# MINUTES COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY October 18, 2022 44 West Bridge St. Oswego, NY

| <u>PRESENT</u> :      | Canale, Greco, Peter-Clark, Schick, Stahl, Toth and Trimble  |  |  |  |
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| Absent/Excused:       | None   |  |  |  |
| <u>Also Present</u> : | Casey Bunce, Kevin C. Caraccioli, John Piscitelli, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell and Austin Wheelock |  |  |  |

Chair Toth convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. at the IDA office in Oswego, NY.

## **MINUTES**

On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Trimble, the minutes of the September 28, 2022 meeting were approved.

## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Meeting notices were posted at the Oswego County Building, the IDA Office Building and on the IDA website. A notice was published in <u>The Palladium Times</u> on October 5, 2022.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

On a motion by Mr. Schick, seconded by Mr. Stahl, the Financial Statements for the periods ended June 30, 2022 and July 31, 2022 were approved.

#### **NOVELIS CORPORATION**

Mr. Piscitelli provided an overview of the expansion and upgrades project in the Town of Scriba. Mr. Caraccioli reported that the SEQRA process was handled by the Town of Scriba Planning Board and the COIDA was an involved Agency, and there is no requirement for the Agency to approve a SEQRA Resolution.

Following a review of the Cost/Benefit Analysis, on a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Greco, a Resolution undertaking the acquisition or continuation of an interest in land, and the construction, renovation, reconstruction, equipping and completion of a certain project; appointing the Company as Agent of the Agency for the purpose of the construction, renovation, reconstruction, equipping and completion for the project; approving certain financial assistance; and authorizing the execution and delivery of an Agreement between the Agency and the Company was approved. The Inducement Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Schick, a Resolution approving a PILOT schedule and authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a certain project undertaken at the request of Novelis Corporation was approved. The PILOT Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Trimble, seconded by Mr. Stahl, a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a project undertaken at the request of the Company was approved. The Final Approving Resolution is attached.

## FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC.

Following a review of the Cost/Benefit Analysis of the Silicone Coating Production Line project, on a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale, a Resolution classifying a certain project as an Unlisted Action pursuant to the SEQRA and determining that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment was approved. The SEQRA Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Trimble, a Resolution authorizing undertaking the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation, equipping and completion of a certain project, appointing Felix

Schoeller North America, Inc. (The Company) as Agent of the Agency for the purpose of the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation, equipping and completion of the project; approving certain financial assistance; and authorizing the execution and delivery of an Agreement between the Agency and the Company. The Inducement Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Schick, seconded by Mr. Stahl, a Resolution approving a PILOT schedule and authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a certain project undertaken at the request of Felix Schoeller North America, Inc. was approved. The PILOT Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Greco, a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a project undertaken at the request of the Company was approved. The Final Approving Resolution is attached.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Canale, it was approved to go into Executive Session to discuss the financial history of a particular corporation or individual, pending litigation and contractual matters at 10:42 a.m.

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale it was approved to exit the Executive Session at 11:29 a.m.

#### PILOT EDF REPORT

Mr. Treadwell provided the Report as of September 30, 2022 and the Use of Funds Summary 2014-2022 in Executive Session. On a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Schick, the reports were approved.

## **DELINQUENT LOAN REPORT**

No Report

#### **DEVINE DESIGNS**

Mr. Wheelock reviewed the MEP EDF loan request and the Cost/Benefit Analysis in Executive Session. On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Greco, the MEP EDF loan of \$22,000 was approved.

## **OSWEGO PV, LLC**

Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale, the Initial Resolution was tabled and would be deferred to the next meeting for consideration.

#### **OCIP EXPANSION/URI GRANT APPLICATION**

Following a discussion, on a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Stahl, authorization was approved to initiate a URI Grant Application to assist in funding the expansion of the OCIP to enhance economic development opportunities.

