

Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency



Project Summary DRAFT

9/1/2022

1. Project	CVE USIS Manlius East, LLC	2. Project Number	3101-21-17B
3. Location	Manlius	4. School District	Fayetteville-Manlius School District
5. Tax Parcel(s)	099.-01-03.0	6. Project Type	Solar new construction

0

7.Total Project Cost	\$	16,500,000	8. Total Jobs	0
Land	\$	750,000	8A. Job Retention	0
Site Work	\$	4,500,000	8B: Job Creation	0
Building	\$		(Next 5 Years)	
Furniture & Fixtures	\$	-		
Equipment	\$			
Equipment Subject to NYS Production Exemption	\$	5,500,000		
Engineering/Architecture Fees	\$	450,000		
Financial Charges	\$	1,200,000		
Legal Fees	\$	100,000		
Other- Solar Installation Labor	\$	3,000,000		

Cost Benefit Analysis

CVE USIS Manlius East, LLC

Fiscal Impact (\$)

Abatement Cost	\$	771,375
Sales Tax	\$	660,000
Mortgage Tax	\$	111,375
Property Tax Relief (PILOT)	\$	-
New Investment	\$	16,391,500
PILOT Payments	\$	-
Project Wages (10 years)	\$	-
Construction Wages	\$	725,500
Employee Benefits (10 years)	\$	-
Project Capital Investment	\$	15,500,000
Agency Fees	\$	166,000

Project Description

CVE USIS Manlius West, LLC are proposing to construct a 5MW solar array on 36.7 acres of land in the Town of Manlius.

Benefit:Cost Ratio

21 :1

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ONONDAGA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS

1. Fill in all blanks using “none”, “not applicable” or “not available”. If you have any questions about the way to respond, please call the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency” or “OCIDA”) at 315-435-3770.
2. If providing an estimate put “(est.)” after the figure or answer. If more space is needed to answer any specific question, attach a separate sheet.
3. If the OCIDA Board approves benefits, it is the company’s responsibility to obtain and submit all necessary forms and documents.
4. When completed, return this Application by mail or fax to the Agency at the address indicated below. A signed application may also be submitted electronically in PDF format to Nancy Lowery at nancylowery@ongov.net. **An Application will not be considered by the Agency until the Application fee has been received.**
5. The Agency will not give final approval for this Application until the Agency receives a completed NYS Full Environmental Assessment Form concerning the project which is the subject of this Application. The form is available at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/6191.html>.
6. Please note the Public Officers Law declares all records in the possession of the OCIDA (with certain limited exceptions) are open to public inspection and copying. If the Applicant is of the opinion that there are elements of the project which are in the nature of trade secrets which, if disclosed to the public or otherwise widely disseminated, would cause substantial injury to the Applicant’s competitive position, this Applicant must identify such elements in writing and request that such elements be kept confidential. In accordance with Article 6 of the Public Officer’s Law, the OCIDA may also redact personal, private, and/or proprietary information from publicly disseminated documents.
7. The Applicant will be required to pay the Agency Application fee and, if accepted as a project of the Agency, all administrative and legal fees as stated in Section VI of the Application.
8. A complete Application consists of the following 9 items:
 - This Application
 - Local Access Agreement
 - Employment Plan
 - Conflict of Interest
 - A feasibility statement indicating the need for the requested benefits
 - Description of Project, Site Plans/Sketches, and Maps
 - NYS Full Environmental Assessment Form
 - A check payable to the Agency in the amount of \$1,000
 - A check payable to Barclay Damon LLP in the amount of \$2,500
9. This Application was adopted by the OCIDA Board on September 14, 2021.

It is the policy of the Agency that any project receiving benefits from the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency will utilize 100% local contractors and local labor for the construction period of the project unless a waiver is granted in writing by the Agency.

Return to:

Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency
Attn: Nancy Lowery
333 W. Washington Street, Suite 130
Syracuse, NY 13202
Phone: 315-435-3770 | Fax: 315-435-3669
nancylowery@ongov.net

Section I: Applicant Information

Please answer all questions. Use “None”, “Not Applicable” and “See Attached” where necessary.

