedies for the collection of the amounts determined under Section 9.4 as are set forth in Chapter 33, Subchapters B and C, of the TEXAS TAX CODE for the collection of delinquent taxes. In the event that the District successfully prosecutes legal proceedings under this section, the Applicant shall also be responsible for the payment of attorney's fees to the attorneys representing the District pursuant to Section 6.30 of the TEXAS TAX CODE and a tax lien shall attach to the Applicant's Qualified Property and the Applicant's Qualified Investment pursuant to Section 33.07 of the TEXAS TAX CODE to secure payment of such fees.

Section 9.4. CONSEQUENCES OF EARLY TERMINATION OR OTHER BREACH BY APPLICANT.

- A. In the event that the Applicant terminates this Agreement without the consent of the District, except as provided in Section 7.2 of this Agreement, the Applicant shall pay to the District liquidated damages for such failure within thirty (30) days after receipt of the notice of breach.
- B. In the event that the District determines that the Applicant has failed to comply in any material respect with the terms of this Agreement or to meet any material obligation under this Agreement, the Applicant shall pay to the District liquidated damages, as calculated by Section 9.4.C, prior to, and the District may terminate the Agreement effective on the later of: (i) the

expiration of the ninety (90) days provided for in Section 9.3.A, and (ii) thirty (30) days after any mediation and judicial proceedings initiated pursuant to Sections 9.3.A and 9.3.B are resolved in favor of the District.

- C. The sum of liquidated damages due and payable shall be the sum total of the District ad valorem taxes for all of the Tax Years for which a tax limitation was granted pursuant to this Agreement prior to the year in which the default occurs that otherwise would have been due and payable by the Applicant to the District without the benefit of this Agreement, including penalty and interest, as calculated in accordance with Section 9.4.E. For purposes of this liquidated damages calculation, the Applicant shall be entitled to a credit for all payments made to the District pursuant to Articles IV, V, and VI. Upon payment of such liquidated damages, the Applicant's obligations under this Agreement shall be deemed fully satisfied, and such payment shall constitute the District's sole remedy.
- D. In the event that the District determines that the Applicant has committed a Material Breach identified in Section 9.1, after the notice and mediation periods provided by Sections 9.2 and 9.3, then the District may, in addition to the payment of liquidated damages required pursuant to Section 9.4.C, terminate this Agreement.
- E. In determining the amount of penalty or interest, or both, due in the event of a breach of this Agreement, the District shall first determine the base amount of recaptured taxes less all credits under Section 9.4.C owed for each Tax Year during the Tax Limitation Period. The District shall calculate penalty or interest for each Tax Year during the Tax Limitation Period in accordance with the methodology set forth in Chapter 33 of the Texas Tax Code, as if the base amount calculated for such Tax Year less all credits under Section 9.4.C had become due and payable on February 1 of the calendar year following such Tax Year. Penalties on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Section 33.01(a) of the Texas Tax Code or its successor statute. Interest on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Section 33.01(c) of the Texas Tax Code, or its successor statute.

Section 9.5. LIMITATION OF OTHER DAMAGES.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event of default or breach of this Agreement by the Applicant, the District's damages for such a default shall under no circumstances exceed the amounts calculated under Section 9.4. In addition, the District's sole right of equitable relief under this Agreement shall be its right to terminate this Agreement. The Parties further agree that the limitation of damages and remedies set forth in this Section 9.5 shall be the sole and exclusive remedies available to the District, whether at law or under principles of equity.

Section 9.6. STATUTORY PENALTY FOR INADEQUATE QUALIFIED INVESTMENT.

Pursuant to Section 313.0275 of the TEXAS TAX CODE, in the event that the Applicant fails to make Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) of Qualified Investment, in whole or in part, during the Qualifying Time Period, the Applicant is liable to the State for a penalty. The amount of the penalty is the amount determined by: (i) multiplying the maintenance and operations tax rate of the school

district for that tax year that the penalty is due by (ii) the amount obtained after subtracting (a) the Tax Limitation Amount identified in Section 2.4.B from (b) the Market Value of the property identified on the Appraisal District's records for the Tax Year the penalty is due. This penalty shall be paid on or before February 1 of the year following the expiration of the Qualifying Time Period and is subject to the delinquent penalty provisions of Section 33.01 of the TEXAS TAX CODE. The Comptroller may grant a waiver of this penalty in the event of Force Majeure which prevents compliance with this provision.