## NEXT MEETING

November 29, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. was scheduled.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Ms. Peter-Clark, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Leonard Schick Secretary

#### **INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION**

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Casey Bunce, Kevin C. Caraccioli, John Piscitelli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

**RESOLUTION UNDERTAKING THE ACQUISITION OR** CONTINUATION OF AN INTEREST IN LAND, AND THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, RECONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT; APPOINTING THE COMPANY AS AGENT OF AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE THE OF THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, RECONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; **APPROVING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND** AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE COMPANY

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Novelis Corporation, a business corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and authorized to do business in the State of New York (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021, and amendments thereto on July 27, 2022, September 13, 2022 and September 19, 2022 (collectively, "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in, or license to, all or a portion of approximately 509 acres of improved real property, being part of various parcels of certain real property located at 448 County Route 1A in the Town of Scriba, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of, and construction of an approximately 46,500 square foot addition to, an existing building known as the Future Cold Mill (the "Existing Building") located on the Land; (iii) the construction of (a) an approximately 15,700 square foot building to be known as the Hot Mill Coolant House, (b) an approximately 10,000 square foot building to be known as the West Locker Building, (c) an adjacent 94,000 square foot parking lot; and (d) an approximately 45,000 square foot semi-truck parking area to be known as the West Side Truck Bullpen; all located on the Land (collectively, the "New Facility" and, together with the Existing Building as renovated, reconstructed and expanded, the "Facility"); (iv) upgrades to existing facilities and associated infrastructure throughout the Land; and (v) the acquisition of and installation in the Facility and in certain other buildings located on the Land of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement and/or the license of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a license agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 31, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the "*Initial Resolution*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 11, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on September 27, 2022 in The Post-Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Scriba and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in order to begin the construction, renovation and reconstruction of the Project Facility and the acquisition of Equipment prior to the execution and delivery of final documents and agreements in connection with the Project, the Company has requested the temporary appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency for sales and use tax purposes; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the temporary appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency for sales and use tax purposes, the Agency and the Company will enter into a preliminary project agreement and certain related documents (the "*Interim Documents*") with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, simultaneously with the execution of the Interim Documents, the Agency will file with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance the form entitled "IDA Appointment of Project Sublessee or Agent for Sales Tax Purposes" (the form required to be filed pursuant to Section 874(9) of the Act) (the "*Thirty-Day Sales Tax Form*"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Scriba Planning Board acted as lead agency for the purpose of conducting a coordinated environmental review of the Project under the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "*SEQRA*"), 6 NYCRR Part 617, determined that the Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and issued a negative declaration dated March 6, 2018 for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency has considered the policy, purposes and requirements of the Act in making its determinations with respect to taking official action regarding the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to further develop the Project Facility in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs and advancing job opportunities, the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County of Oswego and improve their standard of living;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- A. Ratifies the findings in its Initial Resolution.
- B. The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act.
- C. The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to develop the Project in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego. The Financial Assistance consists solely of exemptions from real estate transfer taxes, real property taxes, and State and local sales and use tax.
- D. The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, construct, reconstruct and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- E. The acquisition, construction, renovation, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project will promote employment opportunities, help prevent economic deterioration in the Town of Scriba and the County of Oswego by preservation of jobs and advance the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.
- F. The acquisition or continuation of an interest in the Project Facility by the Agency and the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for acquisition, construction, equipping and completion of the Project will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, construct, renovate, reconstruct and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, preserving and/or creating permanent private sector jobs, promoting job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, construction, renovation, reconstruction, and/or improving, equipping and completion of the Project.
- G. The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State.

<u>Section 3.</u> Subject to the due execution and delivery by the Company of the Agreement (as defined herein) and the Interim Documents, the satisfaction of the conditions of this Resolution, the Agreement and the Interim Documents, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to proceed with the construction, renovation, installation, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf. Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, provided the Company executes and delivers the Interim Documents and satisfies the balance of the conditions set forth in this Resolution, the Interim Documents and the Agreement, the Company need not execute the Lease

Documents (as defined below) prior to the effectiveness of the Company appointment as the Agency's agents.

<u>Section 4.</u> Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement (as defined herein), the Agency's approval of the PILOT schedule and the execution and delivery of the Project Agreement (as defined herein), the Agency will: (i) acquire or continue a controlling interest in the Land and Facility pursuant to a lease agreement and/or license agreement (the "*Company Lease*") to be entered into between the Company and the Agency and accept an interest in the Equipment, if any, pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company (the "*Bill of Sale*"); (ii) sublease the Facility to the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Project Agreement and any other certificates and documents deemed necessary by the Agency to undertake the Project, collectively, the "*Lease Documents*") to be entered into among the Agency and the Company.

<u>Section 5.</u> The terms and conditions of subdivision 3 of Section 875 of the Act are herein incorporated by reference and the Company shall agree to such terms as a condition precedent to receiving or benefiting from an exemption from State sales and use tax exemptions benefits. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall not exceed **\$3,800,000 and shall last no longer than two years from the execution and delivery of the Agency Documents**. The Agency may consider any requests by the Company for increases to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services.

