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May 1, 2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301

His Excellency and Honorable Councilors:

#### REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to award grant funds in the amount of \$150,000 to Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc., vendor number pending, to install and manage a ground-mount solar array that will benefit low and moderate income (LMI) residents of the resident-owned manufactured housing community (ROC) located in the Gaslight Village Cooperative in Tilton, from Governor and Council approval through November 30, 2020. Funding is 100% Renewable Energy Funds, a non-lapsing special fund appropriated to the Commission pursuant to RSA 362-F:10.

02-81-81-811510-54540000 Renewable Portfolio Standard 362-F:10

	•	FY2019	FY2020	Total
010-081-54540000-073-500579				
Grants to Institutions – State		\$50,000	\$100,000	\$150,000

# **EXPLANATION**

Pursuant to RSA 362-F:10, the Commission is charged with administering the Renewable Energy Fund (REF), the purpose of which is to support thermal and electrical renewable energy initiatives. On February 6, 2019, the Commission issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) pursuant to RSA 362-F:10, X which requires the Commission to use no less than 15 percent of the funds to "annually benefit low-moderate income residential customers, including, but not limited to, the financing or leveraging of financing for low-moderate income community solar projects in manufactured housing communities or in multi-family rental housing."

The Commission received four (4) proposals requesting a total of \$700,000 in funds in response to the RFP. The Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc., and two (2) others have been selected to receive a total of \$500,000 in this funding round. Attachment A provides additional information on the grant review and award process, and Attachment B provides a summary of all fiscal year 2019 competitive LMI grant awards.

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With these funds, Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc., will install and manage a solar PV system at Gaslight Village Cooperative resident-owned manufactured housing community in Tilton. The solar PV system, through the generation of electricity, will provide direct net benefits to the cooperative members in the form of lot rent reduction. Attachment C, Project and Program Overview, provides a description of the project and summarizes the direct net benefits provided to LMI residential customers.

The grant is contingent on sufficient REF funds being available upon the effective date of the grant agreement. These funds have already been allocated to this RFP round and are being held in the fund. In the event that the REF funds are insufficient or are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin P. Honigberg

Chairman

Attachments:
Agreement with Exhibits
Attachment A – 2019 LMI Grant Review Process
Attachment B - Table of 2019 REF LMI Grant Awards
Attachment C - Project and Program Overview

### ATTACHMENT A - 2019 LMI GRANT REVIEW PROCESS

The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on February 6, 2019, for community solar photovoltaic (PV) projects providing direct benefits to low and moderate-income (LMI) residential electric customers. The RFP required that a project being proposed must result in quantifiable direct benefits to a minimum of three LMI participants. Pursuant to RSA 362-F:10, X "no less than 15 percent of the funds shall annually benefit low-moderate income residential customers, including, but not limited to, the financing or leveraging of financing for low-moderate income community solar projects in manufactured housing communities or in multi-family rental housing."

The RFP was widely circulated electronically to the service list for Docket DE 17-172, Development of Renewable Energy Fund Programs for LMI Residential Customers Under SB129 of 2017 and the service list for PUC Dockets DE 10-212 and DE 16-576. The RFP was posted on the PUC website for the full submission period, and was advertised in the New Hampshire Union Leader on February 10, 11, and 12, 2019. All responses were due by March 11, 2019. The Commission received four (4) proposals requesting a total of \$700,000 in grant funds for projects with a combined estimated project value of \$1.2 million.

The PUC employed a two-tier grant review process to evaluate the proposals. The initial review team consisted of four PUC Staff, including Tanya Wayland (Analyst, Sustainable Energy Division), Stephen Eckberg (Analyst, Sustainable Energy Division), Jason Morse (Analyst, Sustainable Energy Division), and Amanda Noonan (Director, Consumer Services and External Affairs). The second tier review team consisted of the PUC Commissioners: Chairman Martin Honigberg, Commissioner Kathryn Bailey, and Commissioner Michael Giaimo. The RFP and proposal review was overseen by Karen Cramton, Director of the Sustainable Energy Division.