Section 9.7. REMEDY FOR FAILURE TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN REQUIRED NEW QUALIFYING IOBS.

Pursuant to Section 313.0276 of the TEXAS TAX CODE, for any full Tax Year that commences after the project has become operational, in the event that it has been determined that the Applicant has failed to meet the job creation or retention requirements defined in Sections 9.1.C, the Applicant shall not be deemed to be in Material Breach of this Agreement until such time as the Comptroller has made a determination to rescind this Agreement under Section 313.0276 of TEXAS TAX CODE, and that determination is final.

Section 9.8. REMEDY FOR FAILURE TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN COMMITTED NEW QUALIFYING JOBS.

- A. In the event that the Applicant fails to create and maintain the number of New Qualifying Jobs specified in Schedule C of the Application, an event constituting a Material Breach as defined in Section 9.1.D, the Applicant and the District may elect to remedy the Material Breach through a penalty payment.
- B. Following the notice and mediation periods provided by Sections 9.2 and 9.3, the District may request the Applicant to make a payment to the State in an amount equal to: (i) multiplying the maintenance and operations tax rate of the school district for that Tax Year that the Material Breach occurs by (ii) the amount obtained after subtracting (a) the Tax Limitation Amount identified in Section 2.4.B from (b) the market value of the property identified on the Appraisal District's records for each tax year the Material Breach occurs.
- C. In the event that there is no tax limitation in place for the tax year that the Material Breach occurs, the payment to the State shall be in an amount equal to: (i) multiplying the maintenance and operations tax rate of the School District for each tax year that the Material Breach occurs by (ii) the amount obtained after subtracting (a) the tax limitation amount identified in Section 2.4.B from (b) the Market Value of the property identified on the Appraisal District's records for the last Tax Year for which the Applicant received a tax limitation.
- D. The penalty shall be paid no later than 30 days after the notice of breach and is subject to the delinquent penalty provisions of Section 33.01 of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

ARTICLE X. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 10.1. INFORMATION AND NOTICES.

- A. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all notices required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and deemed sufficiently given for all purposes hereof if (i) delivered in person, by courier (e.g., by Federal Express) or by registered or certified United States Mail to the Party to be notified, with receipt obtained, or (ii) sent by facsimile or email transmission, with notice of receipt obtained, in each case to the appropriate address or number as set forth below. Each notice shall be deemed effective on receipt by the addressee as aforesaid; provided that, notice received by facsimile or email transmission after 5:00 p.m. at the location of the addressee of such notice shall be deemed received on the first business day following the date of such electronic receipt.
- B. Notices to the District shall be addressed to the District's Authorized Representative as follows:

To the District

With Copy to

Name: Crockett County Consolidated Powell & Leon. LLP

Common School District

Attn: Superintendent Raul Chavarria Sara Hardner Leon

or his successor

Address: 797 Ave. D 108 Wild Basin Road #100

 City/Zip:
 Ozona, Texas 76943
 West Lake Hills, TX 78746

 Phone:
 (325) 392-5501
 Phone: (512) 494-1177

 Fax:
 (325) 392-5177
 Fax: (512) 494-1188

 Email:
 Raul.chavarria@ozonaschools.net
 sleon@powell-leon.com

C. Notices to the Applicant shall be addressed to its Authorized Representative as follows:

To the Applicant

Name: Apex Clean Energy

Attn: Mark Goodwin

President

Address: 310 4th St. NE, Suite 200 City/Zip: Charlottesville, VA 22902

Phone: (434) 220-7580 Fax: (434) 220-3712

Email: mark@apexcleanenergy.com

or at such other address or to such other facsimile transmission number and to the attention

of such other person as a Party may designate by written notice to the other.