# Section 6. Reserved.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of real Section 7. property tax abatement benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall be approximately \$908,661, which such amount reflects the total estimated real property tax exemptions for the Project Facility (which constitute those taxes that would have been paid if the Project Facility were on the tax rolls and not subject to that certain payment in lieu of tax agreement between the Company and the Agency (the "PILOT Agreement") of approximately \$1,863,920, less the estimated payments in lieu of taxes of approximately \$955,259 to be made by the Company to the affected tax jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility during the term of the PILOT Agreement. The approximate amount of estimated real property tax exemptions and the approximate amount of estimated payments in lieu of taxes are estimated based on an assumed assessed value of the Project Facility and assumed future tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions, therefore the real property tax abatement benefit is estimated because it is calculated using the estimated real property tax exemptions. The actual amount of real property tax abatement benefit is subject to change over the term of the PILOT Agreement depending on any changes to assessed value and/or tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions. Exhibit "B" attached hereto reflects the calculation used to determine the annual amount of the payments in lieu of taxes to be made to the affected tax jurisdictions in each year during the term of the PILOT Agreement.

Section 8. The Company may utilize, and is hereby authorized to appoint, a Project operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, "Additional Agents") to proceed with the construction,

reconstruction and/or improving, installation equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf, provided the Company executes, delivers and complies with the Lease Documents and/or the Interim Documents, as applicable. The Company shall provide or cause its Additional Agents to provide, and the Agency shall maintain, records of the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits provided to the Project; and the Company shall, and cause each Additional Agent, to make such records available to the State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance (the "Commissioner") and the Agency upon request. The Agency shall, within thirty (30) days of providing any State sales and use tax exemption benefits, report to the Commissioner the amount of such benefits for the Project, identifying the Project, along with any such other information and specificity as the Commissioner may prescribe. As a condition precedent to the Company or Project's receipt of, or benefit from, any State or local sales and use tax exemptions, the Company must acknowledge and agree to make, or cause its Additional Agents to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits realized by the Project available to the Agency or its designee upon request. For purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

**Section 9.** As a condition to the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Company agrees to execute an agreement with the Agency setting forth the preliminary undertakings of the Agency and the Company with respect to the Project. The form and substance of the proposed agreement (as set forth as on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto and presented at this meeting) (the "*Agreement*") are hereby approved. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agreement, in substantially the same form as presented at this meeting and attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, with changes in terms and form as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson shall approve.

As an additional condition precedent to the extension of Financial Section 10. Assistance, the Company shall acknowledge and agree, that the Agency shall, and in some cases may, recapture from the Company or any Additional Agent the State sales and use tax exemption (the "Recapture Amount") taken or purported to be taken by any such person to which the person or Project is not entitled or which are in excess of the amounts authorized or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where such Company or Additional Agent failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by agreements with, or for the benefit of, the Agency. The Company or Additional Agents shall cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State sales and use tax exemptions benefits and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Agency shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State sales and use taxes due from the Company and/or Additional Agents under article twenty-eight of the tax law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts. In addition, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Deficit (as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy).

As an additional condition precedent to the extension of Financial Section 11. Assistance, the Company shall acknowledge and agree that the Agency shall recapture from the Company or any Additional Agent the State sales and use tax exemption (the "Recapture Amount") taken or purported to be taken by any such person to which the person or Project is not entitled or which are in excess of the amounts authorized or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where such Company or Additional Agent failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by the Company or Additional Agents agreement with, or for the benefit of, the Agency. Such Company or Additional Agent shall cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State sales and use exemptions benefits and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Agency shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State sales and use taxes due from the Company and/or Additional Agent under article twenty-eight of the tax law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts. In addition, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Job Deficit, an Investment Deficit or a Reporting Failure (each as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy).

<u>Section 12.</u> As another condition precedent to the extension of Financial Assistance, the Company and the Agency shall execute and deliver a project agreement (the "*Project Agreement*") setting forth certain terms and conditions relative to the approved Financial Assistance.