The initial review team scored all proposals using the scoring criteria set forth in the RFP with the quantified direct net benefit to LMI participants receiving the highest scoring weight. Other criteria included project feasibility and readiness, administration and management, and technical specifications. The team scored all proposals using the pre-published scoring criteria, developing a score for each proposal from 0-100 points. Following the initial scoring, the team reached out to applicants with clarification questions. The review team then finalized scores, ranks, and funding recommendations.

Staff met with the Commissioners to brief them on the review team's recommendations. The Commissioners were provided with project descriptions for those projects recommended for funding and had an opportunity to ask questions of Staff. The Commissioners approved the review team's recommendations to award grant funds for three (3) community solar projects totaling \$500,000.

Attachment B

# Low-Moderate Income (LMI) Community Solar PV Competitive Grant Awards

# 2019

Proposed Grantee	Town/ City	Grant Funding	Number of Households	Estimated Direct Annual Net Benefit per Household	Project Model	Model Benefits	Barriers to Serving LMI Community	
Laconia Area Community Land Trust, Inc.	Laconia	\$150,000	12	\$423	Non-profit owned multi-family income verified housing  Electricity to be included in rent (combined rent/electric less than previously paid)	Maximum direct benefit to participants     Behind the meter energy usage     Reduced administrative burden due to incomequalified housing	Limited access to upfront capital  Direct cash payments have the potential to impact other public benefits such as SNAP,	
Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc.	Tilton	\$150,000	32	\$300	Third-party For-profit (Investor Owned) Lot rent reduction	<ul> <li>Eligible for federal tax incentives</li> <li>ROC ownership of system possible after 5 years</li> </ul>	fuel assistance, etc.  LMI households and non-profit organizations cannot take advantage of certain tax credits	
White Rock Cooperative Estates	Tilton	\$200,000	28	\$444	ROC owned  Lot rent reduction	Reduced     administrative costs     through immediate     participant solar PV     ownership		
Total		\$500,000	72			· ·		

# Attachment C Gaslight Village Cooperative Estates **Project and Program Overview**

The Gaslight Village Cooperative Estates, Inc. program model is structured to maximize direct benefits to low-moderate income (LMI) Resident-Owned Communities (ROCs). The project developer will design, build, and own the community solar project for at least the first five years allowing the investor to leverage federal and state tax benefits to lower the overall cost of the project. Direct financing for the project during the first five years is structured as a power purchase agreement (PPA) through which the ROC residents are able to purchase electricity for a rate of \$ 0.0530 per kilowatt hour for the first two years. After two years, the energy rate will increase by 2% annually. After five years, the ROC may purchase the project using low interest financing from the New Hampshire Community Loan Fund, at fair market value. ROC ownership would provide additional benefits to the LMI residents, including renewable energy certificate ownership and maximum compensation for energy produced.

Under New Hampshire's Group Net Metering program, the ROC will also qualify as a "host" and receive additional monetary benefits. The ROC, in turn, will provide direct benefits to its cooperative members (residents) in the form of lot rent reductions. By reducing lot rents, the LMI residents reduce their monthly expenses and avoid any unintended consequences to any other public benefits received.

In addition, the project will leverage charitable contributions and pro bono work from Vermont Law School's Energy Clinic and a law firm, Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer. This project has also received letters of support from the Vermont Law School Institute for Energy and the Environment, ROC-NH, and Clean Energy NH.

