

May 27, 2022

Via Electronic Mail: ch313.apps@cpa.texas.gov
Local Government Assistance & Economic Analysis
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
Lyndon B. Johnson State Office Building
111 E. 17th Street
Austin, Texas 78774

Re: Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property from Red

River Bend Solar, LLC to New Boston Independent School District

Start of Qualifying Time Period: January 1, 2026 Start of Value Limitation Period: January 1, 2028

Dear Local Government Assistance and Economic Analysis Division:

The Board of Trustees of the New Boston Independent School District (the "District") accepted the enclosed Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property (the "Application") at a duly called meeting held on May 16, 2022. The Application was determined to be complete by the District on May 27, 2022.

The Applicant, Red River Bend Solar, LLC, is proposing to construct a solar electric generating facility in Bowie County, Texas. The Board of Trustees believes this project will be beneficial to the District and looks forward to your review and certification of this Application.

An electronic copy of the Application is being provided to the Bowie County Appraisal District by copy of this correspondence.

Thank you so much for your kind consideration to the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick L. Lambert

RLL;sl

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Mr. Mike Brower, Chief Appraiser, Bowie County Appraisal District

Via Electronic Mail: bbobbitt@nbschools.net

Mr. Brian Bobbitt, Superintendent of Schools, New Boston ISD

Via Electronic Mail: jonathan.koehn@engie.com

Mr. Ben Lindemeier, Vice President, ENGIE North America

Via Electronic Mail: randall.rayford@engie.com

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Mr. Brandon Westlake, Partner, Cummings Westlake, LLC



Pages 1 through 9 of application

Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property

(Tax Code, Chapter 313, Subchapter B or C)

INSTRUCTIONS: This application must be completed and filed with the school district. In order for an application to be processed, the governing body (school board) must elect to consider an application, but — by Comptroller rule — the school board may elect to consider the application only after the school district has received a completed application. Texas Tax Code, Section 313.025 requires that any completed application and any supplemental materials received by the school district must be forwarded within seven days to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

If the school board elects to consider the application, the school district must:

- notify the Comptroller that the school board has elected to consider the application. This notice must include:
 - the date on which the school district received the application;
 - the date the school district determined that the application was complete;
 - the date the school board decided to consider the application; and
 - a request that the Comptroller prepare an economic impact analysis of the application;
- · provide a copy of the notice to the appraisal district;
- must complete the sections of the application reserved for the school district and provide information required in the Comptroller rules located at 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Section 9.1054; and
- forward the completed application to the Comptroller, separating each section of the documents. See 34 TAC Chapter 9, Subchapter F.

The governing body may, at its discretion, allow the applicant to supplement or amend the application after the filing date, subject to the restrictions in 34 TAC Chapter 9, Subchapter F.

When the Comptroller receives the notice and required information from the school district, and has determined that all assertions of confidentiality are appropriate, the Comptroller will publish all submitted non-confidential application materials on its website. The Comptroller is authorized to treat some application information as confidential and withhold it from publication on the Internet. To do so, however, the information must be segregated and comply with the other requirements set out in the Comptroller's rules. For more information, see guidelines on Comptroller's website.

The Comptroller will independently determine whether the application has been completed according to the Comptroller's rules (34 TAC Chapter 9, Subchapter F). If the Comptroller finds the application is not complete, the Comptroller will request additional materials from the school district. Pursuant to 9.1053(a)(1)(C), requested information shall be provided within 20 days of the date of the request. When the Comptroller determines that the application is complete, it will send the school district a notice indicating so. The Comptroller will determine the eligibility of the project and issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value to the school board regarding the application by the 90th day after the Comptroller receives a complete application—as determined by the Comptroller.

The school board must approve or disapprove the application not later than the 150th day after the application review start date (the date the application is finally determined to be complete by the Comptroller), unless an extension is granted. The Comptroller and school district are authorized to request additional information from the applicant that is reasonably necessary to issue a certificate, complete the economic impact evaluation or consider the application at any time during the application review period.

Please visit the Comptroller's website to find out more about the program at comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/. There are links to the Chapter 313 statute, rules, guidelines and forms. Information about minimum limitation values for particular districts and wage standards may also be found at that site.

| SECTION 1: School District Information | | |
|---|--|--------|
| Authorized School District Representative | | |
| May 16, 2022 | | |
| Date Application Received by District | | |
| Brian | Bobbitt | |
| First Name | Last Name | |
| Superintendent | | |
| Title | | |
| New Boston Independent School District | | |
| School District Name | | |
| 201 Rice St. | | |
| Street Address | | |
| 201 Rice St. | | |
| Mailing Address | | |
| New Boston | TX | 75570 |
| City | State | ZIP |
| 903-628-2521 | 903-628-8990 | |
| Phone Number | Fax Number | |
| NA | bbobbitt@nbschools.net | |
| Mobile Number (optional) | Email Address | |
| 2. Does the district authorize the consultant to provide and obtain | information related to this application? | Yes No |

| SECTION 1: School District Information (continued) | | |
|---|--|--------------|
| 3. Authorized School District Consultant (If Applicable) | | |
| Shelly | Leung | |
| First Name | Last Name | |
| Director of Economic Development | | |
| Title | | |
| Powell Law Group, LLP | | |
| Firm Name | | |
| 512-494-1177 | 512-494-1188 | |
| Phone Number | Fax Number | |
| NA | sleung@plg-law.com | |
| Mobile Number (optional) | Email Address | |
| 4. On what date did the district determine this application complete? | | May 27, 2022 |
| SECTION 2: Applicant Information | | |
| Authorized Company Representative (Applicant) | | |
| Ben | Lindermeier | |
| First Name | Last Name | |
| Vice President | ENGIE North America | |
| Title | Organization | |
| 3760 State St., Suite 200 | | |
| Street Address 3760 State St., Suite 200 | | |
| Mailing Address | | |
| Santa Barbara | CA | 93105 |
| City | State | ZIP |
| 805-569-6181 | NA NA | |
| Phone Number | Fax Number | |
| NA | jonathan.koehn@engie.com | |
| Mobile Number (optional) | Business Email Address | |
| Will a company official other than the authorized company represe information requests? | | Yes No |
| 2a. If yes, please fill out contact information for that person. | | |
| Randall | Rayford | |
| First Name | Last Name | |
| Production Development Advisor | ENGIE North America | |
| Title | Organization | |
| 1360 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 400 | | |
| Street Address | | |
| 1360 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 400 | | |
| Mailing Address | | |
| Houston | TX | 77056 |
| City | State | ZIP |
| 713-636-0000 | NA | |
| Phone Number | Fax Number | |
| NA | randall.rayford@engie.com | |
| Mobile Number (optional) | Business Email Address | |
| 3. Does the applicant authorize the consultant to provide and obtain | information related to this application? | Yes No |

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| SECTION 2: Applicant Information (continuea) | |
|--|---|
| 4. Authorized Company Consultant (If Applicable) | |
| Brandon | Westlake |
| First Name | Last Name |
| Partner | |
| Title | |
| Cummings Westlake, LLC | |
| Firm Name | |
| 713-266-4456 | 713-266-2333 |
| Phone Number | Fax Number |
| bwestlake@cwlp.net | |
| Business Email Address | |
| SECTION 3: Fees and Payments | |
| 1. Has an application fee been paid to the school district? | |
| The total fee shall be paid at the same time the application is submbe considered supplemental payments. | nitted to the school district. Any fees not accompanying the original application shall |
| If yes, include all transaction information below. Include pro information provided will not be publicly posted. | of of application fee paid to the school district in Tab 2. Any confidential banking |
| \$75,000 | Check |
| Payment Amount | Transaction Type |
| ENGIE IR Holdings, LLC | New Boston Independent School District |
| Payor | Payee |
| May 23, 2022 Date transaction was processed | |
| | " include any and all payments or transfers of things of value made to the school nsfer of thing of value being provided is in recognition of, anticipation of, or consider |
| 2. Will any "payments to the school district" that you may make in ord agreement result in payments that are not in compliance with Tax C | |
| 3. If "payments to the school district" will only be determined by a form amount being specified, could such method result in "payments to compliance with Tax Code §313.027(i)? | the school district" that are not in |
| SECTION 4: Business Applicant Information | |
| What is the legal name of the applicant under which this application | n is made? Red River Bend Solar, LLC |
| 2. Texas Taxpayer I.D. number of entity subject to Tax Code, Chapter | 171 (11 digits) |
| 3. Parent Company Name | |
| 4. Parent Company Tax ID | |
| 5. NAICS code | |
| 6. Is the applicant a party to any other pending or active Chapter 3136a. If yes, please list application number, name of school district | |
| - Type, pieuse net application number, nume el series distrib | tulid your or agrooment |
| SECTION 5: Applicant Business Structure | |
| 1. Business Organization of Applicant (corporation, limited liability corporation | n, etc) Limited Liability Company |
| 2. Is applicant a combined group, or comprised of members of a com- | bined group, as defined by Tax Code §171.0001(7)? Yes 🗸 No |
| 2a. If yes, attach in Tab 3 a copy of the most recently submitted | d Texas Comptroller Franchise Tax Form No. 05-165, No. 05-166, or any other rate the applicant's combined group membership and contact information. |
| For more information, visit our website | e: comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/ Page 3 |

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| S | ECTIO | N 5: Applicant Business Structure (continued) | | |
|----|------------|--|----------------|-------------|
| | 2b. | Texas Franchise Tax Reporting Entity Taxpayer Name Red River Bend Solar, LLC | | |
| | 2c. | Reporting Entity Taxpayer Number 32080171781 | | |
| 3. | Is the | applicant current on all tax payments due to the State of Texas? | √ Yes | No |
| 4. | Are all | applicant members of the combined group current on all tax payments due to the State of Texas? Yes | No | ✓ N/A |
| S | ECTIO | N 6: Eligibility Under Tax Code Chapter 313.024 | | |
| 1. | Are yo | ou an entity subject to the tax under Tax Code, Chapter 171? | √ Yes | No |
| | | roperty will be used for one of the following activities: | | |
| | (1) | manufacturing | Yes | √ No |
| | (2) | research and development | Yes | √ No |
| | (3) | a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, Water Code | Yes | √ No |
| | (4) | an advanced clean energy project, as defined by Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code | Yes | √ No |
| | (5) | renewable energy electric generation | √ Yes | No |
| | (6) | electric power generation using integrated gasification combined cycle technology | Yes | √ 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 | ✓ No |
| | (9) | a Texas Priority Project, as defined by 313.024(e)(7) and TAC 9.1051* | Yes | ✓ No |
| 3. | Are yo | ou requesting that any of the land be classified as qualified investment? | Yes | ✓ No |
| 4. | Will ar | ny of the proposed qualified investment be leased under a capitalized lease? | Yes | ✓ No |
| 5. | Will ar | 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 | √ No |
| 7. | | ny property be pooled or proposed to be pooled with property owned by the applicant in determining the amount of ualified investment? | Yes | √ No |
| *N | ote: Ap | plicants requesting eligibility under this category should note that there are additional application and reporting data submi | ission require | ements. |
| S | ECTIO | N 7: Project Description | | |
| 1. | persor | 4, attach a detailed description of the scope of the proposed project, including, at a minimum, the type and planned use on all property, the nature of the business, a timeline for property construction or installation, and any other relevant information of a reapplication please specify and provide details regarding the original project. | | |
| 2. | | the project characteristics that apply to the proposed project: | | |
| | √ L | Land has no existing improvements Land has existing improvements (complete Sec | tion 13) | |
| | | Expansion of existing operation on the land (complete Section 13) Relocation within Texas | | |