Submittal Date: _____

A) Applicant/Project Operator information (company receiving benefits):

Applicant/Project Operator: _____

Applicant/ Project Operator Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Website: _____ E-mail: _____

Federal ID#: _____ NAICS: _____

State and Year of Incorporation/Organization: _____

Owner (if different from Applicant/Project Owner): _____

Owner Address: _____

Federal ID#: _____

State and Year of Incorporation/Organization: _____

List of stockholders, members, or partners of Owner:

B) Individual Completing Application:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

C) Company Contact (if different from individual completing application):

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

D) Company Counsel:

Name of Attorney: _____

Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

E) Business Organization (check appropriate category):

☐ Corporation

☐ Partnership

☐ Public Corporation

☐ Joint Venture

☐ Sole Proprietorship

☐ Limited Liability Company

☐ Other (please specify): _____

Year Established: _____

State in which Organization is established: _____

F) List all stockholders, members, or partners with % of ownership greater than 5%:

Name

% of ownership

G) Applicant Business Description:

Please attach a description of your Company's background, products, customers, goods and services.

Estimated % of sales within Onondaga County: _____

Estimated % of sales outside Onondaga County but within New York State: _____

Estimated % of sales outside New York State but within the U.S.: _____

Estimated % of sales outside the U.S.: _____

(*Percentage to equal 100%)

H) Applicant History: If the answer to any of the following is "Yes", please explain below. If necessary, attach additional information.

1. Is the company or management of the Company now a plaintiff or defendant in any civil or criminal litigation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Has any person listed above ever been convicted of a criminal offense (other than a minor traffic violation)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. Has any person listed in Section I ever been in receivership or declared bankruptcy? Please attach any explanations. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I) Has the Project Beneficiary received assistance from OCIDA, Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (SIDA), New York State or the Onondaga Civic Development Corporation (OCDC) in the past? If yes please attach an explanation and please give year, project name, and description of benefits and address of project.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Section II: Project and Site Information

A) Project Location: Location where the investment will take place. If Company is moving, the new location should be entered here and the current location should be in Section I.

Address: _____

Legal Address (if different): _____

City: _____ Village/Town: _____

Zip Code: _____ School District: _____

Tax Map Parcel ID(s): _____

Current Assessed Value: _____ Footage of Existing Building: _____

Census Tract: _____

B) Type (Check all that apply):

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ New construction | ☐ Purchase of machinery and/or equipment |
| ☐ Expansion/Addition to current facilities | ☐ Brownfield/Remediated Brownfield |
| ☐ Renovation of existing facility | ☐ LEED Certification |
| ☐ Housing Project | ☐ Demolition and Construction |
| ☐ Renewable Energy Project | ☐ Acquisition of existing facility/property |
| ☐ Retail | ☐ Other: |

C) Project Narrative: A statement that there is a likelihood that the project would not be undertaken but for the financial assistance provided by the Agency or, if the project could be undertaken without financial assistance provided by the Agency, a statement indicating why the project should be undertaken by the agency.

* For a Retail Project (also see page 14)

* For a Renewable Energy Project (also see page 15)

* For a Housing Project (also see page 17)

D) Description of Project: Please provide a detailed narrative of the proposed Project. Please separately attach the description and any copies of site plans, sketches or maps. This narrative should include, but is not limited to:

- ☐ (i) the size of the Project in square feet and a breakdown of square footage per each intended use;
- ☐ (ii) the size of the lot upon which the Project sits or is to be constructed;
- ☐ (iii) the current use of the site and the intended use of the site upon completion of the Project;

- ☐ (iv) the principal products to be produced and/or the principal activities that will occur on the Project site;
- ☐ (v) please describe your method for site control (Own, lease, other).

E) Select Project type for all end users at Project site (you may check more than one):

**Please check any and all end users as identified below

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ Industrial | ☐ Bank Office |
| ☐ Acquisition of Existing Facility | ☐ Retail (see page 14) |
| ☐ Housing Project (see page 17) | ☐ Mixed Use |
| ☐ Equipment Purchase | ☐ Facility for Aging |
| ☐ Multi-Use Tenant | ☐ Civic Facility (not for profit) |
| ☐ Renewable Energy Project (see page 15) | ☐ Other _____ |
| ☐ Commercial | |

F) If applicant will not occupy 100% of the building in a real estate transaction, provide information on tenant(s) that includes name, present address, and percentage of project to be leased, type of business organization, relationship to applicant, date and term of lease.