D. A copy of any notice delivered to the Applicant shall also be delivered to any lender for which the Applicant has provided the District notice of collateral assignment information pursuant to Section 10.3C below.

Section 10.2. AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT; WAIVERS.

- A. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an instrument or instruments in writing signed by all of the Parties and after completing the requirements of Section 10.2.B. Waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement by any Party shall only be effective if in writing and shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of, or failure to comply with, the same term, condition, or provision, or a waiver of any other term, condition, or provision of this Agreement.
- B. By official action of the District's Board of Trustees, the Application and this Agreement may only be amended according to the following:
 - i. The Applicant shall submit to the District and the Comptroller:
 - a. a written request to amend the Application and this Agreement, which shall specify the changes the Applicant requests;
 - b. any changes to the information that was provided in the Application that was approved by the District and considered by the Comptroller;
 - c. and any additional information requested by the District or the Comptroller necessary to evaluate the amendment or modification;
 - ii. The Comptroller shall review the request and any additional information for compliance with the Act and the Comptroller's Rules and provide a revised Comptroller certificate for a limitation within 90 days of receiving the revised Application and, if the request to amend the Application has not been approved by the Comptroller by the end of the 90-day period, the request is denied; and
 - iii. If the Comptroller has not denied the request, the District's Board of Trustees shall approve or disapprove the request before the expiration of 150 days after the request is filed.
- C. Any amendment of the Application and this Agreement adding additional or replacement Qualified Property pursuant to this Section 10.2 of this Agreement shall:
 - i. require that all property added by amendment be eligible property as defined by Section 313.024 of the TEXAS TAX CODE;
 - ii. clearly identify the property, investment, and employment information added by amendment from the property, investment, and employment information in the original Agreement; and
- D. The Application and this Agreement may not be amended to extend the value limitation time period beyond its ten-year statutory term.
- E. The Comptroller determination made under Section 313.026(c)(2) of the TEXAS TAX CODE

in the original certificate for a limitation satisfies the requirement of the Comptroller to make the same determination for any amendment of the Application and this Agreement, provided that the facts upon which the original determination was made have not changed.

Section 10.3. ASSIGNMENT.

- A. Any assignment of any rights, benefits, obligations, or interests of the Parties in this Agreement, other than a collateral assignment purely for the benefit of creditors of the project, is considered an amendment to the Agreement and such Party may only assign such rights, benefits, obligations, or interests of this Agreement after complying with the provisions of Section 10.2 regarding amendments to the Agreement. Other than a collateral assignment to a creditor, this Agreement may only be assigned to an entity that is eligible to apply for and execute an agreement for limitation on appraised value pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code and the Comptroller's Rules.
- B. In the event of a merger or consolidation of the District with another school district or other governmental authority, this Agreement shall be binding on the successor school district or other governmental authority.
- C. In the event of an assignment to a creditor, the Applicant must notify the District and the Comptroller in writing no later than 30 days after the assignment. This Agreement shall be binding on the assignee.

Section 10.4. MERGER.

This Agreement contains all of the terms and conditions of the understanding of the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof. All prior negotiations, discussions, correspondence, and preliminary understandings between the Parties and others relating hereto are superseded by this Agreement.

Section 10.5. GOVERNING LAW.

This Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas without giving effect to principles thereof relating to conflicts of law or rules that would direct the application of the laws of another jurisdiction. Venue in any legal proceeding shall be in a state district court in Crockett County, Texas.

Section 10.6. AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT.

Each of the Parties represents and warrants that its undersigned representative has been expressly authorized to execute this Agreement for and on behalf of such Party.

Section 10.7. SEVERABILITY.