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| S | ECTION 8: Limitation as Determining Factor | | | |
|-----|---|---|-------------|--------------|
| 1. | Does the applicant currently own the land on which the proposed project | et will occur? | Yes | √ No |
| 2. | Has the applicant entered into any agreements, contracts or letters of in | ntent related to the proposed project? | Yes | √ No |
| 3. | Does the applicant have current business activities at the location where | e the proposed project will occur? | Yes | √ No |
| 4. | Has the applicant made public statements in SEC filings or other docum proposed project location? | | Yes | ✓ No |
| 5. | Has the applicant received any local or state permits for activities on the | e proposed project site? | Yes | ✓ No |
| 6. | Has the applicant received commitments for state or local incentives for | activities at the proposed project site? | Yes | ✓ No |
| 7. | Is the applicant evaluating other locations not in Texas for the proposed | project? | ✓ Yes | No |
| 8. | Has the applicant provided capital investment or return on investment in with other alternative investment opportunities? | | Yes | ✓ No |
| 9. | Has the applicant provided information related to the applicant's inputs, tra | ansportation and markets for the proposed project? | Yes | ✓ No |
| 10. | Are you submitting information to assist in the determination as to wheth factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the projection | | ✓ Yes | No |
| | apter 313.026(e) states "the applicant may submit information to the der Subsection (c)(2)." If you answered "yes" to any of the question | | | rmination |
| S | ECTION 9: Projected Timeline | | | |
| | TE: Only construction beginning after the application review start date (the unplete) can be considered qualified property and/or qualified investment. | • | the applica | ation |
| 1. | Estimated school board ratification of final agreement | 0 | ctober 20 | 022 |
| 2. | Estimated commencement of construction | Ja | anuary 20 | 027 |
| 3. | Beginning of qualifying time period (MM/DD/YYYY) | | 01/01/202 | 26 |
| 4. | First year of limitation (YYYY) | (| 01/01/202 | 28 |
| | 4a. For the beginning of the limitation period, notate which one of the fo | |)(2): | |
| | A. January 1 following the application date B. January 1 | eary 1 following the end of QTP | | |
| | C. January 1 following the commencement of commercial operation | | | |
| | e. Sandary Fromowing the commoncement of commondation operation | | | |
| 5. | Commencement of commercial operations | | cember 2 | 2027 |
| S | ECTION 10: The Property | | | |
| 1. | County or counties in which the proposed project will be located | Bowie County | | |
| | Central Appraisal District (CAD) that will be responsible for appraising th | ne property Bowie CAD | | |
| | Will this CAD be acting on behalf of another CAD to appraise this prope | | Yes | ✓ No |
| | List all taxing entities that have jurisdiction for the property, the portion o | | | V 112 |
| | M&O (ISD): New Boston ISD; 100%; \$1.0416 | I&S (ISD): New Boston ISD; 100%; \$ | 0.25746 | ; |
| | (Name, tax rate and percent of project) | (Name, tax rate and percent of | project) | |
| | County: Bowie County; 100%; \$0.424322 (Name, tax rate and percent of project) | City: NA (Name, tax rate and percent of | project) | |
| | Hospital District: NA | Water District: NA | . , , | |
| | (Name, tax rate and percent of project) | (Name, tax rate and percent of | project) | |
| | Other (describe): Texarkana College; 100%; \$0.123081 (Name, tax rate and percent of project) | Other (describe): NA (Name, tax rate and percent of | project) | |
| | | | | |

| S | ECTION 10: T | he Property (continued) | | |
|-----|--|---|--|---|
| 5. | List all state a | nd local incentives as an annual percentage. Include | the estimated start and e | end year of the incentive: |
| | County: | 312 Abatement, 100%, 2028-2037 | City: | NA |
| | County. | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year) | City. | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year) |
| | Hospital Distri | ct. NA | Water District: | NA |
| | 1 lospital Distri | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year) | | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end yeart) |
| | Other (describe |). NA | Other (describe): | NA |
| | Other (describe | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year) | _ Other (describe) | (Incentive type, percentage, start and end year) |
| | | | | |
| 6. | Is the project | located entirely within the ISD listed in Section 1? | | Yes No |
| | 6a. If no, a | attach in Tab 6 maps of the entire project (depicting a | all other relevant school di | istricts) and additional information on the project scope and |
| | size. P | Please note that only the qualified property within the information in Tabs 7 and 8 , Section 11, 12 and 13, | ISD listed in Section 1 is | eligible for the limitation from this application. Please verify ries pertain to only the property within the ISD listed in |
| 7. | Did you receiv | re a determination from the Texas Economic Developr | ment and Tourism Office th | nat this proposed project and at least |
| | one other proj | ect seeking a limitation agreement constitute a single | unified project (SUP), as a | allowed in §313.024(d-2)? Yes 🗸 No |
| | 7a. If yes, | attach in Tab 6 supporting documentation from the C | Office of the Governor. | |
| ς | FCTION 11·T | exas Tax Code 313.021(1) Qualified Investmer | nt . | |
| | | num amount of qualified investment required to qualify | | nitation and the minimum amount of appraised value |
| lim | itation vary dep | pending on whether the school district is classified as | Subchapter B or Subchapt | ter C, and the taxable value of the property within the school basite at comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/. |
| 1. | At the time of | application, what is the estimated minimum qualified | investment required for t | this school district? 40,000,000 |
| 2. | What is the ar | mount of appraised value limitation for which you are | applying? | 40,000,000 |
| | | | | e of application and may change prior to the execution of |
| | any final agre | | alado avallable at the time | — — — |
| 3. | Does the qual | ified investment meet the requirements of Tax Code | §313.021(1)? | Yes No |
| 4. | a. a spec apprais b. a desc qualifie c. a deta | sed value limitation as defined by Tax Code §313.02 ription of any new buildings, proposed new improver ed investment (Tab 7); and | ent you propose to make v 1 (Tab 7); ments or personal propert n of tangible personal prop | within the project boundary for which you are requesting an by which you intend to include as part of your minimum certy to be placed in service during the qualifying time |
| 5. | Do you intend | to make at least the minimum qualified investment r | equired by Tax Code §31 | 3.023 (or §313.053 for Subchapter C school districts) |
| | for the relevan | nt school district category during the qualifying time p | period? | Yes No |
| S | ECTION 12:T | exas Tax Code 313.021(2) Qualified Property | | |
| 1 | Attach a detai | led description of the qualified property. [See §313.0 | 21(2)] The description mu | ist include. |
| ١. | | | . /- | ting an appraised value limitation as defined by Tax Code |
| | |)21 (Tab 8); | , | , |
| | | ription of any new buildings, proposed new improver ty (Tab 8); | ments or personal propert | y which you intend to include as part of your qualified |
| | | or site plan of the proposed qualified property showi aries within a vicinity map that includes school distric | | v buildings or new improvements inside the project area nt zone boundaries (Tab 11); and |
| | 1d. Will an | y of the proposed qualified property be used to reno | vate, refurbish, upgrade, i | maintain, modify, improve, or functionally |
| | replace | e existing buildings or existing improvements inside of | or outside the project area | a? Yes 🗸 No |
| | in | roperty used to renovate, refurbish, upgrade, maintai aprovements inside or outside the project area canno ee TAC §9.1051(16). | | |

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

| 2. | | s or new improvements will be built part of the qualified property described by | Yes V No |
|----|---|---|-------------------------------|
| | 2a. If yes, attach complete documenta | | |
| | a. legal description of the land | | |
| | b. each existing appraisal parc | cel number of the land on which the new improvements will be constructed, regardless current parcel will become qualified property (Tab 9); | of whether or not all of |
| | c. owner (Tab 9); | | |
| | | f the land, attach estimate if land is part of larger parcel (Tab 9); and | |
| | e. a detailed map showing the | e location of the land with vicinity map (Tab 11). | |
| 3. | | onstruction or new improvements currently located in an area designated as a pter 311 or 312 or as an enterprise zone under Government Code Chapter 2303? | Yes V |
| | 3a. If yes, attach the applicable supp | porting documentation: | |
| | | lifies as an enterprise zone as defined by the Governor's Office (Tab 16); | |
| | b. legal description of reinvest | | |
| | | ce establishing the reinvestment zone (Tab 16); | |
| | d. guidelines and criteria for cr | | |
| | e. a map of the reinvestment z | zone or enterprise zone boundaries with vicinity map (Tab 11) | |
| | • | of proposed reinvestment zone or enterprise zone with a map indicating the boundaries new improvements to the Comptroller's office within 30 days of the application date. | of the zone on which |
| | What is the anticipated date on w | which you will submit final proof of a reinvestment zone or enterprise zone? | SD to Create |
| S | SECTION 13: Information on Property | y Not Eligible to Become Qualified Property | |
| 2. | property. 2. In Tab 10 , attach a specific and detailed | description of all proposed new property within the project boundary that will not be | pecome new |
| | is used to maintain, refurbish, renovate, r qualified property. The description must | 51. This includes proposed property that: functionally replaces existing or demolished/rer modify or upgrade existing property; or is affixed to existing property; or is otherwise ine provide sufficient detail to distinguish existing property (statement 1) and all proposed nom proposed qualified property that will be subject to the agreement (as described in Se | ligible to become ew property |
| 3. | 3. For the property not eligible to become q following supporting information in Tab 1 | qualified property within the project boundary in response to statements 1 and 2 of this solo: | ection, provide the |
| | a. maps and/or detailed site plan; | | |
| | b. surveys; | | |
| | c. appraisal district values and parce | el numbers; | |
| | d. inventory lists; | | |
| | e. existing and proposed property lis | sts; | |
| | f. model and serial numbers of exist | sting property; or | |
| | g. other information of sufficient deta | ail and description. | |
| 4. | Total estimated market value of existing p (that property described in response to si | property within the project boundary statement 1): | 0.00 |
| 5 | | the CAD of all the buildings and improvements existing as of a date within 15 days of the | no data the application |
| Э. | is received by the school district. | the CAD of all the buildings and improvements existing as of a date within 15 days of the | le date the application |
| 6. | | d property not eligible to become qualified property statement 2): | 0.00 |
| No | | tatement 2 may count towards qualified investment in Column C of Schedules A-1 and A | -2, if it meets the |
| | | cannot become qualified property on Schedule B. | , |

For more information, visit our website: **comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/**