<u>Section 13</u>. Subject to the due execution and delivery by the Company of the Agreement and the Project Agreement, the satisfaction of the conditions of this Resolution, the Agreement, the Project Agreement and the payment by the Company of any attendant fees due to or incurred by the Agency, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to proceed with the construction, renovation, reconstruction and/or improving, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf. The appointment made by this Section shall not be effective until the Agreement and the Interim Project Documents have been duly executed and delivered by the Company.

<u>Section 14</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board, acting individually, are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the documents and agreements identified herein and any such additional certificates, instruments, documents or affidavits, to pay any such other fees, charges and expenses, to make such other changes, omissions, insertions, revisions, or amendments to the documents referred herein and to do and cause to be done any such other acts and things, as they determine, on advice of counsel to the Agency, may be necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution and the Agreement.

<u>Section 15</u>. The obligation of the Agency to consummate any transaction contemplated herein or hereby is subject to and conditioned upon the execution and delivery of, among other things, an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement (the "*Environmental Compliance and Indemnification Agreement*") in favor of the Agency in form and substance acceptable to the Agency and its counsel by the Company and some or all of its principals, in the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board.

<u>Section 16</u>. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any document referred to herein shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to herein on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

<u>Section 17</u>. Should the Agency's participation in the Project, or the appointments made in accordance herewith, be challenged by any party, in the courts or otherwise, the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Agency and its members, officers and employees from any and all losses arising from any such challenge including, but not limited to, the fees and disbursement of the Agency's counsel. Should any court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Agency is not authorized under the Act to participate in the Project, this Resolution shall automatically become null, void and of no further force and effect, and the Agency shall have no liability to the Company hereunder or otherwise.

Section 18. A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 19.</u> The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 20.</u> Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and consummate the Lease Documents.

Section 21. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |     |         |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

#### **STATE OF NEW YORK** )

) ss.:

## COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

#### EXHIBIT "A"

#### AGENCY/COMPANY AGREEMENT

This Agreement is by and among the COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (the "*Agency*"), NOVELIS CORPORATION a business corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and authorized to do business in the State of New York (the "*Company*").

Article 1. <u>Preliminary Statement</u>. Among the matters of mutual inducement which have resulted in the execution of this Agreement are the following:

1.01. The Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "*State*"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "*Act*") to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with "Projects" (as defined in the Act) and to lease or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable and designate an agent for constructing, reconstructing, renovating and/or improving and equipping "projects" (as defined in the Act).

1.02. The purposes of the Act are to promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry in order to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration. The Act vests the Agency with all powers necessary to enable it to accomplish such purposes, including the power to grant financial assistance, acquire and dispose of interests in real property and to appoint agents for the purpose of completion of projects undertaken by the Agency.

1.03. Novelis Corporation, a Texas corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021 (the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in, or license to, all or a portion of approximately 509 acres of improved real property, being part of various parcels of certain real property located at 448 County Route 1A in the Town of Scriba, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of, and construction of an approximately 46,500 square foot addition to, an existing building known as the Future Cold Mill (the "Existing Building") located on the Land; (iii) the construction of (a) an approximately 15,700 square foot building to be known as the Hot Mill Coolant House, (b) an approximately 10,000 square foot building to be known as the West Locker Building, (c) an adjacent 94,000 square foot parking lot; and (d) an approximately 45,000 square foot semi-truck parking area to be known as the West Side Truck Bullpen; all located on the Land (collectively, the "New Facility" and, together with the Existing Building as renovated, reconstructed and expanded, the "Facility"); (iv) upgrades to existing facilities and associated infrastructure throughout the Land; and (v) the acquisition of and installation in the Facility and in certain other buildings located on the land of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "*Equipment*") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "*Project Facility*"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "*Financial Assistance*"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

(b) All documents necessary to effectuate the Agency's undertaking of the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance between the Agency and the Company, including but not limited to, a company lease and/or license agreement, a bill of sale, an agency lease, a project agreement and an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement and a payment in lieu of tax agreement, shall be collectively referred to herein as the "*Lease Documents*".

1.04. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that undertaking the Project, the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, and/or improving, installation equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and the appointment by the Company of a Project operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, "*Additional Agents*"): (i) will be an inducement to it to acquire, construct, reconstruct and/or improve, equip and complete the Project Facility in the County of Oswego (the "*County*") and assist the Company in expanding and maintaining its competitive advantage in its industry; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or of any other project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) undertaking the Project will promote, create and/or preserve private sector jobs in the State. The Company hereby further represents to the Agency that the Project Facility is not primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit the Facility.