G) For the Agency to consider this Project, please provide the following information:

1. Does the Project consist of new construction or expansion or substantial renovation of an existing facility?
☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Will the Project create new employment opportunities or retain existing jobs that may otherwise be lost?
☐ Yes ☐ No
3. Does the Project beneficiary serve a customer base primarily outside of Onondaga County?
☐ Yes ☐ No

H) Will the completion of the Project result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the company from one area of the state to another area of the state OR in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the company located within the state? Please explain if you answer "Yes" by attaching a response.

☐ Yes ☐ No

I) Please attach a description of any compelling circumstances the Agency should be aware of while reviewing this application.

J) Local Approvals (Site Plan and Environmental Review)

1. Have site plans been submitted to the appropriate town or local planning department?

☐ Yes. What is the status? ☐ No. When will the plans be submitted?

2. Has the project received site plan approval from the town or local planning board?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3. If no, what is the anticipated approval date? _____

4. If yes, provide the Agency with a copy of the Planning Board's approval resolution along with the related SEQR determination. (NOTE: SEQR determination is required for final approval and sales tax agency appointment.)

5. Environmental Information

a. Please attach the appropriate Environmental Impact Forms to your application. Here is a link to the SEQR forms: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/6191.html>

b. Have any environmental issues been identified on the property?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach an explanation.

Section III: Construction

A) Project Costs and Finances

Description of Costs	Total Budget Amount	% of Total Budget to be Procured in Onondaga County	Total Private Expenditure (should be less than or equal to total budget amount)
Land Acquisition			
Site Work/Demo			
Building Construction & Renovation			
Furniture & Fixtures			
Equipment			
Engineering/Architect			
Financial Charges			
Legal			
Other			
Management/Developer Fees			
Total Project Cost			

Note: Do not include OCIDA fees, OCIDA application fees or OCIDA legal fees as part of the Total Project Cost. You may attach a separate chart if needed.

B) TOTAL Capital Costs \$ _____

Project refinancing: estimated amount
(for refinancing of existing debt only) \$ _____

Sources of Funds for Project Costs:

1. Bank Financing \$ _____
2. Equity (excluding equity that is attributed to grants/tax credits) \$ _____
3. Tax Exempt Bond Issuance (if applicable) \$ _____
4. Taxable Bond Issuance (if applicable) \$ _____

5. Public Sources (Include sum total of all state and federal grants and tax credits) \$ _____

-Identify each state and federal grant/credit:

_____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

6. Total Sources of Funds for Project Costs \$ _____

C) Employment and Payroll Information

*Full Time Equivalent (FTE) is defined as one employee working no less than 40 hours per week or two or more employees together working a total of 40 hours per week.

1. Are there people currently employed at the project site?
☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide number of FTE jobs at the facility: _____

2. Complete the following:

Estimate the number of FTE jobs to be retained as a result of this Project:	
Estimate the number of construction jobs to be created by this Project:	
Estimate the average length of construction jobs to be created (months):	
Current annual payroll at facility:	
Please list, if any, benefits that will be available to either full and/or part time employees:	
Average annual benefit paid by the company (\$ or % salary) per FTE job:	
Amount or percent of wage employees pay for benefits:	
Provide an estimate of the number of residents in the Economic Development Region (Onondaga, Madison, Cayuga, Oneida, Oswego, and Cortland Counties) to fill new FTE jobs:	

D) New Employment Benefits

- i. Complete the following chart indicating the number of FTE jobs presently employed at the Project and the number of FTE jobs that will be created at the Project site at the end of the first, second, and third, years after the Project is completed. Jobs should be listed by title of category (see below), including FTE independent contractors or employees of independent contractors that work at the Project location. Do not include construction workers.
- ii. Feel free to include additional information or a substitute chart if you think additional material would add clarity.

Please use this chart to illustrate the current employment:

Job Title/Category	Current Annual Pay	Current Employment (FTE)

Please use this chart to illustrate the projected employment growth:

Job Title/Category	Current Annual Pay	Jobs Created Year 1	Jobs Created Year 2	Jobs Created Year 3

If you prefer, you may attach a job chart of your own that outlines the job growth projections regarding the Project.