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| 2 | ECTION 14: Wage and Employment information | |
|-----|---|--|
| 1 | What is the number of new qualifying jobs you are committing to create? | 1 |
| | What is the number of new qualifying jobs you are committing to create? | 0 |
| 2. | What is the number of new non-qualifying jobs you are estimating you will create? (See TAC 9.1051(14)) | <u> </u> |
| 3. | Do you intend to request that the governing body waive the minimum new qualifying job creation requirement, as provided under Tax Code §313.025(f-1)? | ✓ Yes No |
| | 3a. If yes, attach evidence of industry standard in Tab 12 documenting that the new qualifying job creation requirement of employees necessary for the operation, according to industry standards. | nt above exceeds the number |
| 4. | Attach in Tab 13 the four most recent quarters of data for each wage calculation below, including documentation from the Commission website. The final actual statutory minimum annual wage requirement for the applicant for each qualifying joing from this estimate — will be based on information available at the time of the application review start date (date of a complex system). Note: If a more recent quarter of information becomes available before the application is deemed information will be required. | b — which may differ slightly pleted application). See TAC |
| | Non-qualified job wages average weekly wage for all jobs (all industries) in the county is | \$ 877.00 |
| | b. Qualifying job wage minimum option §313.021(5)(A) -110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the county is | \$ 1,030.43 |
| | c. Qualifying job wage minimum option §313.021(5)(B) -110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the region is | \$ 937.09 |
| 5. | Which Tax Code section are you using to estimate the qualifying job wage standard required for this project? | 5)(A) or \$313.021(5)(B) |
| ô. | What is the minimum required annual wage for each qualifying job based on the qualified property? | \$ 48,728.90 |
| 7. | What is the annual wage you are committing to pay for each of the new qualifying jobs you create on the qualified property? | \$ 48,729.00 |
| 3. | Will the qualifying jobs meet all minimum requirements set out in Tax Code §313.021(3)? | Yes No |
| 9. | Do you intend to satisfy the minimum qualifying job requirement through a determination of cumulative economic benefits to the state as provided by §313.021(3)(F)? | Yes ✓ No |
| | 9a. If yes, attach in Tab 13 supporting documentation from the TWC, pursuant to §313.021(3)(F). | |
| 10. | . Do you intend to rely on the project being part of a single unified project, as allowed in §313.024(d-2), in meeting the qualifying job requirements? | Yes ✓ No |
| | 10a. If yes, attach in Tab 6 supporting documentation including a list of qualifying jobs in the other school district(s). | |

SECTION 15: Economic Impact

- 1. Complete and attach Schedules A1, A2, B, and C in **Tab 14**. **Note**: Excel spreadsheet versions of schedules are available for download and printing at URL listed below.
- 2. Attach an Economic Impact Analysis, if supplied by an entity other than the Comptroller's office, in Tab 15. (not required)
- 3. If there are any other payments made in the state or economic information that you believe should be included in the economic analysis, attach a separate schedule showing the amount for each year affected, including an explanation, in **Tab 15**.



<u>Proof of Payment of Application Fee</u>

Please find on the attached page, copy of the check for the \$75,000 application fee to New Boston Independent School District.

Proof of payment of filing fee received by the Comptroller of Public Accounts per TAC Rule §9.1054 (b)(5)

(Page Inserted by Office of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts)



<u>Documentation of Combined Group membership under Texas Tax Code 171.0001(7), history of tax</u> <u>default, delinquencies and/or material litigation (if applicable)</u>

Not Applicable



Detailed Description of the Project

Provide a detailed description of the scope of the proposed project, including, at a minimum, the type and planned use of real and tangible personal property, the nature of the business, a timeline for property construction or installation, and any other relevant information.

Red River Bend Solar, LLC (Red River Bend Solar) is requesting an appraised value limitation from New Boston Independent School District (ISD) for the Red River Bend Solar Project (the "Project"), a proposed solar powered electric generating facility with attached battery storage in Bowie County. The proposed New Boston ISD Project (this application) will be constructed within a Reinvestment Zone that will be created by New Boston ISD. A map showing the location of the project is included in TAB 11.

The proposed Project is anticipated to have a capacity of approximately 150MW located in New Boston ISD. The exact number and location of panels and inverters will vary depending upon ongoing siting analysis, manufacturer's availability, prices, and the final megawatt generating capacity of the Project when completed. Current estimated plans are to install approximately 400,000 PV modules and inverters with all improvements located in New Boston ISD. The Applicant requests a value limitation for all facilities and equipment installed for the Project, including; solar modules/panels, tracking equipment, racking and mounting structures, O&M building, substation, inverters boxes, combiner boxes, meteorological equipment, foundations, roadways, paving, fencing, collection system, generation transmission lines, interconnection facilities, energy storage enclosures containing batteries, energy storage cooling systems, SCADA systems, transformers, fire suppression systems and all necessary equipment for commercial generation of electricity. The batteries included in the Qualified Property will solely be used for the storage of electricity generated by this solar project.

*NOTE: The map in TAB 11 shows the potential locations of improvements within New Boston ISD boundaries; however, the final number of panels and inverters and the location of each of these facilities is dependent upon ongoing negotiations with power purchasers and other factors.



<u>Documentation to assist in determining if limitation is a determining factor.</u>

ENGIE North America, a division of ENGIE, manages a range of energy businesses throughout North America, including retail energy sales and energy services to commercial, industrial and residential customers, natural gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG) distribution and sales, and electricity generation and cogeneration. In 2015, ENGIE recorded \$77.6 billion in global revenues. More than 3,500 employees work in the region, with Houston serving as ENGIE North America's corporate headquarters.

ENGIE is one of the largest non-residential retail electricity suppliers in the United States and currently serves commercial, industrial, and institutional customers in 14 markets. Supplying energy to nearly 50 percent of Fortune 100 companies, ENGIE serves over 89,000 accounts, with an estimated peak load totaling nearly 13,000 MW.

In the United States and Canada, ENGIE owns and/or operates cogeneration, steam, and chilled water facilities, including more than 1,000 MW in the portfolio produced by combined heat and power (CHP) units located within commercial or industrial facilities and using waste heat from an onsite generation system to provide for heating and chilling needs. The North America renewables portfolio consists of wind, solar and biomass/biogas assets, with a capacity of close to 1,000 MW. In Canada, ENGIE is among the Top 5 wind developers, with assets in Ontario, the Maritimes and British Columbia.

As a developer with international scope and capabilities, the Applicant has the ability to locate projects of this type in other countries as well as in states within the United States and other regions within Texas with favorable wind characteristics. The Applicant is actively assessing and developing opportunities for this project in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Indiana, South Dakota and Colorado. With Texas wholesale electricity prices already below the international average, it is necessary to limit the property tax liabilities for a wind project in order to be able to offer electricity at prices that are marketable to Texas customers at competitive rates. Global markets that have various available subsidies for renewable energy projects, and which have higher average contracted power rates, offer an attractive incentive for developers to build projects in those markets over Texas.

The property tax liability of a project without tax incentives in Texas would reduce the return to investors and financiers to an unacceptable level at todays contracted power rates under a power purchase agreement (PPA). Therefore, the applicant would be unable to finance and build the project in Texas even with a signed PPA because of the low price in the PPA. Without the 313 Value Limitation, the applicant would be forced to walk away from this project and spend the potential investment in other states where the rate of return is higher.



Description of how project is located in more than one district, including list of percentage in each district and, if determined to be a single unified project, documentation from the Office of the Governor (if applicable)

Not applicable



Description of Qualified Investment

Red River Bend Solar, LLC plans to construct a 150 MW solar farm with attached battery storage in Bowie County.

This application covers all qualified property in the reinvestment zone and the project boundary within New Boston ISD necessary for the commercial operations of the proposed solar farm described in Tab 4. One hundred and fifty megawatts (150 MW) of generation and attached battery storage will be located in New Boston ISD. Panel placement is subject to change but for purposes of this application, the Project anticipates using approximately 400,000 PV modules or equivalent and inverters.

This application covers all qualified investment and qualified property necessary for the commercial operations of the solar farm and battery storage. The batteries included in the Qualified Property will solely be used for the storage of electricity generated by this solar project.

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Description of Land

Not Applicable



<u>Description of all property not eligible to become qualified property (if applicable)</u>

Not Applicable



Maps that clearly show:

- a) Project vicinity
- b) Qualified investment including location of new building or new improvements
- c) Qualified property including location of new building or new improvements
- d) Existing property
- e) Land location within vicinity map
- f) Reinvestment or Enterprise Zone within vicinity map, showing the actual or proposed boundaries and size

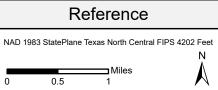


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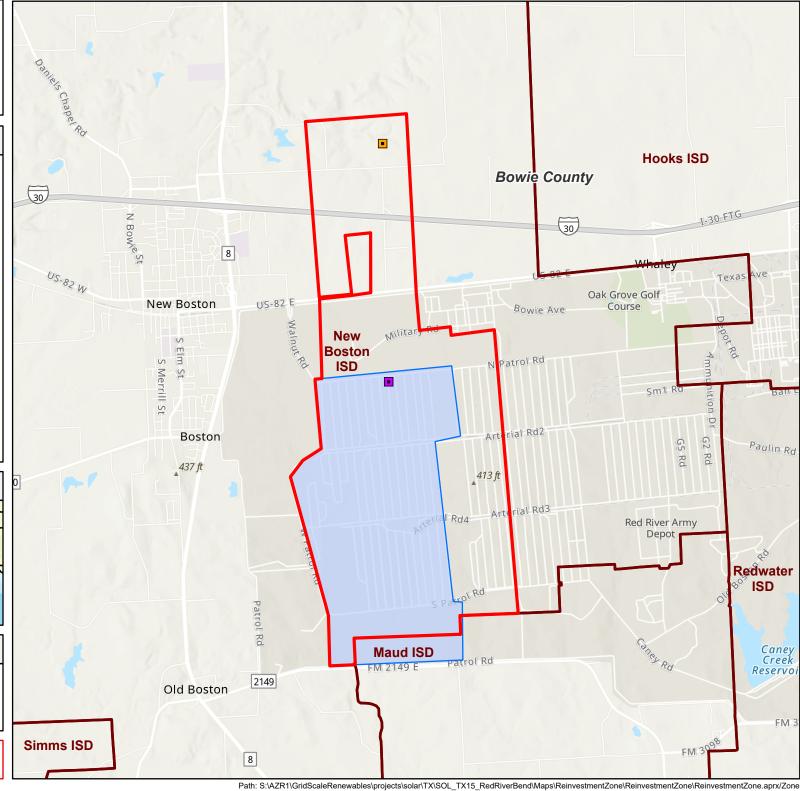
Legend

- POI Location
- Proposed Substation
- Project Boundary
 - Reinvestment Zone
- County Boundaries
 - School District Boundaries





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Request for Waiver of Job Creation Requirement and supporting information (if applicable)

See Attached



May 16, 2022

Brian Bobbitt Superintendent New Boston Independent School District 201 Rice St. New Boston, TX 75570

Re: Chapter 313 Jobs Waiver Request

Dear Superintendent Bobbitt,

Red River Bend Solar, LLC requests that the New Boston Independent School District's Board of Trustees waive the job requirement provision as allowed by Section 313.025(f-1) of the Tax Code. This waiver would be based on the school district's board findings that the jobs creation requirement exceeds the industry standard for the number of employees reasonably necessary for the operation of the facility of the property owner that is described in the application.