# Direct LMI Benefits:

Number of Participants:

32 Households (29 LMI households)

Annual Estimated Savings per Participant: \$ 300

Total Projected Annual Savings:

\$9,600 (\$8,700 direct to LMI)

# **Project Technical Specifications:**

Nameplate Rating: 142 kW<sub>DC</sub> (100 kW<sub>AC</sub>) Ground-Mounted PV System

Projected Energy Generation: 168,788 kilowatt hours per year

#### **Funding Analysis:**

Grant Amount:

\$ 150,000.00

Total Project Cost:

\$ 296,833.00

Cost per Watt:

2.09

#### Other Benefits:

- Warranty includes 5 year labor warranty, plus one inverter replacement
- System life expectancy of 30+ years
- System will generate 168 Class II renewable energy certificates (RECs) per year
- Supports fuel diversity & keeps energy dollars in state
- Reduces the amount of greenhouse gases, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter emissions; thereby improving air quality and public health

<sup>1</sup> ROC-NH is a program of the NH Community Loan Fund https://www.communityloanfund.org/how-we-help/roc-nh

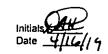
The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby mutually agree as follows:

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. Identification and Definitions.

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1.1. State Agency Name Public Utilities Commission		1.2. State Agency Address 21 S. Fruit St., Suite 10, Concord NH 03301-2429		
1.3. Grantee Name		1.4. Grantee Address		
Gaslight Village Cooperative		28 Quinn Street, Tilton, NH 03276		
1.5. Effective Date May 15, 2019	1.6 Completion Date November 30, 2020	1.7. Audit Date 1.8. Grant Limita \$150,000		
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Karen Cramton Director Sustainable Energy Div		1.10. State Agency Telephone No. 603-271-2431		
1.11. Grantee Signature		1.12. Name & Title of Grantee Signor Deborah Hoffman, President 570-260-2000		
1.13. Acknowledgment State of				
1.13.2. Name and Title of Notary Public or Justice of the Peace				
1.14. State Agency Signature(s)  Martin P. Honigberg, Chairman				
1.16. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution)				
By: Assistant Attorney General, On: 4 141 0019				
1.17. Approval by the Governor and Council				
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2. SCOPE OF WORK: In exchange for grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT A (the scope of work being hereinafter referred to as "the Project"). Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in the State of New Hampshire.



- EFFECTIVE DATE: COMPLETION OF PROJECT.
- 3.1. This Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date in block 1.5 or on the date of approval of this Agreement by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire whichever is later (hereinafter referred to as "the effective date").
- 3.2. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Project, including all reports required by this Agreement, shall be completed in its entirety prior to the date in block 1.6 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
- GRANT AMOUNT: MANNER OF PAYMENT: LIMITATIONS.
- The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT B, attached hereto.
- The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT B.
- In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT B and in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the Project, as determined by the State, and as limited by subparagraph 4.5 of these general provisions, the State shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount. The State shall withhold from the amount otherwise payable to the Grantee those sums required, or permitted, to be withheld pursuant to N.H. RSA 80:7 through 7-c.
- 4.4. The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.
- 4.5 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made, hereunder exceed the Grant limitation set forth in block 1.8 of these general provisions.
- SPECIAL CONDITIONS. Modifications to these General Conditions and any additional grant conditions shall be set forth in Exhibit C attached hereto.
- COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. In connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all applicable statutes, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities that impose any legal obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits.
- RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS.
- 7.1. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.
- 7.2. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data (as that term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these general provisions.
- PERSONNEL.
- 8.1. The Grantee shall, at its own expense, contract for or provide all personnel necessary to perform the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Project under all applicable laws.
- 8.2. The Grantee shall not hire, and it shall not permit any subcontractor, subgrantee, or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Project, to hire any person who is a State officer or employee, elected or appointed.
- 8.3. The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.
- DATA: RETENTION OF DATA: ACCESS
- 9.1. As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs or data, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.
- 9.2. Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.

- 9.3. No data shall be subject to copyright in the United States or any other country by anyone other than the State, unless otherwise specified in Exhibit C...
- CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.
- **EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES**
- 11.1. Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):

11.1.1.

- failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or failure to submit any report required hereunder; or failure to maintain, or permit access to the records required hereunder; or 11.1.3.
- 11.1.4. failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.
- 11.2. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:
- 11.2.1. give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not imply remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination and
- 11.2.2. give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee; and
- 11.2.3. set off against any other obligation the State may owe to the Grantee any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and
- 11.2.4. treat the agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.
- TERMINATION.
- 12.1. In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Project, the Grantee shall delive to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination a report thereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detailful Project Work performed, and the Grant Amount carneds to and including the date of ermination
- 12.2. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a termination Report by the State shall entitle the Grantee to receive that portion of the Grant amount earned to and including the date of termination.
- 12,3. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.

12.4 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice

13. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. No representative, officer, member or employee of

- the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the / proceeds thereof.
- 14. GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Grantee, its employees, and any contractor, subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the State. Neither the Grantee nor any of its representatives, officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the State nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, worker's compensation or emoluments provided by the State to its
- 15. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS. The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written
- 16. .INDEMNIFICATION. The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses

Initial Date UT suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee or its contractors, subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee in the performance of the Project. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant shall survive the termination of this agreement.

- 17. INSURANCE AND BOND.
- 17.1. The Grantee shall, at its sole expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
- 17.1.1 statutory worker's compensation and employees liability insurance for all
- employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and

  17.1.2 comprehensive general habitity insurance for all claims of bodily injuries, death
  or property damage, in amounts not less than \$2.000,000 for bodily injury or
  death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident.
- 17.2 The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Each policy shall contain a clause prohibiting cancellation of modification of the policy earlier than ten (10) days after written notice thereof has been received by the State. At certificate of insurance demonstrating compliance with subparagraphs 17.1 and 17.2 shall be attached to this Grant Agreement.
- 18. WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure or waiver shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other default on the part of the Grantee.
- 19. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses first above given.
- AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by
  an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of
  such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Council of the State
  of New Hampshire.
- 21. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intend of the parties hereto.
- THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.
- 23. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating hereto.



# **EXHIBIT A**

#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

In exchange for receiving grant funds in the amount of up to \$150,000 from the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC), Gaslight Village Cooperative (Grantee) shall coordinate and oversee the design, development, procurement, construction, and installation by ReVision Solar Impact Partners LLC or its assignee (Power Seller) and/or its subcontractors, of a 142.08 kW (DC) /100 kW (AC) ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) system located at the Tilton, New Hampshire location identified as the Gaslight Village Cooperative Community Solar Project in the Grantee's proposal, which Grantee submitted in response to PUC Request for Proposals (RFP) 19-001. Specifically, the Grantee agrees to:

- Cause a solar PV system array by the Power Seller to be installed and operated at the Gaslight
  Village Cooperative Resident Owned Community located in Tilton, New Hampshire on 3 Quinn
  Street, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a power purchase agreement (PPA) with Power
  Seller.
- 2. Ensure the maintenance of the PV system and system components as recommended by the manufacturer and consistent with engineering specifications.
- 3. Uphold the commitment to provide park lot rent reduction to cooperative members participating in the community solar program for the life of the PV system, as set forth in the Grantee's proposal.
- 4. Inform the Commission promptly in writing if the net direct benefit to low and moderate income (LMI) customers will decrease by 10% or more from the benefit amount set forth in the Grantee's proposal.
- 5. Inform the Commission promptly, in writing, if legislation enacted in 2019 or thereafter will increase any financial benefit(s) available to the Grantee as the owner of, or purchaser of power from, the net-metered solar PV system(s), and how any such increased benefit(s) shall be shared with the funded solar PV system(s)' LMI participants.
- 6. Manage the low-moderate income (LMI) community solar program as described in the "Deliverables" section and in the Grantee's proposal.
- 7. Provide direct benefits to community solar participants, of which LMI participants comprise the majority, for the full life of the PV system.
- 8. Provide the PUC with reports and status updates as specified in the "Deliverables" section."
- Submit a complete Class II Renewable Energy Source Eligibility application to the PUC for the
  certification of the output for the PV system to produce New Hampshire Class II renewable energy
  certificates (RECs).
- 10. Market the RECs to electricity providers in New Hampshire for compliance with the state's renewable portfolio standard law, RSA 362-F, if and when the Grantee deems it economically advantageous to do so.