E) Financial Assistance sought (estimated values):

- ☐ Real Property Tax Abatement (PILOT): _____
- ☐ Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption (.75% of amount mortgaged): _____
- ☐ Sales and Use Tax Exemption (4% Local, 4% State): _____
- ☐ Tax Exempt Bond Financing (Amount Requested): _____
- ☐ Taxable Bond Financing (Amount Requested): _____

F) Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption Benefit Calculator: Amount of mortgage that would be subject to mortgage recording tax:

Mortgage Amount (include sum total of construction/permanent/
bridge financing): \$ _____

Estimated Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption Benefit (product of
mortgage amount as indicated above, multiplied by .0075): \$ _____

G) Sales and Use Tax Benefit Calculator: Gross amount of costs for goods and services that are subject to State and local Sales and Use Tax – said amount to benefit from the Agency’s Sales and Use Tax exemption benefit:

\$ _____

Estimated State and local Sales and Use Tax Benefit (product of 8% multiplied by the figure, above) (This should match the amount in section “E” on page 9, this calculation only exists to help you with your estimate):

\$ _____

Section IV: Estimate of Real Property Tax Abatement Benefits

Section IV of this Application will be: (i) completed by IDA Staff based upon information contained within the Application, and (ii) provided to the Applicant for ultimate inclusion as part of this completed Application prior to the completed application being provided to the OCIDA Board.

A) PILOTS Estimate Table Worksheet

OCIDA estimate of current value	
New construction and renovation costs	
OCIDA estimate of increase in value	
OCIDA estimated value of completed project	
OCIDA estimate of taxes that would have been collected if the project did not occur	
Scheduled PILOT payments	

PILOT Year	Exemption %	County PILOT Amount	Local PILOT Amount	School PILOT Amount	Total PILOT	Full Tax Payment w/o PILOT	Net Exemption
1	100						
2	90						
3	80						
4	70						
5	60						
6	50						
7	40						
8	30						
9	20						
10	10						
TOTAL							

Estimates provided are based on current property tax rates and assessment value (current as of date of application submission) and have been calculated by IDA staff.

SECTION: V For Retail Projects Only

1. Will the cost of the retail portion of the Project exceed one-third of the total project cost?
☐Yes ☐No
2. Is the Project located in a distressed area? A distressed area is a census tract that has
a) a poverty rate of a least 20% or at least 20% of households receiving public assistance, and (b) an unemployment rate of least 1.25 times the statewide unemployment rate for the year to which the date relates.
☐Yes ☐No
3. Is the Project likely to attract a significant number of visitors from outside of the economic development region?
☐Yes ☐No
4. Is the predominate purpose of the Project to make available goods or services which would not, but for the Project, be reasonably accessible to the residents of the Town, City, County or Village of where the Project will be located.
☐Yes ☐No

SECTION VI: For Solar Projects Only

Please complete the following as an addendum:

1. Describe the reasons why the Agency's financial assistance is necessary. Describe how the Project would be affected if these benefits were not provided. [see Section II (C)]
2. Is the applicant leasing the property?
 - ☐ Yes, please provide a copy of the lease
 - ☐ No, purchased the property. Please provide documentation.
3. Has the applicant provided written communication to the affected taxing jurisdictions notifying them of its intent to construct a renewable energy project?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
4. Has the applicant received a letter of support for the megawatt cost to be used as a basis for the PILOT from the town, city or village where the Project is located?
 - ☐ Yes. Please provide copy.
 - ☐ No
5. Has the applicant received a letter of support for the megawatt cost to be used as a basis for PILOT from the school district?
 - ☐ Yes. Please provide copy.
 - ☐ No
6. Is the entire parcel being used for the solar project?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No, if not, have you reached out to the town assessor to discuss a subdivision or slash parcel? Explain: _____
7. Will the applicant enter into a decommissioning plan with the host community, including financial assurance the plan can be executed?
 - ☐ Yes, explain.
 - ☐ No

**PLEASE SEE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR OCIDA SOLAR BEST PRACTICES*

OCIDA SOLAR PILOTs GUIDANCE AND BEST PRACTICE

To be placed on the OCIDA meeting agenda, proposed solar projects must provide OCIDA with the following in advance of the Project's first OCIDA meeting:

1. Fully completed OCIDA application.
2. Copy of Environmental Assessment Form.
3. A SEQR resolution approved by a local municipality indicating municipality will be lead agency, the type of action (I, II, or unlisted) and, if completed, the SEQR determination made by the municipality.
4. Copies of your zoning applications submitted to the local municipality.
5. Verification of parcel subdivision process with the town (if the entire parcel will not be used for the solar project).
6. A statement clarifying whether the applicant will lease or purchase the real property on which the Project is situated. If leased, provide a copy of the proposed or executed lease. If lease parcel is less than entire parcel then see 5 above.
7. A supporting document from the School District and the Town Board outlining the agreed upon cost per megawatt to be used as a basis for the PILOT. OCIDA cannot create the PILOT schedule without this information.