Red River Bend Solar, LLC requests that the Board of Trustees make such a finding and waive the job creation requirement for 10 permanent jobs. The solar energy industry standard for committed jobs is one job per 350MW. In line with these industry standards for solar project's job requirements, Red River Bend Solar, LLC, as a 150MW project, has committed to create one qualified job.

Solar projects create many full and part-time, but temporary jobs during the construction phase of the project. However, they require a relatively small number of highly skilled technicians to operate and maintain the project after commercial operation commences. The number of jobs committed to in this application is in line with the industry standards for a project this size. This is evidenced by previously filed limitation agreement applications by solar developers and by documentation related to the development and operation of solar electric generation facilities.

Sincerely,

Brandon Westlake

Partner

Cummings Westlake LLC



Calculation of three possible wage requirements with TWC documentation

- 1) Bowie County average weekly wage for all jobs (all industries)
- 2) Bowie County average weekly wage for all jobs (manufacturing)
- 3) See attached Council of Governments Regional Wage Calculation and Documentation

RED RIVER BEND SOLAR, LLC TAB 13 TO CHAPTER 313 APPLICATION

BOWIE COUNTY CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - ALL JOBS - ALL INDUSTRIES

| QUARTER | YEAR | AVG WEEKLY WAGES* | | ANNUALIZED | | |
|---------|---------|--------------------------|--------|------------|-----------|--|
| FIRST | 2021 | \$ | 800 | \$ | 41,600 | |
| SECOND | 2021 | \$ | 863 | \$ | 44,876 | |
| THIRD | 2021 | \$ | 864 | \$ | 44,928 | |
| FOURTH | 2021 | \$ | 981 | \$ | 51,012 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | AVERAGE | \$ | 877.00 | \$ | 45,604.00 | |

BOWIE COUNTY CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - MANUFACTURING JOBS

| QUARTER | YEAR | AVG WEEKI | Y WAGES* | ANNUALIZED |
|---------|---------|------------------|----------|-----------------|
| FIRST | 2021 | \$ | 851 | \$ 44,252 |
| SECOND | 2021 | \$ | 902 | \$ 46,904 |
| THIRD | 2021 | \$ | 893 | \$ 46,436 |
| FOURTH | 2021 | \$ | 1,101 | \$ 57,252 |
| | AVERAGE | \$ | 937 | \$ 48,711 |
| | X | | 110% | 110% |
| | | \$ | 1,030.43 | \$ 53,582.10 |

CHAPTER 313 WAGE CALCULATION - REGIONAL WAGE RATE

| | YEAR | AVG W | EEKLY WAGES* | ANNUALIZED |
|--------------|------|-------|--------------|-----------------|
| Ark-Tex Area | 2020 | \$ | 852 | \$ 44,299 |
| | | x | 110% | 110% |
| | | \$ | 937.09 | \$ 48,728.90 |

^{*} SEE ATTACHED TWC DOCUMENTATION

| Year | Period | Area | Ownership | Industry Code | Industry | Average Weekly Wage |
|------|--------|-------|-----------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 2021 | 01 | Bowie | Total All | 10 | Total, All Industries | 800 |
| 2021 | 02 | Bowie | Total All | 10 | Total, All Industries | 863 |
| 2021 | 03 | Bowie | Total All | 10 | Total, All Industries | 864 |
| 2021 | 04 | Bowie | Total All | 10 | Total, All Industries | 981 |

| Year | Period | Area | Ownership | Industry Code | Industry | Average Weekly Wage |
|------|--------|-------|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 2021 | 01 | Bowie | Private | 31-33 | Manufacturing | 851 |
| 2021 | 02 | Bowie | Private | 31-33 | Manufacturing | 902 |
| 2021 | 03 | Bowie | Private | 31-33 | Manufacturing | 893 |
| 2021 | 04 | Bowie | Private | 31-33 | Manufacturing | 1101 |
| | | | | | | |

2020 Manufacturing Average Wages by Council of Government Region Wages for All Occupations

| wages for All Occu | • | Wages | | |
|---|------------|---------|----------|--|
| COG | COG Number | Hourly | Annual | |
| Panhandle Regional Planning Commission | 1 | \$23.32 | \$48,501 | |
| South Plains Association of Governments | 2 | \$20.42 | \$42,473 | |
| NORTEX Regional Planning Commission | 3 | \$20.64 | \$42,928 | |
| North Central Texas Council of Governments | 4 | \$32.34 | \$67,261 | |
| Ark-Tex Council of Governments | 5 | \$21.30 | \$44,299 | |
| East Texas Council of Governments | 6 | \$29.28 | \$60,904 | |
| West Central Texas Council of Governments | 7 | \$21.54 | \$44,797 | |
| Rio Grande Council of Governments | 8 | \$19.02 | \$39,552 | |
| Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission | 9 | \$22.57 | \$46,945 | |
| Concho Valley Council of Governments | 10 | \$27.28 | \$56,739 | |
| Heart of Texas Council of Governments | 11 | \$23.41 | \$48,696 | |
| Capital Area Council of Governments | 12 | \$29.96 | \$62,326 | |
| Brazos Valley Council of Governments | 13 | \$18.41 | \$38,286 | |
| Deep East Texas Council of Governments | 14 | \$21.07 | \$43,829 | |
| South East Texas Regional Planning Commission | 15 | \$27.38 | \$56,957 | |
| Houston-Galveston Area Council | 16 | \$29.83 | \$62,050 | |
| Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission | 17 | \$22.09 | \$45,945 | |
| Alamo Area Council of Governments | 18 | \$27.45 | \$57,101 | |
| South Texas Development Council | 19 | \$19.20 | \$39,945 | |
| Coastal Bend Council of Governments | 20 | \$35.39 | \$73,603 | |
| Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council | 21 | \$20.70 | \$43,056 | |
| Texoma Council of Governments | 22 | \$19.18 | \$39,897 | |
| Central Texas Council of Governments | 23 | \$21.34 | \$44,390 | |
| Middle Rio Grande Development Council | 24 | \$22.98 | \$47,809 | |
| Texas | | \$28.00 | \$58,233 | |
| | | | | |

 $Calculated \ by \ the \ Texas \ Work force \ Commission \ Labor \ Market \ and \ Career \ Information \ Department.$

Data published: August 2021.

Data published annually, next update will likely be July 31, 2022

Annual Wage Figure assumes a 40-hour work week.

Note: Data is not supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Wage data is produced from Texas Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) data, and is not to be compared to BLS estimates. Data intended only for use implementing Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code.



Schedules A1, A2, B and C completed and signed Economic Impact (if applicable)

See attached Schedules A1, A2, B and C

Date 5/12/2022

Schedule A1: Total Investment for Economic Impact (through the Qualifying Time Period)

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ISD Name New Boston ISD PROPERTY INVESTMENT AMOUNTS (Estimated Investment in each year. Do not put cumulative totals.) Column A Column B Column C Column D Column E New investment made during this year in Tax Year Other new investment made during this year Other new investment made during this year New investment (original cost) in tangible buildings or permanent nonremovable Total Investment (Fill in actual tax that will not become Qualified Property personal property placed in service during this year that will become Qualified Property that may become Qualified Property components of buildings that will become (Sum of Columns A+B+C+D) School Year year below) [SEE NOTE] [SEE NOTE] Qualified Property Year (YYYY-YYYYY YYYY [The only other investment made before filing Investment made before filing complete Not eligible to become Qualified Property complete application with district that may application with district become Qualified Property is land.] Year preceding the first complete tax Investment made after filing complete year of the qualifying application with district, but before final board time period 0 0 0 0 0 approval of application (assuming no eferrals of qualifying time period) Investment made after final board approval of application and before Jan. 1 of first complete 2025 0 0 0 0 0 tax year of qualifying time period OTP1 2026-2027 2026 Ω 0 Ω Ω Ω Complete tax years of qualifying time period QTP2 2027-2028 2027 164,500,000 500,000 0 0 165,000,000 Total Investment through Qualifying Time Period [ENTER this row in Schedule A2] 164.500.000 500.000 0 0 165.000.000 Enter amounts from TOTAL row above in Schedule A2

For All Columns: List amount invested each year, not cumulative totals.

Column A: This represents the total dollar amount of planned investment in tangible personal property. Only include estimates of investment for "replacement" property if the property is specifically described in the application.

165,000,000

Only tangible personal property that is specifically described in the application can become qualified property.

Total Qualified Investment (sum of green cells)

- Column B: The total dollar amount of planned investment each year in buildings or nonremovable component of buildings.
- Column C: Dollar value of other investment that may affect economic impact and total value. Examples of other investment that will not become qualified property include investment meeting the definition of 313.021(1) but not creating a new improvement as defined by TAC 9.1051. This is proposed property that functionally replaces existing property; is used to maintain, refurbish, renovate, modify or upgrade existing property, or is affixed to existing property—described in SECTION 13, question #5 of the application.
- Column D: Dollar value of other investment that may affect economic impact and total value. Examples of other investment that may result in qualified property are land or professional services.
- Total Investment: Add together each cell in a column and enter the sum in the blue total investment row. Enter the data from this row into the first row in Schedule A2.

Qualified Investment: For the green qualified investment cell, enter the sum of all the green-shaded cells.

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ISD Name **New Boston ISD**

| PROPERTY INVESTMENT AMOUNTS | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------------------------|--|--|--|---|---|-------------------------------|--|
| (Estimated Investment in each year. Do not put cumulative totals.) | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Column A | Column B | Column C | Column D | Column E | |
| | Year | School Year (YYYY-YYYY) | Tax Year (Fill in actual tax year below) YYYY | New investment (original cost) in tangible personal property placed in service during this year that will become Qualified Property | New investment made during this year in buildings or permanent nonremovable components of buildings that will become Qualified Property | Other investment made during this year that will not become Qualified Property [SEE NOTE] | Other investment made during this year that will become Qualified Property {SEE NOTE] | Total Investment (A+B+C+D) | |
| Total Investment from Schedule A1* | | TOTALS FROM SCHEDULE A1 | | Enter amounts from TOTAL row in Schedule A1 in the row below | | | | | |
| | | | | 164,500,000 | 500,000 | 0 | 0 | 165,000,000 | |
| Each year prior to start of value limitation period** | 0 | 2026-2027 | 2026 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| nisen da inany rusa da recessary | 0 | 2027-2028 | 2027 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 1 | 2028-2029 | 2028 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 2 | 2029-2030 | 2029 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 3 | 2030-2031 | 2030 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 4 | 2031-2032 | 2031 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| VI P 9 P | 5 | 2032-2033 | 2032 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Value limitation period*** | 6 | 2033-2034 | 2033 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (| |
| | 7 | 2034-2035 | 2034 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 8 | 2035-2036 | 2035 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 9 | 2036-2037 | 2036 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 10 | 2037-2038 | 2037 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Tota | al Investment made | through limitation | 164,500,000 | 500,000 | 0 | 0 | 165,000,000 | |
| | 11 | 2038-2039 | 2038 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 12 | 2039-2040 | 2039 | | | 0 | | (| |
| Continue to maintain viable presence | 13 | 2040-2041 | 2040 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 14 | 2041-2042 | 2041 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 15 | 2042-2043 | 2042 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 16 | 2043-2044 | 2043 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 17 | 2044-2045 | 2044 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 18 | 2045-2046 | 2045 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 19 | 2046-2047 | 2046 | | | 0 | | (| |
| Additional years for 25 year economic impact as required by 313.026(c)(1) | 20 | 2047-2048 | 2047 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 21 22 | 2048-2049 2049-2050 | 2048 2049 | | | 0 | | (| |
| | 23 | 2049-2050 | 2049 | | | 0 | | | |
| | 24 | 2051-2052 | 2051 | | | 0 | | <u> </u> | |
| | 25 | 2052-2053 | 2052 | | | U | | <u>u</u> | |
| | | | | | | U | | U | |

* All investments made through the qualifying time period are captured and totaled on Schedule A1 [blue box] and incorporated into this schedule in the first row.