If any term, provision or condition of this Agreement, or any application thereof, is held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect under any Law (as hereinafter defined), this Agreement

shall be reformed to the extent necessary to conform, in each case consistent with the intention of the Parties, to such Law, and to the extent such term, provision, or condition cannot be so reformed, then such term, provision, or condition (or such invalid, illegal or unenforceable application thereof) shall be deemed deleted from (or prohibited under) this Agreement, as the case may be, and the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining terms, provisions, and conditions contained herein (and any other application such term, provision, or condition) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced, the Parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement in an acceptable manner so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible so that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the extent possible. As used in this Section 10.7, the term "Law" shall mean any applicable statute, law (including common law), ordinance, regulation, rule, ruling, order, writ, injunction, decree, or other official act of or by any federal, state or local government, governmental department, commission, board, bureau, agency, regulatory authority, instrumentality, or judicial or administrative body having jurisdiction over the matter or matters in question.

Section 10.8. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, or as covered by the application fee, each of the Parties shall pay its own costs and expenses relating to this Agreement, including, but not limited to, its costs and expenses of the negotiations leading up to this Agreement, and of its performance and compliance with this Agreement.

Section 10.9. INTERPRETATION.

- A. When a reference is made in this Agreement to a Section, Article, or Exhibit, such reference shall be to a Section or Article of, or Exhibit to, this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- B. The words "include," "includes," and "including" when used in this Agreement shall be deemed in such case to be followed by the phrase, "but not limited to". Words used in this Agreement, regardless of the number or gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context shall require.
- C. The provisions of the Act and the Comptroller's Rules are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in this Agreement. In the event of a conflict, the conflict will be resolved by reference to the following order of precedence:
 - i. The Act;
 - ii. The Comptroller's Rules as they exist at the time the Agreement is executed, except as allowed in the definition of Qualified Property in Section 1.1; and
 - iii. This Agreement and its Attachments including the Application as incorporated by reference.

Section 10.10. EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS.

This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which, taken together, shall constitute but one and the same instrument, which may be sufficiently evidenced by one counterpart.

Section 10.11. Publication of Documents.

The Parties acknowledge that the District is required to publish the Application and its required schedules, or any amendment thereto; all economic analyses of the proposed project submitted to the District; and the approved and executed copy of this Agreement or any amendment thereto, as follows:

- A. Within seven (7) days of receipt of such document, the District shall submit a copy to the Comptroller for publication on the Comptroller's Internet website;
- B. The District shall provide on its website a link to the location of those documents posted on the Comptroller's website;
- C. This Section does not require the publication of information that is confidential under Section 313.028 of the TEXAS TAX CODE.

Section 10.12. CONTROL; OWNERSHIP; LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

The Applicant shall immediately notify the District in writing of any actual or anticipated change in the control or ownership of the Applicant and of any legal or administrative investigations or proceedings initiated against the Applicant related to the project regardless of the jurisdiction from which such proceedings originate.

Section 10.13. DUTY TO DISCLOSE.

If circumstances change or additional information is obtained regarding any of the representations and warranties made by the Applicant in the Application or this Agreement, or any other disclosure requirements, subsequent to the date of this Agreement, the Applicant's duty to disclose continues throughout the term of this Agreement.

Section 10.14. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

- A. The District represents that, after diligent inquiry, each local public official or local government officer, as those terms are defined in Chapters 171 and 176 of the Texas Local Government Code has disclosed any conflicts of interest in obtaining or performing this Agreement and related activities, appropriately recused from any decisions relating to this Agreement when a disclosure has been made, and the performance of this Agreement will not create any appearance of impropriety. The District represents that it, the District's local public officials or local government officer, as those terms are defined in Chapters 171 and 176 of the Texas Local Government Code have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter, any future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant, employee, or representative of the other Party or the State of Texas in connection with this Agreement.
- B. The Applicant represents that, after diligent inquiry, each of its agents, as defined in Chapter

176 of the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, involved in the representation of the Applicant with the District has complied with the provisions of Chapter 176 of the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE The Applicant represents that it and its agents, as defined in Chapter 176 of the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter, any future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant, employee, or representative of the other Party or the State of Texas in connection with this Agreement.

C. The District and the Applicant each separately agree to notify the other Party and the Comptroller immediately upon learning of any conflicts of interest.