11. Acknowledge the Renewable Energy Fund as a source of funds used for the project in any literature, press release, or public discussion of the project.

Except as otherwise provided in this contract, the requirements and provisions set forth in the PUC's Request for Proposals issued February 6, 2019, as RFP 2019-001, and in the Grantee's Proposal dated March 11, 2019 are incorporated herein by reference as further defining the scope of services to be rendered by the Grantee.

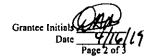
# **DELIVERABLES**

The Grantee agrees to prepare and submit written progress reports to the PUC, in a form and manner prescribed by the PUC, and to participate in monthly status update meetings or conference calls prior to the project completion date and in additional status update meetings or conference calls upon PUC request following project completion. The written progress reports shall meet the following specifications:

Report Type	Reporting Period	Due Date	Scope of Report
Report #1	Through 6/30/2019	8/1/2019	Update on community solar program development and enrollment. Overview of project progress including but not limited to permits, PPA, participant recruitment), development and construction, significant accomplishments, delays, etc.
Report #2	7/1/2019 – 9/30/2019	11/1/2019	Same as above.
Report #3	10/1/2019 – 12/31/2019	2/1/2020	Same as above.
Report #4	1/1/2020 - 3/31/2020	5/1/2020	Same as above.
Report #5	4/1/2020 - 6/30/2020	8/1/2020	Same as above.
Annual Report	Calendar Years 2020 - 2029	2/1/yyyy	LMI Community Solar Program Annual Report (see below for details)

LMI Community Solar Program Annual Reports must be submitted annually for 10 years. The first such report, for calendar year 2019, must be submitted no later than February 1, 2020. Each LMI Community Solar Program Annual Report must include, at a minimum, the following:

- 1. Identification of the Grantee, project name, RFP 2019-001, and updated contact information;
- 2. Electric energy produced by the PV system (i.e., kilowatt-hours generated) during the preceding calendar year;
- 3. Total number of participants in the LMI Community Solar Program (Program) and breakdown of participants: low-income, moderate-income, other;
- 4. Number of LMI participating customers receiving direct benefits through the Program;



- 5. Description and quantification of direct benefits provided to LMI and non-LMI participants through the Program;
- 6. Quantification of the annual net direct benefits (in dollars) received by each LMI participant;
- 7. Explanation of any material variation between the direct benefits projected in the Grantee's proposal and the actual direct benefits provided to participating LMI customers through the Program;
- 8. Certification of income verification conducted for each LMI participating customer, and description of the income verification process;
- 9. Certification that the number of participating customers equaled or exceeded five (5), and that the majority of participating customers were certified and verified to be LMI;
- 10. Description of any change in ownership of the PV system including, but not limited to, the Grantee's exercise of the option to purchase the PV system from Power Seller under the terms and conditions of the PPA;
- 11. Description of any changes made to the overall Program model;
- 12. Description of any impacts to public benefits received by participating LMI customers or any tax implications related to participation by LMI customers in the Program;
- 13. The number of RECs produced during the preceding calendar year; and
- 14. The number of RECs sold during the preceding calendar year.