For All Columns: List amount invested each year, not cumulative totals. Only include investments in the remaining rows of Schedule A2 that were not captured on Schedule A1.

Column A: This represents the total dollar amount of planned investment in tangible personal property. Only include estimates of investment for "replacement" property if the property is specifically described in the application.

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Column D: Dollar value of other investment that may affect economic impact and total value. Examples of other investment that may result in qualified property are land or professional services.

^{**} Only investment made during deferrals of the start of the limitation (after the end of qualifying time period but before the start of the Value Limitation Period) should be included in the "year prior to start of value limitation period" row(s). If the limitation starts at the end of the qualifying time period or the qualifying time period overlaps the limitation, no investment should be included on this line.

^{***} If your qualifying time period will overlap your value limitation period, do not also include investment made during the qualifying time period in years 1 and/or 2 of the value limitation period, depending on the overlap. Only include investments/years that werenot captured on Schedule A1.

Schedule B: Estimated Market And Taxable Value (of Qualified Property Only)

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Date

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Qualified Property Estimated Taxable Value Estimated Total Market Value of tangible personal Tax Year **Estimated Total Market** property in the new Market Value less any **School Year** Estimated Market Value Final taxable value for (Fill in actual tax Value of new buildings or buildings or "in or on the exemptions (such as pollution Final taxable value for I&S (YYYY-YYYY) YYYY of Land other new improvements new improvements" control) and before limitation after all reductions M&O after all reductions Each year prior to start of 2026-2027 2026 Value Limitation Period 2027-2028 2027 Insert as many rows as necessary 2028-2029 2028 500,000 119,819,700 120,319,700 120,319,700 40,000,000 2029-2030 2029 487.500 110,218,680 110,706,180 110,706,180 40,000,000 2030-2031 2030 475,300 99,858,330 100,333,630 100,333,630 40,000,000 2031-2032 2031 463,400 88,661,430 89,124,830 89,124,830 40,000,000 2032-2033 2032 451,800 76,576,500 77,028,300 77,028,300 40,000,000 Value Limitation Period 2033-2034 2033 440.500 63,526,320 63,966,820 63,966,820 40,000,000 2034-2035 2034 429,500 49,433,670 49,863,170 49,863,170 40,000,000 2035-2036 2035 418,800 34,208,460 34,627,260 34,627,260 34,627,260 2036-2037 2036 408,300 25,740,000 26,148,300 26,148,300 26,148,300 10 2037-2038 2037 398,100 25,740,000 26,138,100 26,138,100 26,138,100 11 2038-2039 2038 388,100 25,740,000 26,128,100 26,128,100 26,128,100 12 2039-2040 2039 378,400 25,740,000 26,118,400 26,118,400 26,118,400 Continue to maintain viable 13 2040-2041 2040 368,900 25,740,000 26,108,900 26,108,900 26,108,900 presence 14 2041-2042 2041 359,700 25,740,000 26,099,700 26,099,700 26,099,700 2042-2043 2042 350,700 25,740,000 26,090,700 26,090,700 26,090,700 16 2043-2044 2043 341,900 25,740,000 26,081,900 26,081,900 26,081,900 17 2044-2045 2044 333,400 25,740,000 26,073,400 26,073,400 26,073,400 18 2045-2046 2045 325,100 25,740,000 26,065,100 26,065,100 26,065,100 19 2046-2047 2046 317,000 25,740,000 26,057,000 26,057,000 26,057,000 Additional years for 20 2047-2048 2047 309,100 25,740,000 26,049,100 26,049,100 26,049,100 year economic impact as 21 2048-2049 2048 required by 313.026(c)(1) 301,400 25,740,000 26,041,400 26,041,400 26,041,400 22 2049-2050 2049 293,900 26,033,900 25,740,000 26,033,900 26,033,900 23 2050-2051 2050 286,600 25,740,000 26,026,600 26,026,600 26,026,600 24 2051-2052 2051 279,400 25,740,000 26,019,400 26,019,400 26,019,400 25 2052-2053 2052 272,400 25,740,000 26,012,400 26,012,400 26,012,400

Notes: Market value in future years is good faith estimate of future taxable value for the purposes of property taxation.

Only include market value for eligible property on this schedule.

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| | | | | Const | ruction | Non-Qualifying Jobs | Qualifying Jobs | |
|--|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Column A | Column B | Column C | Column D | Column E |
| | Year | School Year (YYYY-YYYY) | Tax Year (Actual tax year) YYYY | Number of Construction FTE's or man-hours (specify) | Average annual wage rates for construction workers | Number of non-qualifying jobs applicant estimates it will create (cumulative) | Number of new qualifying jobs applicant commits to create meeting all criteria of Sec. 313.021(3) (cumulative) | Average annual wage of new qualifying jobs |
| Each year prior to start of Value Limitation Period Insert as many rows as necessary | 0 | 2026-2027 | 2026 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Each year prior to start of Value Limitation Period | 0 | 2027-2028 | 2027 | 250 FTE | 65,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 1 | 2028-2029 | 2028 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 2 | 2029-2030 | 2029 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 3 | 2030-2031 | 2030 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 4 | 2031-2032 | 2031 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| Value Limitation Period The qualifying time period could overlap the | 5 | 2032-2033 | 2032 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| value limitation period. | 6 | 2033-2034 | 2033 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 7 | 2034-2035 | 2034 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 8 | 2035-2036 | 2035 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 9 | 2036-2037 | 2036 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| | 10 | 2037-2038 | 2037 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |
| Years Following Value Limitation Period | 11 through 25 | 2038-2053 | 2038-2052 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 1 | 48,729.00 |

Notes: See TAC 9.1051 for definition of non-qualifying jobs.
Only include jobs on the project site in this school district.



Economic Impact Analysis, other payments made in the state or other economic information (if applicable)

None



TAB 16

Description of Reinvestment Zone or Enterprise Zone, including:

- a) Evidence that the area qualifies as an enterprise zone as defined by the Governor's office
- b) Legal description of reinvestment zone*
- c) Order, resolution, or ordinance established the reinvestment zone*
- d) <u>Guidelines and criteria for creating the zone*</u>

New Boston ISD to Create RZ:

See the attached New Boston ISD Board Policy CCGB(LEGAL) for Guidelines and Criteria.

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Tax Increment Financing Act

Board of Directors

Except as provided at Large Municipality below, each district that levies taxes on real property in a reinvestment zone designated by a county or municipality in accordance with the Tax Increment Financing Act, Tax Code Chapter 311, may appoint one member of the reinvestment zone board of directors if the district has approved the payment of all or part of the tax increment produced by the district into the tax increment fund for the zone. A district may waive its right to appoint a director. *Tax Code 311.009(a), (b)*

Large Municipality In a reinvestment zone designated by a municipality which is wholly or partially located in a county with a population of less than 1.8 million in which the principal municipality has a population of 1.1 million or more, each taxing unit that approves the payment of all or part of its tax increment into the tax increment fund is entitled to appoint a number of members to the board in proportion to the taxing unit's pro rata share of the total anticipated tax increment to be deposited into the tax increment fund during the term of the zone. Tax Code 311.0091(a)-(c)

Tax Increments

Amount

The amount of a district's tax increment for a year is the amount of property taxes levied and assessed by the district for that year on the captured appraised value of real property taxable by the district and located in a reinvestment zone or the amount of property taxes levied and collected by the district for that year on the captured appraised value of real property taxable by the district and located in a reinvestment zone. The board of the district shall determine which of the methods is used to calculate the amount of the district's tax increment.

"Captured Appraised Value" The captured appraised value of real property taxable by a district for a year is the total taxable value of all real property taxable by the district and located in a reinvestment zone for that year less the tax increment base of the district.

"Tax Increment Base"

The tax increment base of a district is the total taxable value of all real property taxable by the district and located in a reinvestment zone for the year in which the zone was designated under Tax Code Chapter 311.

Tax Code 311.012

Collection and Deposit

Each district that taxes real property located in a reinvestment zone shall provide for the collection of its taxes in the zone as for any other property taxed by the district. Each district shall pay into the tax increment fund for the zone an amount equal to the tax increment produced by the district, less the sum of:

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- Property taxes produced from the tax increments that are, by contract executed before the designation of the area as a reinvestment zone, required to be paid by the district to another political subdivision; and
- A portion, not to exceed 15 percent, of the tax increment produced by the district as provided by the reinvestment zone financing plan or a larger portion as provided at Agreement Required below.