Section 10.15. Provisions Surviving Expiration or Termination.

Notwithstanding the expiration or termination (by agreement, breach, or operation of time) of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement regarding payments (including liquidated damages and tax payments), reports, records, and dispute resolution of the Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration dates of this Agreement until the following occurs:

- A. all payments, including liquidated damage and tax payments, have been made;
- B. all reports have been submitted;
- C. all records have been maintained in accordance with Section 8.6.A; and,
- D. all disputes in controversy have been resolved.

Section 10.16. FACSIMILE OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY.

- A. This Agreement may be duly executed and delivered in person, by mail, or by facsimile or other electronic format (including portable document format (pdf) transmitted by email). The executing Party must promptly deliver a complete, executed original or counterpart of this Agreement to the other executing Parties. This Agreement shall be binding on and enforceable against the executing Party whether or not it delivers such original or counterpart.
- B. Delivery is deemed complete as follows:
 - i. When delivered if delivered personally or sent by express courier service;
 - ii. Three (3) business days after the date of mailing if sent by registered or certified U.S. mail, postage prepaid, with return receipt requested;
 - iii. When transmitted if sent by facsimile, provided a confirmation of transmission is produced by the sending machine; or
 - iv. When the recipient, by an e-mail sent to the e-mail address for the executing Parties acknowledges having received that e-mail (an automatic "read receipt" does not constitute acknowledgment of an e-mail for delivery purposes).

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the Parties in multiple originals on this 19th day of December, 2018.

WHITE MESA WIND, LLC

CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED **COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

-Amy Newton Justin Morris

Secretary, Board of Trustees

EXHIBIT 1

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF ENTERPRISE OR REINVESTMENT ZONE

Survey	Block	Section		
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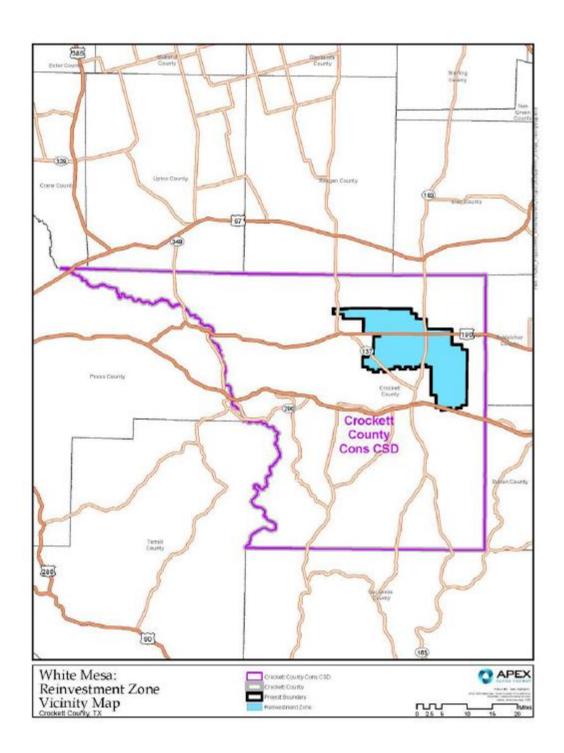
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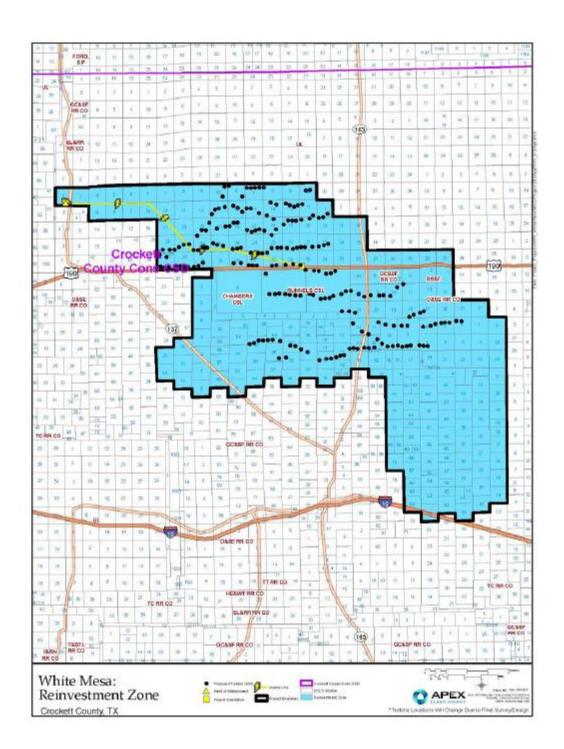
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	63		
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Survey	Block	Section		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	24	AUGUSTINE, W H	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	78	WEAVER, N K	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	64	BUCK, A M	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	58	BUCK, A M	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	39	BOOK, A W	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	19		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	64	MOORE, K	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	44	AUGUSTINE, W H	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	25	ACCOUNTINE, WIT	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	18	MISKELL, D A	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	77	WIGHTEL, DA	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	18	LANTZ, F	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	68	YOUNG, MRS M	