#### EXHIBIT B

#### **GRANT AMOUNT, TERMS, AND METHODS OF PAYMENT**

- 1. This grant agreement between the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc. (Grantee) commences upon approval by Governor and Executive Council and concludes on November 30, 2020.
- 2. In consideration of the satisfactory performance of the obligations described in Exhibit A as determined by the State, the State agrees to pay an amount not to exceed \$150,000 to the Grantee, or as directed by Grantee, to ReVision Solar Impact Partners, LLC or its assignee, pursuant to the terms and conditions specified in this Exhibit B.
- 3. Any grant funds under the grant agreement will not be paid unless and until all of the following have occurred by the target date(s) specified:

Resolution of solar installation property taxes between Grantee and the town of Tilton, where Tilton accepts proposed Payment in Lieu of Taxes	June 15, 2019
Execution of power purchase agreement (PPA) by all necessary action between ReVision Solar Impact Partners, LLC or its assignee and Grantee.	June 30, 2019
Execution of group net metering agreement by all necessary action between Gaslight Village Cooperative, Inc. and cooperative residents.	July 31, 2019
All participants identified, and the projected load of participants enrolled offsets the total generation capacity of the array	August 15, 2019
Confirm net direct benefits to LMI participants and notify PUC of any changes prior to commencing construction	August 15, 2019
Receipt of all federal, state, and local permits, licenses, consents, and approvals required for construction, installation, and operation of the project.	September 30, 2019

The Grantee shall use reasonable best efforts to achieve the foregoing milestones by the date(s) set forth in the table above. The PUC may extend any such specified date(s) for good cause shown upon written request by the Grantee.

4. The Grantee's approved reimbursement requests shall cover only the costs of materials and equipment delivered to the project site and incorporated into or to be incorporated into the project, and only labor costs directly related to the design, construction, and installation of t

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project. The Grantee's reimbursement requests shall not include the costs of any deposits or prepayments for equipment or materials ordered or procured for the project unless and until such equipment and materials are delivered to the project site and incorporated into or for incorporation into the project.

- 5. The Grantee shall receive and review final paid invoices evidencing the full costs of design, development, procurement, construction and installation of the project from ReVision Solar Impact Partners LLC or its assignee and/or its vendors and subcontractors, as contemplated by the PPA. Following approval by the Grantee of submitted invoices, the Grantee shall forward the approved invoices to the PUC Sustainable Energy Division for review and evaluation, with full supporting documentation, as obligations described in Exhibit A have been met and subject to the conditions stated in paragraphs 3 and 4 above. Reimbursement requests shall be submitted not more frequently than once per month. The amount of \$15,000 will be retained until the project is complete and shall be paid only when each of the following has occurred:
  - (i) the project has been fully constructed and installed;
  - (ii) the project has commenced operation;
  - (iii) a complete Renewable Energy Source Eligibility application has been submitted to the PUC for certification of eligibility of the project to produce Class II RECs.

The State shall not be responsible for any project expenses incurred that exceed the total grant amount or are not eligible for reimbursement under this Exhibit B.

- 6. Each reimbursement request shall provide a detailed listing of project expenses incurred with supporting documentation. The Grantee shall document all project expenditures for which reimbursement is requested with appropriate back-up documentation, including, but not limited to, receipts, invoices, bills, and other similar documents for all project vendors, contractors, and subcontractors. This includes expenses incurred by subcontractors employed on construction projects funded through the grant. At a minimum, receipts must be provided documenting labor cost, equipment cost, material cost, site work, engineering and permitting fees, and capital expenditures for all vendors, contractors, and subcontractors.
- 7. Each reimbursement request shall also include an express affirmation by the Grantee that it and the project remain in full compliance with all terms and conditions of the grant agreement, and either (i) an express affirmation that there have been no material changes in any rights, interests, direct benefits to LMI participants, permits, licenses, or approvals affecting the project since the most recent status report submitted to the PUC, or (ii) a description in reasonable detail of any such material changes in rights, interests, permits, licenses, or approvals affecting the project since the most recent status report submitted to the PUC.
- 8. Reimbursement requests shall be reviewed for compliance with the scope of services set forth in Exhibit A, and the reimbursement terms and conditions of this Exhibit B, and approved by the Director of the Sustainable Energy Division or her designee. Following review and approval of all such submitted invoices, the PUC shall pay the grant funds under the grant agreement.
- 9. The State agrees to make payment within 30 days after the approval of reimbursement requests submitted in compliance with this Exhibit B and the grant agreement General Provisions.