You will receive a draft Cost Benefit Analysis and a Draft PILOT schedule from this office. You may use these documents as your Project progresses through the OCIDA approval process. OCIDA staff are available to update these two documents as needed.

SECTION VII: For Housing Projects Only

Please complete the following as an addendum:

1. Describe the reasons why the Agency's financial assistance is necessary. Describe how the project would be impacted if these benefits were not provided. [see Section II (C)]
2. Is the Project being built in a blighted area? Please describe.
3. Is the Project fulfilling an unmet need in the area? Please explain.
4. Please provide a market study documenting a need for such housing.
5. Is there support from local government officials for the Project and for the financial assistance being requested from the Agency? Please provide written documentation.
6. Is the Project considered infill in a populated area? Please explain.
7. Does the Project provide walkability?
8. Is there additional county infrastructure necessary to service the Project? If, yes, please explain.
9. Is the Project part of a larger mixed-use development? Please describe.

Section VIII: Local Access Policy Agreement

In absence of a waiver permitting otherwise, every project seeking the assistance of the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (Agency) must use local general contractors, sub-contractors, and labor for one-hundred percent (100%) of the construction of new, expanded, or renovated facilities. The project's construction or project manager need not be a local company.

Noncompliance may result in the revocation and/or recapture of all benefits extended to the project by the Agency. Local Labor is defined as laborers permanently residing in the State of New York counties of Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Jefferson, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Tompkins, and Wayne. Local (General/Sub) Contractor is defined as a contractor operating a permanent office in the State of New York counties of Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Jefferson, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Tompkins and Wayne. The Agency may determine on a case-by-case basis to waive the Local Access Policy for a project or for a portion of a project where consideration of warranty issues, necessity of specialized skills, significant cost differentials between local and non-local services or other compelling circumstances exist. The procedure to address a local labor waiver can be found in the OCIDA handbook, which is available upon request.

Prior to issuance of any NYS Tax & Finance ST-60 forms, the Applicant must submit a **Contractor Status Report to the Agency.**

In consideration of the extension of financial assistance by the Agency CVE US EI5 Manlius East LLC (the Company) understands the Local Access Policy and agrees to complete Appendix C of the Agency's application at the time of the application to the Agency and as part of a request to extend the valid date of the Agency's tax-exempt certificate for the Project. The Company understands that an Agency tax-exempt certificate is typically valid for 12 months from the effective date of the project inducement and extended thereafter upon request by the Company. The Company further understands that any request for a waiver to this policy must be submitted in writing and approved by the Agency.

I agree to the conditions of this agreement and certify all information provided regarding the construction and employment activities for the project as of 01/03/22 (date).

Company: CVE US EI5 Manlius East LLC

Representative for Contract: David Froelich

Address: 109 W 27th St City: New York State: NY Zip: 10001

Phone: 914-847-0043 Email: david.froelich@cvegroup.com

Project Address: 8109 East Seneca Turnpike City: Manlius State: NY Zip: 13104

General Contractor: TBD

Contact Person: TBD

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Authorized Representative: David Froelich Title: Director of Business Development

Signature: 

Section IX: Agency Fee Schedule

- * Minimum Fee to be applied to all project receiving OCIDA benefits is 1% of the Total Project Cost (TPC)

ACTIVITY	FEES	COMMENTS
Non- refundable Application Fee	\$1,000	Due at time of application
Legal Deposit	\$2,500	Due at time of application
Minimum Fee of 1% of TPC		
1. Sales and Use Tax Exemption	.01 X TPC	Due at closing
2. Mortgage Recording Tax		
3. PILOT is an additional fee	.0025 X TPC (total .0125)	
Bonds		Due at closing
Bond refinancing and refunding	.0025 of TPC	
Agency Legal Fees		
Fee for first \$20 million	.0025 X of the project cost or bond amount	Due at closing
Fee for expenses above \$20 million	.00125 X of project cost or bond amount	

OCIDA reserves the right to modify this schedule at any time and assess fees and charges in connection with other transactions such as grants of easement or lease or sale of OCIDA-owned property.

Information to be Provided by Companies: Each Company agrees that to receive benefits from the Agency it must, whenever requested by the Agency or required under applicable statutes or project documents, provide and certify or cause to be provided and certified such information concerning the Company, its finances, its employees and other topics which shall, from time to time, be necessary or appropriate, including but not limited to, such information as to enable the Agency to make any reports required by law or governmental regulation.