1.05. The Agency has determined that the acquisition or continuation of a controlling interest in, and the construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation and equipping of the Project Facility and the subleasing of the same to the Company will promote and further the purposes of the Act.

1.06 On October 18, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution (the "Inducement **Resolution**") agreeing, subject to the satisfaction of all conditions precedent set forth in such Resolution, to designate the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and determining that the leasing of the same to the Company will promote further purposes of the Act. For purposes of that designation, the Agency authorized as part of the approved Financial Assistance, State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits in an amount not to exceed

**\$3,800,000,** and the amount of real property tax abatement benefits in an approximate amount of **\$908,661**.

1.07 In the Resolution, subject to the execution of, and compliance with, this Agreement by the Company, and other conditions set forth in the Resolution and herein, the Agency appointed the Company as its agent for the purposes of acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, entering into contracts and doing all things requisite and proper for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion.

<u>Article 2.</u> <u>Undertakings on the Part of the Agency</u>. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

2.01. The Agency confirms that it has authorized and designated the Company as the Agency's agent for acquiring, constructing, reconstructing and/or improving, installing, equipping and completing the Project Facility.

2.02. The Agency will adopt such proceedings and authorize the execution of such Agency documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (i) acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (ii) appointment by the Company of Additional Agents, all for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility subject to the terms of the Resolution and hereof; and (iii) the leasing or subleasing of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.

2.03 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall require the Agency to apply its funds to Project costs.

2.04. After satisfying the conditions precedent set forth in the Sections 2.02, 3.06 and 4.02 hereof and in the Inducement Resolution, the Company may proceed with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and the utilization of and, as necessary, the appointment of Additional Agents.

2.05 Subject to Section 4.02 hereof, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency, and in general to do all things which may be requisite or proper for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf.

2.06. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof. The Agency may in accordance with Article 8 of the

Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "*SEQRA*"), undertake supplemental review of the Project. Such review to be limited to specific significant adverse environmental impacts not addressed or inadequately addressed in the Agency's review under SEQRA that arise from changes in the proposed Project, newly discovered information or a change in the circumstances related to the Project.

<u>Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company</u>. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

3.01. (a) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition of a controlling interest in, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility (including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing) whether such claims or liabilities arise as a result of the Company or Additional Agents acting as agent for the Agency pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

(b) The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take all steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanics' or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.

(c) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents and anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any one of them may be liable, harmless from all claims and liabilities for loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project, including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing.

(d) The Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on the non-disclosure of information, if any, requested by the Company in accordance with Section 4.05 hereof.

(e) The defense and indemnities provided for in this Article 3 shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and shall apply whether or not the claim, liability, cause of action or expense is caused or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the activities, acts, fault or negligence of the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents, anyone under the direction and control of any of them, or anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any of them may be liable, and whether or not based upon the breach of a statutory duty or obligation or any theory or rule of comparative or apportioned liability, subject only to any specific prohibition relating to the scope of indemnities imposed by statutory law.

(f) The Company shall provide and carry: (i) worker's compensation and

disability insurance as required by law; and (ii) comprehensive liability and property insurance with such coverages (including without limitation, owner's protective coverage for the benefit of the Agency, naming the Agency as an additional insured on all policies of coverage regarding the Project; providing the coverage with respect to the Agency be primary and non-contributory; and contractual coverage covering the indemnities herein provided for), with such limits and which such companies as may be approved by the Agency. Upon the request of the Agency, the Company shall provide certificates, endorsements and/or policies of insurance in form satisfactory to the Agency evidencing such insurance.

(g) The Company shall include the Agency as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project Facility.

(h) The Company shall apply and diligently pursue all approvals, permits and consents from the State, Town of Scriba, County of Oswego and any other governmental authority which approvals, permits and consents are required under applicable law for the development and construction, reconstruction of the Project and any related site improvements. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the findings and determinations under SEQRA do not and shall not in and of themselves (except as specifically set forth in SEQRA) satisfy or be deemed to satisfy applicable laws, regulations, rules and procedural requirements applicable to such approvals, permits and consents.

3.02. The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency or otherwise, it will comply at the Company's sole cost and expense with all the requirements of all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations of whatever kind and howsoever denominated applicable to the Agency and/or Company with respect to the Project Facility, the acquisition of a controlling interest therein, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion thereof, the operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, supplemental review of adverse environmental impacts in accordance with SEQRA and the financing of the Project. Every provision required by law to be inserted herein shall be deemed to be set forth herein as if set forth in full, including, but not limited to, Section 875 of the Act; and upon the request of any party, this Agreement shall be amended to specifically set forth any such provision or provisions.