Survey	Block	Section		
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	53		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	48	PRINGLE, W A	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	34	FRIEND, H J	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	34	SHATTUCK, W D	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	14	CHILDRESS, P L	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	49		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	33		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	52	MC MAHEN, W H	





COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CROCKETT COUNTY

RESOLUTION AND ORDER DESIGNATING THE WHITE MESA REINVESTMENT ZONE IN THE JURISDICTION OF CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS

The Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, meeting in regular session on September 10, 2018, considered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Crockett County, Texas (the "County") has elected to become eligible to participate in tax abatement agreements under the provisions of the Texas Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act (Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code) (the "Act"); and,

WHEREAS, the County has adopted guidelines and criteria governing tax abatement agreements in a resolution dated on or about February 12, 2018 (the "Guidelines and Criteria"); and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required by Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code prior to approval of a reinvestment zone; and

WHEREAS, the County (a) timely published or posted all applicable notices of public hearing regarding the designation of the real estate described in the attached Exhibit A as a reinvestment zone for tax abatement purposes, and (b) timely notified all applicable presiding officers of the governing body of each taxing unit that includes in its boundaries real property that may be included in the proposed reinvestment zone;

WHEREAS, the improvements proposed for the reinvestment zone are feasible and of benefit to the reinvestment zone after expiration of an abatement agreement; and

WHEREAS, the property described on <u>Exhibit A</u> meets the criteria established in the Guidelines and Criteria for a reinvestment zone; and

WHEREAS, the designation of the reinvestment zone would contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment in the reinvestment zone that would be of benefit to the property described on Exhibit A and would contribute to the economic development of the County; and

WHEREAS, all interested members of the public were given an opportunity to make comment at the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, that:

- 1. The County hereby designates the property located in Crockett County, Texas, having the property description in Exhibit A attached to this Order as a reinvestment zone under the County's Guidelines and Criteria, having determined that (a) the property described on Exhibit A meets the criteria established in the Guidelines and Criteria, and (b) the designation of such reinvestment zone would contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment in the reinvestment zone that would be of benefit to the property described on Exhibit A and that would contribute to the economic development of the County.
- 2. The reinvestment zone created by this Order to include the real property described in Exhibit A shall be known as the "White Mesa Reinvestment Zone".

The foregoing Resolution and Order was lawfully moved by Arams seconded by Eligio Marting, and duly adopted by the Commis	K Tamburga
seconded by Eligio Martine, and duly adopted by the Commis	sioner's Court of
Crockett County, Texas, on September 10, 2018.	sioner's court of

FRED DEATON County Judge

ERANK TAMBUNGA Commissioner Precinct 1

WESLEY BEAN

Commissioner Precinct 3

PLEAS CHILDRESS Commissioner Precinct 2

ELIGIO MARTINEZ

Commissioner Precinct 4

The foregoing Resolution and Order is a true and correct copy of the Resolution and Order passed by the Commissioners' Court in open and regular session at the Crockett County Courthouse at 10:15 a.m. on September 10, 2018.