Tax Code 311.013(a)–(b)

Notwithstanding any termination of the reinvestment zone and unless otherwise specified by an agreement between the district and the municipality or county that created the zone, a district shall make the required payment not later than the 90th day after the later of the delinquency date for district property taxes or the date the municipality or county that created the zone submits to the district an invoice specifying the tax increment produced by the district and the amount the district is required to pay into the tax increment fund for the zone. A district is not required to pay into a tax increment fund the applicable portion of a tax increment attributable to delinquent taxes until those taxes are collected. *Tax Code* 311.013(c), (i)

A district whose taxable value is reduced under Government Code 403.302(d)(4) (determination of district property values by the comptroller) shall pay into the tax increment fund, in addition to the amount otherwise required to be paid, an amount equal to the amount by which the amount of taxes the district would have been required to pay into the fund in the current year if the district levied taxes at the rate the district levied in 2005 exceeds the amount the district is otherwise required to pay into the fund in the year of the reduction. This additional amount may not exceed the amount the district receives in state aid for the current tax year under Education Code 48.253 (additional state aid for tax increment financing payments). The district shall pay the additional amount after the district receives the state aid to which the district is entitled for the current tax year under Education Code 48.253. *Tax Code* 311.013(n)

Agreement Required A district is not required to pay into the tax increment fund any of its tax increment produced from property located in a reinvestment zone designated under Tax Code 311.005(a) or in an area added to a reinvestment zone under Tax Code 311.007 unless the district enters into an agreement to do so with the governing body of the municipality or county that designated the zone. *Tax Code* 311.013(f)

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A district that participates in a zone is not required to increase the percentage or amount of the tax increment to be contributed by the district because of an amendment to the project plan or reinvestment zone financing plan for the zone unless the board by official action approves the amendment. *Tax Code 311.011(g)*

A district is not required to pay into the tax increment fund any of its tax increment produced from property located in an area added to the reinvestment zone under Tax Code 311.007(a) or (b) unless the board enters into an agreement to do so with the governing body of the municipality or county that created the zone. *Tax Code* 311.013(k)

If the governing body of the municipality or county that designated a reinvestment zone extends the term of all or a portion of the zone, a district is not required to participate in the zone or portion of the zone for the extended term unless the district enters into a written agreement to do so. *Tax Code 311.007(c)*

Notwithstanding the designation of a later termination date under Tax Code 311.017(a), a district that taxes real property located in the reinvestment zone is not required to pay any of its tax increment into the tax increment fund for the zone after the termination date designated in the ordinance or order creating the zone unless the board enters into an agreement to do so with the governing body of the municipality or county that created the zone. *Tax Code* 311.017(a-1)

Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act

On or after September 1, 2001, a school district may not enter into a tax abatement agreement under Tax Code Chapter 312. *Tax Code 312.002(f)*

Reinvestment Zone for Chapter 313

Notwithstanding any other provision of Tax Code Chapter 312 to the contrary, the board, in the manner required for official action and for purposes of Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter B or C [see Texas Economic Development Act below], may designate an area entirely within the territory of the district as a reinvestment zone if the board finds that, as a result of the designation and the granting of a limitation on appraised value, for property located in the reinvestment zone, the designation is reasonably likely to:

- Contribute to the expansion of primary employment in the reinvestment zone; or
- 2. Attract major investment in the reinvestment zone that would:
 - a. Be a benefit to property in the reinvestment zone and to the district; and

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b. Contribute to the economic development of the region of this state in which the district is located.

The board may seek the recommendation of the commissioners court of each county and the governing body of each municipality that has territory in the district before designating an area as a reinvestment zone.

Tax Code 312.0025

Texas Economic Development Act

In implementing the Texas Economic Development Act, Tax Code Chapter 313, districts should strictly interpret the criteria and selection guidelines provided by Chapter 313 and approve only those applications for an ad valorem tax benefit that:

- 1. Enhance the local community;
- 2. Improve the local public education system;
- Create high-paying jobs; and
- 4. Advance the economic development goals of Texas.

Tax Code 313.004(3)

Definitions Agreement

"Agreement" means the written agreement between the board and the approved applicant on the form adopted by reference in 34 Administrative Code 9.1052 (Forms) to implement a limitation on the appraised value for district maintenance and operations ad valorem property tax purposes on an entity's qualified property, required by Tax Code 313.027(d).

Agreement Holder

"Agreement holder" means an entity that has executed an agreement with a district.

Applicant

"Applicant" means an entity that has applied for a limitation on appraised value for district maintenance and operations ad valorem property tax purposes on the entity's property, as provided by Tax Code Chapter 313.

Application

"Application" means an application for limitation of appraised value for district maintenance and operations ad valorem property tax purposes on an entity's qualified property on the form adopted by reference in 34 Administrative Code 9.1052 (Forms), the schedules attached thereto, and the documentation submitted by an entity for the purpose of obtaining an agreement for a limitation on appraised value from a district.

Application Review Start Date

"Application review start date" means the later date of either the date on which the district issues its written notice that an applicant has submitted a completed application or the date on which the

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comptroller issues its written notice that an applicant has submitted a completed application.

Completed Application

"Completed application" means an application in the form and number and containing all the information required pursuant to 34 Administrative Code 9.1053 (Entity Requesting Agreement to Limit Appraised Value), that has been determined by the district and the comptroller to include all minimum requirements for consideration.

Entity

"Entity" means any entity upon which a tax is imposed by Tax Code 171.001, including a combined group as defined by Tax Code 171.0001(7) or members of a combined group, provided, however, an entity does not include a sole proprietorship, partnership, or limited liability partnership.

34 TAC 9.1051(1), (2), (3), (7), (10), (12), (20)

Qualified Investment

"Qualified investment" means:

- Tangible personal property that is first placed in service in this state during the applicable qualifying time period that begins on or after January 1, 2002, without regard to whether the property is affixed to or incorporated into real property, and that is:
 - a. Described as Section 1245 property by Section 1245(a), Internal Revenue Code of 1986;
 - b. Used in connection with the manufacturing, processing, or fabrication in a cleanroom environment of a semiconductor product, without regard to whether the property is actually located in the cleanroom environment, including integrated systems, fixtures, and piping; all property necessary or adapted to reduce contamination or to control airflow, temperature, humidity, chemical purity, or other environmental conditions or manufacturing tolerances; and production equipment and machinery, moveable cleanroom partitions, and cleanroom lighting;
 - c. Used in connection with the operation of a nuclear electric power generation facility, including property, including pressure vessels, pumps, turbines, generators, and condensers, used to produce nuclear electric power; and property and systems necessary to control radioactive contamination;
 - d. Used in connection with operating an integrated gasification combined cycle electric generation facility, including property used to produce electric power by means of a

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combined combustion turbine and steam turbine application using synthetic gas or another product produced by the gasification of coal or another carbon-based feedstock; or property used in handling materials to be used as feedstock for gasification or used in the gasification process to produce synthetic gas or another carbonbased feedstock for use in the production of electric power in the manner described herein;

- e. Used in connection with operating an advanced clean energy project, as defined by Health and Safety Code 382.003; or
- A building or a permanent, nonremovable component of a building that is built or constructed during the applicable qualifying time period that begins on or after January 1, 2002, and that houses tangible personal property described by items 1a—e above.

Tax Code 313.021(1)

Qualified Property

"Qualified property" means:

- 1. Land:
 - a. That is located in an area designated as a reinvestment zone under Tax Code Chapter 311 or 312 or as an enterprise zone under Government Code Chapter 2303;
 - On which a person proposes to construct a new building or erect or affix a new improvement that does not exist before the date the person submits a complete application for a limitation on appraised value under Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter B;
 - c. That is not subject to a tax abatement agreement entered into by a district under Tax Code Chapter 312; and
 - d. On which, in connection with the new building or new improvement described by item 1b above, the owner or lessee of, or the holder of another possessory interest in, the land proposes to:
 - Make a qualified investment in an amount equal to at least the minimum amount required by Tax Code 313.023; and
 - (2) Create at least 25 new qualifying jobs, except as provided at Exception below;

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- 2. The new building or other new improvement described by item 1b above; and
- 3. Tangible personal property:
 - a. That is not subject to a tax abatement agreement entered into by a district under Tax Code Chapter 312;
 - b. For which a sales and use tax refund is not claimed under Tax Code 151.3186; and
 - c. Except for new equipment described in Tax Code 151.318(q) or (q-1), that is first placed in service in the new building, in the newly expanded building, or in or on the new improvement described by item 1b above, or on the land on which that new building or new improvement is located, if the personal property is ancillary and necessary to the business conducted in that new building or in or on that new improvement.

Tax Code 313.021(2); see also 34 TAC 9.1051(16) (additional requirements for "Qualified Property")

Exception

For purposes of Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter C, applicable to certain rural districts, a property owner is required to create at least 10 qualifying jobs. *Tax Code 313.051(b)*

Qualifying Job

"Qualifying job" means a permanent full-time job that:

- 1. Requires at least 1,600 hours of work a year;
- 2. Is not transferred from one area in this state to another area in this state;
- 3. Is not created to replace a previous employee;
- 4. Is covered by a group health benefit plan for which the business offers to pay at least 80 percent of the premiums or other charges assessed for employee-only coverage under the plan, regardless of whether an employee may voluntarily waive the coverage; and
- 5. Pays at least 110 percent of the county average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the county where the job is located.

Tax Code 313.021(3); 34 TAC 9.1051(30)

To be eligible for a limitation on appraised value under Tax Code Chapter 313, the property owner must create the required number of new qualifying jobs and the average weekly wage for all jobs

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created that are not qualifying jobs must exceed the county average weekly wage for all jobs in the county where the jobs are located. *Tax Code 313.024(d)*

Waiver of New Jobs Creation Requirement Notwithstanding any other provision of Tax Code Chapter 313 to the contrary, the board may waive the new jobs creation requirement and approve an application if the board makes a finding that the jobs creation requirement exceeds the industry standard for the number of employees reasonably necessary for the operation of the facility of the property owner that is described in the application. *Tax Code 313.025(f-1)*

Qualifying Time Period

"Qualifying time period" means:

- 1. The period that begins on the date that a person's application for a limitation on appraised value under Tax Code Chapter 313 is approved by the board and ends on December 31 of the second tax year that begins after that date, except as provided by items 2 and 3 below or Tax Code 313.027(h);
- In connection with a nuclear electric power generation facility, the first seven tax years that begin on or after the third anniversary of the date the district approves the property owner's application for a limitation on appraised value, unless a shorter time period is agreed to by the board and the property owner: or
- 3. In connection with an advanced clean energy project, the first five tax years that begin on or after the third anniversary of the date the district approves the property owner's application for a limitation on appraised value, unless a shorter time period is agreed to by the board and the property owner.

Tax Code 313.021(4)

Substantive Document

"Substantive document" means a document or other information or data in electronic media determined by the comptroller to substantially involve or include information or data significant to an application, the evaluation or consideration of an application, or the agreement or implementation of an agreement for limitation of appraised value pursuant to Tax Code Chapter 313. The term includes, but is not limited to, any application requesting a limitation on appraised value and any amendments or supplements, any economic impact evaluation made in connection with an application, any agreement between applicant and the district and any subsequent amendments or assignments, any district written finding or report filed with the comptroller as required under 34 Administrative Code Chapter 9, Subchapter F; and any completed annual eligibility report (Form 50-772A) submitted to the comptroller. The term shall

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School District Categories

not include any employee names or other personal identifying information that is submitted to the comptroller. Positions can be described by job type, category, or general title. 34 TAC 9.1051(19)

For purposes of determining the required minimum amount of a qualified investment and the minimum amount of a limitation on appraised value, districts to which Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter B applies are categorized according to the taxable value of property in the district for the preceding tax year under Government Code Chapter 403, Subchapter M (comptroller's study of school district property values), as set out in Tax Code 313.022. *Tax Code* 313.022(b); 34 TAC 9.1058(d)

For purposes of determining the required minimum amount of a qualified investment and the minimum amount of a limitation on appraised value, districts to which Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter C applies are categorized according to the taxable value of industrial property in the district for the preceding tax year under Government Code Chapter 403, Subchapter M (comptroller's study of school district property values), as set out in Tax Code 313.052. *Tax Code 313.052; 34 TAC 9.1058(d)*

Minimum Amounts of Qualified Investment

For each category of district established by Tax Code 313.022, the minimum amount of a qualified investment is set out in Tax Code 313.023. *Tax Code 313.023*

For each category of district established by Tax Code 313.052, the minimum amount of a qualified investment is set out in Tax Code 313.053. *Tax Code 313.053*

Eligibility

Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapters B and C apply only to property owned by an entity subject to franchise tax (Tax Code Chapter 171). To be eligible for a limitation on appraised value, the entity must use the property for a purpose stated in Tax Code 313.024.