Please refer to the OCIDA Uniform Tax Exemption Policy. (add hyperlink)

I have read the foregoing and agree to comply with all the terms and conditions contained therein as well as policies of the Onondaga County Industrial Agency.

Name of Applicant Company

CVE US EI5 Manlius East, LLC

Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:



Name & Title of Officer or Authorized Representative:

David Froelich, Director, Business Development

Date: 01/03/22

Section XI: Conflict of Interest

Agency Board Members

1. Patrick Hogan, Chairperson
2. Janice Herzog, Vice Chairperson
3. Steve Morgan, Director
4. Victor Ianno, Director
5. Sue Stanczyk, Director
6. Kevin Ryan, Director
7. Fanny Villarreal, Director

Agency Officers/Staff

1. Robert M. Petrovich, Executive Director
2. Nathaniel Stevens, Treasurer
3. Nancy Lowery, Secretary
4. Karen Doster, Recording Secretary
5. Christopher Cox, Assistant Treasurer

Agency Legal Counsel & Auditor

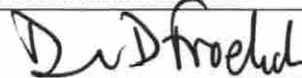
1. Jeffrey Davis, Esq., Barclay Damon LLP
2. Amanda Fitzgerald, Esq., Barclay Damon LLP
3. Michael G. Lisson, CPA, Grossman St. Amour Certified Public Accountants PLLC

The Applicant has received from the Agency a list of members, officers and staff of the Agency. To the best of my knowledge, no member, officer or employee of the Agency has an interest, whether direct or indirect, in any transaction contemplated by this Application, except as hereinafter described:

Name of Applicant Company

CVE US EI5 Manlius East, LLC

Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:



Name & Title of Officer or Authorized Representative:

David Froelich, Director, Business Development

Date: 01/03/22

Section XII: Representations, Certifications, and Indemnification

_____ (Name of CEO or other authorized representative of Applicant) confirms and says that he/she is the _____ (title) of _____ (name of corporation or other entity) named in the attached Application (the “Applicant”), that he/she has read the foregoing Application and knows the contents thereof, and hereby represents, understands, and otherwise agrees with the Agency and as follows:

- A. First Consideration for Employment:** In accordance with §858-b (2) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Applicant understands and agrees that if the Project receives any Financial Assistance from the Agency, except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining agreements, where practicable, the Applicant will first consider persons eligible to participate in WIA programs who shall be referred by the CNY Works for new employment opportunities created as a result of the Project.
- B. Other NYS Facilities:** In accordance with §862 (1) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Applicant understands and agrees that projects which will result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant within the state is ineligible for Agency Financial Assistance, unless otherwise approved by the Agency as reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the project in its respective industry or is reasonably necessary.
- C. Annual Sales Tax Filings:** In accordance with §874(8) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Applicant understands and agrees that if the Project receives any sales tax exemptions as part of the Financial Assistance from the Agency, the Applicant agrees to file, or cause to be filed, with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, the annual form prescribed by the Department of Taxation and Finance, describing the value of all sales tax exemptions claimed by the Applicant and all consultants or subcontractors retained by the Applicant.
- D. Outstanding Bonds:** The Applicant understands and agrees to provide on an annual basis any information regarding bonds, if any, issued by the Agency for the project that is requested by the Comptroller of the State of New York.
- E. Employment Reports:** The Applicant understands and agrees that, if the Project receives any financial assistance from the Agency, the Applicant agrees to file with the Agency, at least annually or as otherwise required by the Agency, reports regarding the number of people employed at the project site, salary levels, contractor utilization and such other information (collectively, “Employment Reports”) that may be required from time to time on such appropriate forms as designated by the Agency. Failure to provide Employment Reports within 30 days of an Agency request shall be an Event of Default under the PILOT Agreement between the Agency and Applicant and, if applicable, an Event of Default under the Agent Agreement between the Agency and Applicant. In addition, a Notice of Failure to provide the Agency with an Employment Report may be reported to Agency board members, with said report being an agenda item subject to the open meetings law.

