

SECTION 10: The Property (continued)

5. List all state and local incentives as an annual percentage. Include the estimated start and end year of the incentive:

County: \_\_\_\_\_ (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year)

Hospital District: \_\_\_\_\_ (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year)

Water District: \_\_\_\_\_ (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year)

Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_ (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year)

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6. Is the project located entirely within the ISD listed in Section 1?  Yes  No

6a. If no, attach in Tab 6 maps of the entire project (depicting all other relevant school districts) and additional information on the project scope and size. Please note that only the qualified property within the ISD listed in Section 1 is eligible for the limitation from this application. Please verify that all information in Tabs 7 and 8, Section 11, 12 and 13, and map project boundaries pertain to only the property within the ISD listed in Section 1.

7. Did you receive a determination from the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office that this proposed project and at least one other project seeking a limitation agreement constitute a single unified project (SUP), as allowed in §313.024(d-2)?  Yes  No

7a. If yes, attach in Tab 6 supporting documentation from the Office of the Governor.

SECTION 11: Texas Tax Code 313.021(1) Qualified Investment

NOTE: The minimum amount of qualified investment required to qualify for an appraised value limitation and the minimum amount of appraised value limitation vary depending on whether the school district is classified as Subchapter B or Subchapter C, and the taxable value of the property within the school district. For assistance in determining estimates of these minimums, access the Comptroller's website at comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/.

1. At the time of application, what is the estimated minimum qualified investment required for this school district? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the amount of appraised value limitation for which you are applying? \_\_\_\_\_

Note: The property value limitation amount is based on property values available at the time of application and may change prior to the execution of any final agreement.

3. Does the qualified investment meet the requirements of Tax Code §313.021(1)?  Yes  No

- 4. Attach a description of the qualified investment [See §313.021(1).] The description must include:
a. a specific and detailed description of the qualified investment you propose to make within the project boundary for which you are requesting an appraised value limitation as defined by Tax Code §313.021 (Tab 7);
b. a description of any new buildings, proposed new improvements or personal property which you intend to include as part of your minimum qualified investment (Tab 7); and
c. a detailed map of the qualified investment showing location of tangible personal property to be placed in service during the qualifying time period and buildings to be constructed during the qualifying time period, with vicinity map (Tab 11).

5. Do you intend to make at least the minimum qualified investment required by Tax Code §313.023 (or §313.053 for Subchapter C school districts) for the relevant school district category during the qualifying time period?  Yes  No

SECTION 12: Texas Tax Code 313.021(2) Qualified Property

- 1. Attach a detailed description of the qualified property. [See §313.021(2)] The description must include:
1a. a specific and detailed description of the qualified property for which you are requesting an appraised value limitation as defined by Tax Code §313.021 (Tab 8);
1b. a description of any new buildings, proposed new improvements or personal property which you intend to include as part of your qualified property (Tab 8);
1c. a map or site plan of the proposed qualified property showing the location of the new buildings or new improvements inside the project area boundaries within a vicinity map that includes school district, county and reinvestment zone boundaries (Tab 11); and
1d. Will any of the proposed qualified property be used to renovate, refurbish, upgrade, maintain, modify, improve, or functionally replace existing buildings or existing improvements inside or outside the project area?  Yes  No

Note: Property used to renovate, refurbish, upgrade, maintain, modify, improve, or functionally replace existing buildings or existing improvements inside or outside the project area cannot be considered qualified property and will not be eligible for a limitation. See TAC §9.1051(16).



## *Tab 4: Detailed Description of the Project*

Rising Star Solar, LLC is a 150 MW/AC solar electric generation facility that will be located in southern Starr County in Rio Grande City Consolidated Independent School District. The facility will feature 501,000 photovoltaic panels and 49 central inverters.

Rising Star Solar, LLC is being developed by NextEra Energy. NextEra Energy is the world's largest producer of wind and solar energy. As a leader in the renewable energy industry, NextEra Energy is committed to investing in clean energy through its expansive portfolio of wind and solar facilities, as well as battery storage capacity. They are dedicated to shaping the future of American energy through their commitment to investing in technologies that provide clean energy and economic growth in communities across the country.

**Please Note: This application covers all qualified property in the reinvestment zone and project boundary within Rio Grande City Consolidated ISD including the following:**

- Substation
- Transmission Line
- Inverter and Transformers
- Foundations
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- Posts & Racking Equipment
- Meteorological Towers & Equipment
- Mounting & Tracker Equipment
- Interconnection Facilities
- Solar Modules & Panels
- Power Conditioning Equipment
- Combiner Boxes
- Operation & Maintenance Buildings
- DC and AC collection wires, cables, and equipment
- SCADA equipment

### Generation of Solar Energy:

When sunlight strikes photovoltaic panels, photons from the sun's energy are absorbed by the semiconductors that compose the photovoltaic cells in the panel. After the semiconductor absorbs enough of these photons, electrons are dislodged from the atoms. These electrons then flow to the front of the cell, creating an imbalance in charge due to their negative properties. This imbalance creates a voltage potential which in turn is collected by electrical conductors in the cell and carried to either storage batteries or circuits to provide power.



## *Tab 7: Description of Qualified Investment*

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Rising Star Solar, LLC requests that the limitation covers all qualified investment and qualified property located within Rio Grande City Consolidated ISD. It is our request that the limitation includes all eligible and ancillary equipment including the following:

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