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- 10. The Grantee agrees to provide economic data (including but not limited to the total jobs created as a result of the development and operation of the project, to the extent possible) for activity performed during construction and operation of the project and after completion of the project.
- 11. All obligations of the State under the grant agreement, including the continuance of any payments, are contingent on the availability of funds derived from the Renewable Energy Fund established and existing pursuant to RSA 362-F:10.



# **EXHIBIT C**

# **SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. Gaslight Village Cooperative has no employees. Therefore, worker's compensation and employees liability insurance as set forth in Paragraph 17.1.1 of the General Provisions are not required.
- 2. In lieu of the insurance requirements set forth in Paragraph 17.1.2 of the General Provisions, the Commission will accept comprehensive general liability insurance in the following amounts:
  - \$1,000,000 for each occurrence
  - \$ 100,000 for damage to rented premises (each occurrence)
  - \$ 5,000 for medical expenses (any one person)
  - \$1,000,000 for personal and advertising injury
  - \$2,000,000 for general aggregate
  - \$2,000,000 for products liability/completed operations in aggregate



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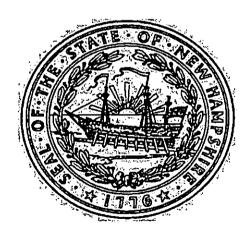
# State of New Hampshire Department of State

# **CERTIFICATE**

I, William M. Gardner, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that GASLIGHT VILLAGE COOPERATIVE, INC. is a New Hampshire Consumer Cooperative registered to transact business in New Hampshire on June 08, 2004. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: 476586

Certificate Number: 0004495923



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of New Hampshire, this 14th day of April A.D. 2019.

William M. Gardner

Secretary of State

#### Certificate of Vote

Pursuant to the By-Laws on February 22, 2019, the Board of Directors of Gaslight Village Cooperative (the "Cooperative"), voted to authorize Deborah Hoffman, the President of the Board of Directors of the Cooperative, to execute contracts with the State of New Hampshire in the name of, and on behalf of, the Cooperative, and such execution of any contract or obligation in the Cooperative's name on its behalf by such officer, shall be valid and binding upon the Cooperative.

At a meeting of the Cooperative held on December 9, 2018, in accordance with the Cooperative By-Laws, the Cooperative voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Directors to enter into an agreement with the Public Utility Commission to accept grant funding from the Renewable Energy Fund to help build a community solar photovoltaic array to benefit participating Cooperative members.

I hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Gaslight Village Cooperative, and that Deborah Hoffman is the duly elected President of the Board of Directors of the Cooperative. Neither the vote of the Board of Directors, nor the vote of the Cooperative community, both referenced above, has been amended, modified, revoked or rescinded and remains in full force and effect as of the date signed below.

Date: April <u>17</u> 2019

Secretary:



#### CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 04/15/2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(les) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s) CONTACT IMMANUEL Ins Agy Inc & 603-335-4300 PRODUCER
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PO Box 300 3 Brittany Lane
Barrington, NH 03825-0300
IMMANUEL Ins Agy Inc & PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 603-335-4300 FAX (A/C, No): 603-822-7101 E MAIL ADDRESS: david@immanuelins.com INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE 15024 INSURER A : Preferred Mutual INSURED Gaslight Village Coop Inc 3 Quinn St Tilton, NH 03276 INSURER B: INSURER C: INSURER D : INSURER E : INSURER F **REVISION NUMBER:** COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES, LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS. ADOL SUBR POLICY EFF POLICY EXP TYPE OF INSURANCE POLICY NUMBER LIMITS 1,000,000 X COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY EACH OCCURRENCE
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