NINFA PREDDY

County Clerk, Crockett County, Texas

White Mesa Reinvestment Zone Sections

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SAVAGE, D	A 3	4			0
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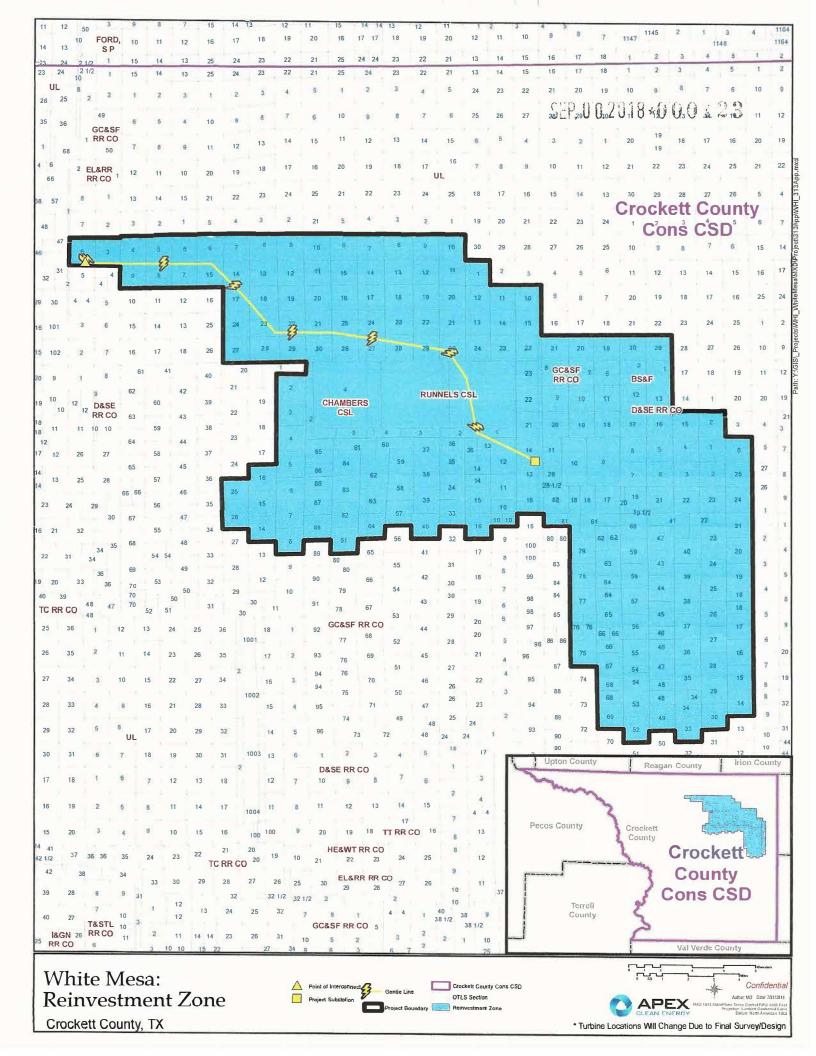


EXHIBIT 2

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF LAND

The Land included in the Project will include all or portions of the following parcels (all located in Crockett County):

Survey	Block	Section		
UL	51	6		
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CHAMBERS CSL		4	- , -	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	2	THOMPSON, G L	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	3	, _	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	4	THOMPSON, G L	
WOODROW, S K	A3	5	,	
SAVAGE, D	A3	4		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	61		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	85		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	59		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	84	BAZE, G	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	5		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	62	MASSIE, R	
GC&SF RR CO	OP	86	BAZE, G	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	16	THOMPSON, G L	
GC&SF RR CO	OP	58	BAZE, G	
GC&SF RR CO	OP	83		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	86	MASSIE, R	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	6	HARVICK, J A	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	25		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	63		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	87		
GC&SF RR CO	UV	15		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	57		
GC&SF RR CO	UV	7		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	82	MASSIE, R	
GC&SF RR CO	UV	26	HARVICK, J A	
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GC&SF RR CO	UV	14	HARVICK, J A	