Exception for Wind-Powered Energy Device

An owner of a parcel of land that is located wholly or partly in a reinvestment zone, a new building constructed on the parcel of land, a new improvement erected or affixed on the parcel of land, or tangible personal property placed in service in the building or improvement or on the parcel of land may not receive a limitation on appraised value for the parcel of land, building, improvement, or tangible personal property under an agreement under Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter B that is entered into on or after September 1, 2017, if, on or after that date, a wind-powered energy device is installed or constructed on the same parcel of land at a location that is within 25 nautical miles of the boundaries of a military aviation facility located in this state. This prohibition applies regardless

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of whether the wind-powered energy device is installed or constructed at a location that is in the reinvestment zone.

Tax Code 313.024

Application for Limitation on Appraised Value

The owner or lessee of, or the holder of another possessory interest in, any qualified property may apply to the board for a limitation on the appraised value of the person's qualified property for district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes. An application must be made on the form prescribed by the comptroller, must include the information required by the comptroller, and must be accompanied by:

- 1. The application fee established by the board;
- Information sufficient to show that the real and personal property identified in the application as qualified property meets
 the applicable criteria established by Tax Code 313.021(2);
 and
- 3. Any information required by the comptroller for the purposes of Tax Code 313.026 (economic impact evaluation).

Tax Code 313.025(a)

Required Contents and Format

A completed application shall consist of, at a minimum, the items set forth in 34 Administrative Code 9.1053(a)(1) and shall be provided in the formats specified in 34 Administrative Code 9.1053(a)(2).

Optional Requests

An applicant may include in an application:

- 1. A request that the district waive the applicable requirement to create new jobs. In order for a completed application to include a job waiver request, the applicant shall submit the information specified in 34 Administrative Code 9.1053(b)(1); or
- 2. A request to begin the qualifying time period on a date that is after the date that the application is approved. In order for a completed application to include a qualifying time period deferral request, the applicant shall submit the information specified in 34 Administrative Code 9.1053(b)(2).

34 TAC 9.1053(a), (b)

Changes

At the request of the district or the comptroller, or with the prior approval of the district and the comptroller, the applicant may submit an application amendment or application supplement at any time after the submission of the initial application. In order to be considered as part of the application, the application amendment or supplement shall:

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- Be submitted in the same form or schedule and manner as the information was initially submitted or should have been initially submitted;
- 2. Include a date for the submission and a sequential number identifying the number of submissions made by the applicant;
- Have the signature of the authorized representative(s) by which the applicant confirms and attests to the truth and accuracy of the information submitted in the application amendment or supplement, as applicable, to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant and its representative(s); and
- Be submitted before the 120th day after the application was accepted by the district or within another time period as provided in writing by the comptroller.

34 TAC 9.1053(c)

If a district receives an amended application or a supplemental application from an applicant after the district has prepared or sent written notice that the applicant has submitted a completed application, the district shall either:

- Reject the amended application, supplemental application, or application, in whole or in part, and discontinue consideration of any submission by the applicant;
- 2. With the written concurrence of the comptroller, consider the completed application, as amended or supplemented, before the 151st day from the application review start date; or
- Review the documents submitted by the applicant, issue an amended written notice of a completed application, and present the amended application to the board in the manner and time period authorized by 34 Administrative Code 9.1054(c)(5).

34 TAC 9.1054(e) [See Acting on Completed Application, below]

Confidential Business Information Information provided to a district in connection with an application for a limitation on appraised value that describes the specific processes or business activities to be conducted or the specific tangible personal property to be located on real property covered by the application shall be segregated in the application from other information in the application and is confidential and not subject to public disclosure unless the board approves the application. Other information in the custody of a district or the comptroller in connection with the application, including information related to the economic impact of a project or the essential elements of eligibility

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under Tax Code Chapter 313, such as the nature and amount of the projected investment, employment, wages, and benefits, may not be considered confidential business information if the board agrees to consider the application. Information in the custody of a district or the comptroller if the board approves the application is not confidential under this provision. *Tax Code 313.028; 34 TAC 9.1055(a)(1)–(4)*

At the time that the applicant submits its application, application amendment, or application supplement, the applicant may request that all or parts of such document not be posted on the internet and not otherwise be publicly released. In order to make such request, the applicant shall:

- 1. Submit a written request that:
 - Specifically lists each document or portion of document and each entry in any form prescribed by the comptroller that the applicant contends is confidential; and
 - Identifies specific detailed reasons stating why the applicant believes each item listed should be considered confidential and identifies any relevant legal authority in support of the request;
- 2. Segregate the documents which are subject to the request from the other documents submitted with the application, application amendment, or application supplement that are not subject to the request; and
- 3. Adequately designate the documents subject to the request as "confidential."

34 TAC 9.1053(e)

Action on
Application
Initial Review

Within seven days of receipt of each document, the district shall submit to the comptroller a copy of the application and the proposed agreement between the applicant and the district. If the applicant submits an economic analysis of the proposed project, the district shall submit a copy of the analysis to the comptroller. In addition, the district shall submit to the comptroller any subsequent revision of or amendment to any of those documents within seven days of receipt. *Tax Code 313.025(a-1); 34 TAC 9.1054(b)*

Acting on Completed Application If the board by official action elects to consider an application and determines that the application received is a completed application, the district shall:

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- Provide written notice to the applicant and to the comptroller, with a copy to the appraisal district, that the district has received and will be considering a completed application. The notice shall include:
 - a. The date on which the application was received;
 - b. The date on which the board elected to consider the application; and
 - c. The date on which the district determined that applicant has submitted a completed application;
- 2. At the time the district provides notice of a completed application, deliver to the comptroller:
 - A copy of the completed application including all material required by 34 Administrative Code 9.1053(a), and if applicable (b), (Entity Requesting Agreement to Limit Appraised Value); and
 - b. A request to the comptroller to provide an economic impact evaluation;
- If the district maintains a generally accessible internet web site, provide a clear and conspicuous link on its web site to the internet web site maintained by the comptroller where substantive documents for the value limitation application for such district are posted;
- 4. On request of the comptroller, provide such written documents containing information requested by the comptroller as necessary for the consideration of a limitation on appraised value pursuant to Tax Code Chapter 313 within 20 days of the date of the request.

34 TAC 9.1054(c)(1)-(4)

Economic Impact Evaluation and Certification The board is not required to consider an application for a limitation on appraised value. If the board elects to consider an application, the board shall deliver a copy of the application to the comptroller and request that the comptroller conduct an economic impact evaluation of the proposed investment. The comptroller shall conduct or contract with a third person to conduct the economic impact evaluation, which shall be completed and provided to the board, along with the comptroller's certificate or written explanation of the decision not to issue a certificate, as soon as practicable but not later than the 90th day after the date the comptroller receives the application. The board shall provide to the comptroller or to a third

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person contracted by the comptroller to conduct the economic impact evaluation any requested information. The board shall provide a copy of the economic impact evaluation to the applicant on request. *Tax Code 313.025(b); 34 TAC 9.1055(d)*

Supplemental application information, amended application information, and additional information requested by the comptroller shall be promptly forwarded to the comptroller within 20 days of the date of the request. On request of the district or applicant, the comptroller may extend the deadline for providing additional information for a period of not more than ten working days. $34 \ TAC \ 9.1055(b)(1)(A)-(B)$

After receiving a copy of the application, the comptroller shall determine whether the property meets the requirements for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value. The comptroller shall notify the board of the comptroller's determination and provide the applicant an opportunity for a hearing before the determination becomes final. If the comptroller's determination becomes final, the comptroller is not required to provide an economic impact evaluation of the application or to submit a certificate for a limitation on appraised value of the property or a written explanation of the decision not to issue a certificate, and the board may not grant the application. *Tax Code 313.025(h), (i); 34 TAC 9.1055(b)(3), (c), (d), .1056*

Effect on Instructional Facilities The comptroller shall promptly deliver a copy of the application to the Texas Education Agency (TEA). TEA shall determine the effect that the applicant's proposal will have on the number or size of the district's instructional facilities and submit a written report containing TEA's determination to the district. The board shall provide any requested information to TEA. Not later than the 45th day after the date TEA receives the application, TEA shall make the required determination and submit the written report to the board. *Tax Code* 313.025(b-1)

Fees

The board by official action shall establish reasonable nonrefundable application fees to be paid by property owners who apply to the district for a limitation on the appraised value of the person's property. The amount of an application fee must be reasonable and may not exceed the estimated cost to the district of processing and acting on an application, including any cost to the district associated with the required economic impact evaluation. *Tax Code* 313.031(b); 34 TAC 9.1054(a)

The total fee shall be paid at the time the application is submitted to the district. Any fees not accompanying the original application shall be considered supplemental payments. 34 TAC 9.1054(a)

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The comptroller may charge the applicant a fee sufficient to cover the costs of providing the economic impact evaluation. *Tax Code* 313.025(b)

Supplemental Payments

A person and the district may not enter into an agreement under which the person agrees to provide supplemental payments to a district or any other entity on behalf of a district in an amount that exceeds an amount equal to the greater of \$100 per student per year in average daily attendance or \$50,000 per year, or for a period that exceeds the period beginning with the qualifying time period and ending December 31 of the third tax year after the date the person's eligibility for a limitation under Tax Code Chapter 313 expires. This limit does not apply to amounts described below at item 4 at Contents, Required and item 1 at Contents, Optional. *Tax Code 313.027(i)*

Approval

The board shall approve or disapprove an application not later than the 150th day after the date the application is filed, unless the economic impact evaluation has not been received or an extension is agreed to by the board and the applicant. *Tax Code 313.025(b)*

The board may extend the time period to approve a completed application required only if:

- 1. Either:
 - a. An economic impact analysis has not been submitted to the district by the comptroller; or
 - b. By agreement with the applicant; and
- 2. Notice of the extension is provided to the comptroller within seven days of the decision to provide the extension.

34 TAC 9.1054(d)

Before approving or disapproving an application that the board elects to consider, the board must make a written finding as to any criteria considered by the comptroller in conducting the economic impact evaluation under Tax Code 313.026. The board shall deliver a copy of those findings to the applicant.

The board may approve an application only if the board finds that the information in the application is true and correct, finds that the applicant is eligible for the limitation on the appraised value of the person's qualified property, and determines that granting the application is in the best interest of the district and this state.

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The board may not approve an application unless the comptroller submits to the board a certificate for a limitation on appraised value of the property.