3.03. The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency, to the extent that such provisions of law are in fact applicable (without creating an obligation by contract beyond that which is created by statute), it will comply with all the requirements Section 220 of the Labor Law of the State, as amended.

3.04. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

3.05. If it should be determined that any State or local sales or compensatory use taxes are payable with respect to the acquisition, purchase or rental of machinery or equipment, materials or supplies in connection with the Project Facility, or are in any manner otherwise payable directly or indirectly in connection with the Project Facility, the Company shall pay the same and defend and indemnify the Agency from and against any liability, expenses and

penalties arising out of, directly or indirectly, the imposition of any such taxes.

3.06 The Company shall proceed with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish such purposes. The Company may utilize, and was authorized to appoint, Additional Agents as agents of the Agency, in furtherance thereof. Any appointment of an Additional Agent is conditioned upon the Company first obtaining and providing the Agency the following:

A written, executed agreement, in form and substance acceptable to the (1)Agency, from each appointed Additional Agent which provides for: (i) the assumption by the Additional Agent, for itself, certain of the obligations under this Agreement relative to the appointment, work and purchases done and made by each appointed Additional Agent; (ii) an acknowledgement by the Additional Agent to hire from the Labor Market Area during the construction period of the Project Facility whenever practicable; (iii) an acknowledgement that the Additional Agent is obligated, to timely provide the Company with the necessary information to permit the Company, pursuant to General Municipal Law §874(8), to timely file an Annual Statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Additional Agent claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on it by the Company with respect to this Project; (iv) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that in order to be entitled to the exemption, the Additional Agent shall present to the supplier or other vendor of materials or equipment for the Project Facility a completed "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (Form ST-123); (v) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that the failure to comply with the foregoing will result in the loss and recapture of the exemption; and (vi) such other terms and conditions as the Agency deems necessary; and

(2) A completed "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent for Sales Tax Purposes" (Form ST-60) for each Additional Agent appointed within fifteen (15) days of the appointment of each Additional Agent such that the Agency can execute and deliver said form to the State Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment of each such Additional Agent.

Failure of the Company to comply with the foregoing shall nullify the appointment of any Additional Agent and may result in the loss and recapture of the Company's exemption with respect to the Project at the sole discretion of the Agency.

The Company acknowledges that the assumption by the Additional Agent in accordance with Section 3.06(1) above, does not relieve the Company of its obligations under those provisions or any other provisions of this Agreement with respect to the Project.

3.07. The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligations to pay an administrative fee to the Agency in the amount of .75% of the Project costs. Such amount is due and payable in full at closing.

3.08. The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligations to pay an annual

administrative reporting fee of \$500.00 to cover administrative and reporting requirements to comply with State reporting regulations on Agency assisted projects.

## Article 4. General Provisions.

4.01. This Agreement shall take effect on the date of the execution hereof by the Agency and the Company and, subject to Section 4.04 hereof, shall remain in effect until the Lease Documents become effective. It is the intent of the Agency and the Company that, except as to those provisions that survive, this Agreement be superseded in its entirety by the Lease Documents.