- F. Absence of Conflicts of Interest:** The Applicant has received from the Agency a list of the members, officers and employees of the Agency. No member, officer or employee of the Agency has an interest, whether direct or indirect in any transaction contemplated by this Application, except as hereinafter described in Section X.
- G. Compliance:** The Applicant understands and agrees that it is in substantial compliance with applicable local, state, and federal tax, worker protection, and environmental laws, rules, and regulations.
- H.** The Applicant understands and agrees that the provisions of Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law, as provided below, will not be violated if financial assistance is provided for the proposed Project:
- § 862. Restrictions on funds of the Agency. (1) No funds of the Agency shall be used in respect of any project if the completion thereof would result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant located within the state, provided, however, that neither restriction shall apply if the agency shall determine on the basis of the application before it that the project is reasonably necessary to discourage the project occupant from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the state or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the project occupant in its respective industry.
- I.** The Applicant confirms and acknowledges that the owner, occupant or operator receiving financial assistance for the proposed Project is in substantial compliance with applicable local, state, and federal tax, worker protection and environmental laws, rules and regulations.
- J.** The Applicant confirms and acknowledges that the submission of any knowingly false or knowingly misleading information may lead to the immediate termination of any financial assistance and the reimbursement of an amount equal to all or part of any tax exemption claimed by reason of the Agency's involvement in the Project.
- K.** The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges that as of the date of this Application, the Applicant is in substantial compliance with all provisions of Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law, including, but not limited to, the provision of Section 859-a and Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law.
- L.** The Applicant and the individual executing this Application on behalf of Applicant acknowledge that the Agency and its counsel will rely on the representations and covenants made in this Application when acting hereon and hereby represents that the statements made herein do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact and do not omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statement contained herein not misleading.

- M. The OCIDA has the right to request and inspect supporting documentation regarding attestations made on this application.
- N. **Hold Harmless Agreement:** Applicant hereby releases Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency and the members, officers, servants, agents and employees thereof (the "Agency") from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for, and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency harmless from and against any and all liability arising from or expense incurred by: (A) the Agency's examination and processing of, and action pursuant to or upon, the attached Application, regardless of whether or not the Application or the Project described therein or the tax-exemptions and other assistance requested therein are favorably acted upon by the Agency; (B) the Agency's acquisition, construction, and/or installation of the Project described therein and (C) any further action taken by the Agency with respect to the Project, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all cause of action and attorney's fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or action which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. If, for any reason, the Applicant fails to conclude or consummate necessary negotiations, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable, proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels or neglects the Application, or if the Agency or the Applicant are unable to reach final agreement with respect to the Project, then, and in the event, upon presentation of an invoice itemizing the same, the Applicant shall pay to the Agency, its agents or assigns, all costs incurred by the Agency in the process of the Application, including attorney's fees, if any.

Name of Applicant Company:

CVE US E15 Manlius East, LLC

Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:

David Froelich

Name & Title of Officer or Authorized Representative:

David Froelich, Director, Business Development

Date: 01/03/22

Connecticut
STATE OF ~~NEW YORK~~)

COUNTY OF ~~ONONDAGA~~ Fairfield) ss.;

DAVID FROELICH, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I am the Director (Corporate Officer) of CVE US E15 Manlius East LLC (Applicant) and that I am duly authorized on behalf of the Applicant to bind the Applicant.
2. That I have read and attached Application, I Know the contents thereof, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this Application and the contents of this Application are true, accurate and complete

(Signature of Officer)

Subscribed and affirmed to me under penalties of
perjury this 15th day of Jan, 20 22.

[Signature]
(Notary Public)

End of Application

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August 6th, 2022

Onondaga County IDA
333 W. Washington St, Suite 130
Syracuse, NY 13202

RE: OCIDA Benefits Application - Section II, D: Description of Project

Dear OCIDA,

Please see the response from CVE US EI5 Manlius East, LLC regarding Section II, D: Description of Project of the OCIDA Application.

☒ (i) the size of the Project in square feet and a breakdown of square footage per each intended use;

- 36.7 acres, 5.0 MWac

☒ (ii) the size of the lot upon which the Project sits or is to be constructed;

- 68.278 acres (per final subdivision map; to be subdivided from existing 230.854 acre parcel)

☒ (iii) the current use of the site and the intended use of the site upon completion of the Project;

- Current use of the site is an agricultural farm. The intended use of the site is solar renewable energy facility.

☒ (iv) the principal products to be produced and/or the principal activities that will occur on the Project site;

- The generation of solar electricity.

☐ (v) please describe your method for site control (Own, lease, other).

- Purchase and Sale Agreement.

Sincerely,
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