Tax Code 313.025(d-1), (e), (f)

When presented a completed application for which the comptroller has submitted a certificate for a limitation, the board shall either:

- By majority vote adopt a written resolution approving the ap-1. plication which shall include:
 - Written findings:
 - (1) As to each criterion listed in 34 Administrative Code 9.1055(d)(3)(B)–(D) (Comptroller Application Review and Agreement to Limit Appraised Value);
 - (2) As to the criteria required by Tax Code 313.025(f-1) (waiver of new jobs creation requirement) if applicable:
 - (3) That the information in the application is true and correct; and
 - (4) That the applicant is eligible for the limitation on the appraised value of the entity's qualified property;
 - A determination that granting the application is in the b. best interest of the district and this state: and
 - Designate and direct a representative of the board to execute the agreement for property tax limitation presented by the approved applicant that complies with 34 Administrative Code Chapter 9, Subchapter F and Tax Code Chapter 313;
- 2. By majority vote disapprove the application; or
- 3. Take no official action and the application shall be considered disapproved on the 151st day after the application review start date.

34 TAC 9.1054(c)(5), (f)

In determining whether to approve an application, the board is entitled to request and receive assistance from the comptroller, the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office, the Texas Workforce Investment Council, and the Texas Workforce Commission. The Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office or its successor may recommend that a district approve an application under Tax Code Chapter 313. In determining whether to approve an

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application, the board shall consider any recommendation made by the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office or its successor. *Tax Code 313.025(c), (g)*

Continued Eligibility

In order to obtain and continue to receive a limitation on appraised value pursuant to Tax Code Chapter 313, an applicant shall:

- 1. Have a completed application approved by the board in compliance with 34 Administrative Code 9.1054(f) (School District Application Review and Agreement to Limit Appraised Value);
- 2. At least 30 days prior to the meeting at which the board is scheduled to consider the application, provide to the district and the comptroller a Texas Economic Development Act Agreement, as specified in 34 Administrative Code 9.1052(a)(6), with terms acceptable to the applicant;
- 3. If the applicant includes a combined group or members of the combined group, have the agreement executed by the authorized representative of each member of the combined group that owns a direct interest in property subject to the proposed agreement by which such members are jointly and severally liable for the performance of the stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement;
- Comply with all stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement for a limitation on appraised value executed with the district, 34 Administrative Code Chapter 9, Subchapter F, and Tax Code Chapter 313;
- 5. Be and remain in good standing under the laws of this state and maintain legal status as an entity;
- 6. Owe no delinquent taxes to the state:
- 7. Maintain eligibility for limitation on appraised value pursuant to Tax Code Chapter 313;
- 8. Provide to the district, the comptroller, and the appraisal district any change to information provided in the application, including but not limited to changes of the authorized representative(s); changes to the location and contact information for the approved applicant including all members of the combined group participating in the limitation agreement; and copies of any valid assignments of the agreement and contact information for authorized representative(s) of any assignees; and
- 9. Within 30 days after filing a completed application with the district, provide the comptroller with estimates of the gross tax

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benefit resulting from the requested limitation on appraised value for school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax and future revenues from the qualified property.

34 TAC 9.1053(f)

Agreement

No later than 20 business days after receiving an agreement for limitation on appraised value acceptable to an applicant, the comptroller:

- Shall review the agreement for compliance with Tax Code Chapter 313 and the applicable rules (34 Administrative Code 9.1051–.1060), and consistency with the application submitted to the comptroller and as amended or supplemented;
- 2. May amend or withdraw the comptroller certificate for a limitation if the comptroller determines that the agreement as submitted by the applicant does not comply with Tax Code Chapter 313 or the applicable rules or that the agreement contains provisions that are not consistent with or represents information significantly different from that presented in the application as submitted to the comptroller; and
- 3. Provide written notification to the district of the actions taken.

34 TAC 9.1055(e)

The board and the property owner shall enter into a written agreement for the implementation of the limitation on appraised value on the owner's qualified property. *Tax Code 313.027(d); 34 TAC 9.1054(g), .1060*

Limitation on Appraised Value

If the person's application is approved by the board, the appraised value for district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes of the person's qualified property as described in the agreement between the person and the district may not exceed the lesser of:

- 1. The market value of the property; or
- 2. Subject to the minimum limitation amount below, the amount agreed to by the board.

Minimum Limitation

The amount agreed to by the board must be an amount in accordance with Tax Code 313.027(b), according to the category to which the district belongs. [See School District Categories, above] A district, regardless of category, may agree to a greater amount.

Tax Code 313.027(a), (b), (c)

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For a district to which Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter C applies, the amount agreed to by the board must be an amount in accordance with Tax Code 313.054, according to the category to which the district belongs. [See School District Categories, above] A district, regardless of category, may agree to a greater amount. *Tax Code 313.054*

Contents Required

The agreement must:

- 1. Provide that the limitation applies for a period of ten years;
- 2. Specify the beginning date of the limitation, which must be January 1 of the first tax year that begins after the application date, the qualifying time period, or the date commercial operations begin at the site of the project:
- 3. Describe with specificity the qualified investment that the person will make on or in connection with the person's qualified property that is subject to the limitation; other property of the person that is not specifically described in the agreement is not subject to the limitation unless the board, by official action, provides that the other property is subject to the limitation;
- 4. Incorporate each relevant provision of Tax Code Chapter 313, Subchapter B, and, to the extent necessary, include provisions for the protection of future district revenues through the adjustment of the minimum valuations, the payment of revenue offsets, and other mechanisms agreed to by the property owner and the district;
- 5. Require the property owner to maintain a viable presence in the district for at least five years after the date the limitation on appraised value of the owner's property expires;
- Provide for the termination of the agreement, the recapture of ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the agreement if the owner of the property fails to comply with the terms of the agreement, and payment of a penalty or interest, or both, on that recaptured ad valorem tax revenue;
- 7. Specify the ad valorem tax years covered by the agreement;
- 8. Be in a form approved by the comptroller; and
- 9. Disclose any consideration promised in conjunction with the application and the limitation.

Tax Code 313.027(a-1), (e), (f), (j)

Optional The agreement may:

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- Provide that the property owner will protect the district in the event the district incurs extraordinary education-related expenses 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 attributable to the project.
- 2. Specify any conditions the occurrence of which will require the district and the property owner to renegotiate all or any part of the agreement.
- 3. Provide for a deferral of the date on which the qualifying time period for the project is to commence or, subsequent to the date the agreement is entered into, be amended to provide for such a deferral. The agreement may not provide for the deferral of the date on which the qualifying time period is to commence to a date later than January 1 of the fourth tax year that begins after the date the application is approved except that if the agreement is one of a series of agreements related to the same project, the agreement may provide for the deferral of the date on which the qualifying time period is to commence to a date not later than January 1 of the sixth tax year that begins after the date the application is approved.

Tax Code 313.027(f), (h)

If an agreement for limitation on appraised value includes a provision in which the qualifying time period starts more than one year after the date that the application is approved, no earlier than 180 days and no later than 90 days prior to the start of the deferred qualifying time period:

- 1. The district shall provide the comptroller:
 - a. Copies of any documents or other information received from the applicant; and
 - b. After reviewing documents and information provided by the applicant, either:
 - (1) A written acknowledgment of receiving the application amendment or supplement; or
 - (2) A statement that no such amendment or supplement has been submitted; and
- 2. If the comptroller provides:
 - a. A comptroller certificate for a limitation with conditions different from the existing agreement, the board shall

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- hold a meeting and determine whether to amend the agreement to include the conditions required by the comptroller or terminate the agreement; or
- A written explanation of the comptroller's decision not to re-issue a certificate, the district shall terminate the agreement.

34 TAC 9.1054(h), .1055(g)

Compliance and Enforcement

The district shall provide to the comptroller any documents that reasonably appear to be substantive documents, and, within seven days of executing the agreement, a copy of the executed agreement and any attachments thereto. The district shall provide a copy of the executed agreement to the appraisal district.

The district shall comply with and enforce the stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement for limitation of the appraised value, 34 Administrative Code Chapter 9, Subchapter F, and Tax Code Chapter 313. To determine and obtain compliance with each agreement, for each calendar year during the term of the agreement the district shall require the approved applicant to submit:

- 1. Either the information necessary to complete the annual eligibility report, or a completed annual eligibility report;
- A completed job creation compliance report (Form 50-825); and
- Any information required by the state auditor office or its designee.

34 TAC 9.1054(i)

Disclosure of Appraised Value Limitation Information If a district maintains a generally accessible internet website, the district shall maintain a link on its internet website to the area of the comptroller's internet website where information on each of the district's agreements to limit appraised value is maintained. *Tax Code* 313.0265(c)

Accessibility of Documents

Any documents submitted in an electronic format (including searchable pdfs) to the comptroller must comply with the accessibility standards and specifications described in 1 Administrative Code Chapters 206 and 213. 34 TAC 9.1055(a)(5)

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TAB 17

<u>Signature and Certification Page; signed and dated by Authorized School District Representative and Authorized Company Representative (applicant)</u>

See Attached

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts



SECTION 16: Authorized Signatures and Applicant Certification

After the application and schedules are complete, an authorized representative from the school district and the business should review the application documents and complete this authorization page. Attach the completed authorization page in Tab 17.

NOTE: If you amend your application, you will need to obtain new signatures and resubmit this page, Section 16, with the amendment request.

1. Authorized School District Representative Signature

I am the authorized representative for the school district to which this application is being submitted. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code.

| print here | Brian Bobbitt | Superintendent |
|---------------|--|-----------------|
| | Print Name (Authorized School District Representative) | Title |
| sign here | Signature (Authorized School District Representative) | 5/18/22 Date |

2. Authorized Company Representative (Applicant) Signature and Notarization

I am the authorized representative for the business entity for the purpose of filing this application. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code. The information contained in this application and schedules is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I hereby certify and affirm that the business entity I represent is in good standing under the laws of the state in which the business entity was organized and that no delinquent taxes are owed to the State of Texas.

| print, | Ben Lindermeier | Vice President |
|--------------|---|--|
| sign here | Print Name (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant)) Signature (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant)) | PJN S(13/2022 |
| | See Attached Ccrtificate | GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this, the |
| | MAY 1 3 2022 Acknowledgment Jurat Copy Certificate (Notary Seel) | Sandhya Chowhan-Pawar, Notary Public |
| | | Notary Public In and for the State of Texas My Commission expires: 03/2 1/202 3 |

if you make a false statement on this application, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under Texas Penal Code Section 37.10.

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Notary Public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

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County of Orange

On <u>May 131</u>, 2022 before me ___

Sandhya Chowhan-Pawar, Notary Public

, Notary Public, personally appeared

Ben Lindermeier

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(£) whose name(\$) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(\$) on the instrument the person(\$), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(\$) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of State, of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

SANDHYA CHOWHAN-PAWAR COMM...2282814 COMM...2282814 COMM ORANGE COUNTY My Term Exp. March 29, 2023

SIGNATURE

PLACE NOTARY SEAL ABOVE

Though the information below is not required by law, it may prove valuable to persons relying on the document and could prevent fraudulent removal and reattachment of this form to another document.

Description of attached document

Title or type of document: Application 313 Abatement