Survey	Block	Section		
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ADAMS, R	AB	23		
GC&SF RR CO	AB	7		
HALEY, J	AB	6		
BS&F		2	CROUCH, G B	
D&SE RR CO	AB	9		
GC&SF RR CO	AB	22	CRAWFORD, C W	
D&SE RR CO	AB	10	MONTAGUE, J	
D&SE RR CO	AB	11		
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RUSSELL, J	A 3	2		
SWEAT, G W	A 3	1		
GC&SF RR CO	AB	21		
D&SE RR CO	AB	20	MONTAGUE, J	
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D&SE RR CO	AB	15		
GC&SF RR CO	1	2	MONTAGUE, J W	
GC&SF RR CO	OP	36	BRIGGS, A	
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SUTHERLAND, HRS G	CD	11		
BBB&C RR CO	CD	8		
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D&SE RR CO	CD	1		
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GC&SF RR CO	OP	35		
GC&SF RR CO	OP	14	CRAWFORD, C W	
GC&SF RR CO	OP	12	CRAWFORD, C W	
SILKWOOD, HRS S	CD	28		
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GC&SF RR CO	OP	14	BRIGGS, A	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	82	REILLY, J B	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	63		
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	78	WEAVER, N K	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	64	BUCK, A M	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	58	BUCK, A M	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	39	BOOK, A W	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	19		
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	54	DUDLEY, E	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	53	·	
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GC&SF RR CO	GH	34	FRIEND, H J	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	34	SHATTUCK, W D	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	14	CHILDRESS, P L	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	69		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	30	NOLEN, W H	
GC&SF RR CO	GH	49		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	33		
GC&SF RR CO	GH	52	MC MAHEN, W H	

EXHIBIT 3

APPLICANT'S QUALIFIED INVESTMENT

The qualified investment is expected to consist of approximately 200 GE 2.5 MW wind turbines for a total operating capacity of approximately 500 MW. In addition to the wind turbines, electrical connections will be installed to permit the interconnection and transmission of electricity generated by the wind turbines. There will also be located within the project boundary an electrical substation with one permanent control room; a transmission line to the interconnection point to the northwest of the project site; one permanent operations and maintenance building; office equipment and computers; anemometer towers; electrical transmission interconnects, cables, towers, and control systems for commercial generation of electricity; fencing and other equipment as needed for safety and security; and other personal property supporting the Project.

The Project will lease land from local land owners. The expected project area for the entire Project is approximately 118,608 acres.

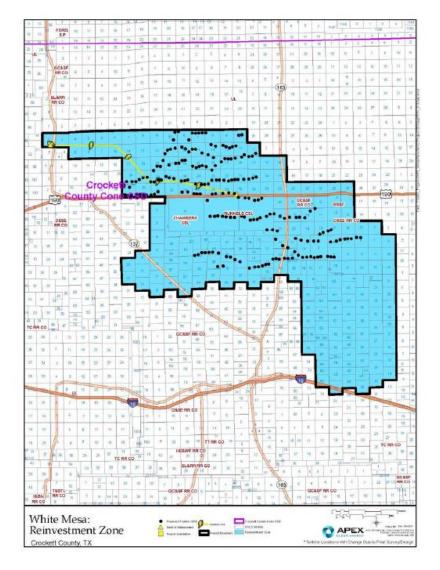


EXHIBIT 4

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF QUALIFIED PROPERTY

The qualified property is expected to consist of approximately 200 GE 2.5 MW wind turbines for a total operating capacity of approximately 500 MW. In addition to the wind turbines, electrical connections will be installed to permit the interconnection and transmission of electricity generated by the wind turbines. There will also be located within the project boundary an electrical substation with one permanent control room; a transmission line to the interconnection point to the northwest of the project site; one permanent operations and maintenance building; office equipment and computers; anemometer towers; electrical transmission interconnects, cables, towers, and control systems for commercial generation of electricity; fencing and other equipment as needed for safety and security; and other personal property supporting the Project.