4.02. (a) It is understood and agreed by the Agency and the Company that the grant of Financial Assistance and the execution of the Lease Documents and related documents are subject to: (i) payment by the Company of the Agency's fee and Agency's counsel fees; (ii) obtaining all necessary governmental approvals, permits and consents of any kind required in connection with the Project Facility; (iii) approval by the members of the Agency; (iv) approval by the Company; and (iv) the condition that there are no changes in State Law, including regulations, which prohibit or limit the Agency from fulfilling its obligations hereunder; (b) the Company, by executing this agreement, acknowledges and agrees to make, or cause its Additional Agents, whether appointed as an agent of the Agency in accordance with Section 3.06 or not, to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits given to the Project as part of the Financial Assistance available to the Agency upon request, including but not limited to the Form ST-340 for itself and each Additional Agent; (c) the Company, by executing this Agreement, acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions of Section 875(3) of the Act as if such section were fully set forth herein and further agrees to cause all of its Additional Agents to acknowledge, agree and consent to same. Without limiting the scope of the foregoing the Company acknowledges that pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act and in accordance with the Agency's recapture policy, the Agency shall, and in some instances may, recover, recapture, receive or otherwise obtain from the Company the portion of the Financial Assistance (the "Recapture Amount") consisting of: (1) (a) that portion of the State sales tax exemption to which the Company was not entitled, which is in excess of the amount of the State sales tax exemption authorized by the Agency or which is for property or services not authorized by the Agency; or (b) the full amount of such State sales tax exemption, if the Company fails to comply with a material term or condition regarding the use of the property or services as represented to the Agency in its Application or otherwise; and (2) any interest or penalties thereon imposed by the Agency or by operation of law or by judicial order or otherwise; and (d) the failure of the Company to promptly pay such Recapture Amount to the Agency will be grounds for the Commissioner to collect sales and use taxes from the Company under Article 28 of the State Tax Law, together with interest and penalties. In accordance with the Agency's Recapture Policy, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event of any of the foregoing occur or there is a Job Deficit, an Investment Deficit or a Reporting Failure (each as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy). In addition to the foregoing, the Company acknowledges and agrees that for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven

hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

4.03. The Company agrees that it will, within thirty (30) days of a written request for same, regardless of whether or not this matter closes or the Project Facility is completed: (i) reimburse the Agency for all reasonable and necessary expenses, including without limitation the fees and expenses of counsel to the Agency arising from, out of or in connection with the Project, and/or any documents executed in connection therewith, including, but not limited to any claims or actions taken by the Agency against the Company, Additional Agents or third parties; and (ii) indemnify the Agency from all losses, claims, damages and liabilities, in each case which the Agency may incur as a consequence of executing this Agreement or performing its obligations hereunder, including but not limited to, any obligations related to Additional Agents.

4.04. If for any reason the Lease Documents are not executed and delivered by the Company and the Agency on or before eighteen (18) months from the execution hereof, the provisions of this Agreement (other than the provisions of Articles 1.04, 2.02, 2.04, 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.05, 3.06, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 4.05 and 4.06, which shall survive) shall unless extended by agreement of the Agency and the Company, terminate and be of no further force or effect, and following such termination neither party shall have any rights against the other party except:

(a) The Company shall pay the Agency for all expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility;

(b) The Company shall assume and be responsible for any contracts for construction, reconstruction or purchase of equipment entered into by the Agency at the request of or as agent for the Company in connection with the Project Facility; and

(c) The Company will pay the out-of-pocket expenses of members of the Agency, counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel incurred in connection with the Project and will pay the fees of counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel for legal services relating to the Project Facility, Additional Agents or the proposed financing thereof.

4.05. The Company acknowledges that Section 875(7) of the State General Municipal Law ("GML") requires the Agency to post on its website all resolutions and agreements relating to the Company's appointment as an agent of the Agency or otherwise related to the Project, including this Agreement; and Article 6 of the State Public Officers Law declares that all records in the possession of the Agency (with certain limited exceptions) are open to public inspection and copying. If the Company feels that there are elements of the Project or information about the Company in the Agency's possession which are in the nature of trade secrets or information, the nature of which is such that if disclosed to the public or otherwise widely disseminated would cause substantial injury to the Company's competitive position, the Company must identify such elements in writing, supply same to the Agency: (i) with respect to this Agreement, prior to or contemporaneously with the execution hereof; and (ii) with respect to all other agreements executed in connection with the Project, on or before the Closing Date, and request that such elements be kept confidential in accordance with Article 6 of the Public Officers Law.

# Failure to do so will result in the posting by the Agency of all information in accordance with Section 875 of the GML.

4.06 That every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State, without regard to its conflict-of-laws provisions that if applied might require the application of the laws of another jurisdiction; and that the Company irrevocably and expressly submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State and the United States District Court for the Northern District of the State, to the exclusion of all other courts, for the purposes of litigating every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered in this Agreement as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

# **COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

## **NOVELIS CORPORATION**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

## EXHIBIT "B"

## **PILOT SCHEDULE**

Mfg. UTEP: 20 Years

Base Assessed Value: \$\_\_\_\_\_

The UTEP Exemption Schedule on the increase in the annual assessed value of the Project Facility over the Base Assessed Value.

| Year | Amount of Annual Exemption |
|------|----------------------------|
| 1    | 75%                        |
| 2    | 75%                        |
| 3    | 75%                        |
| 4    | 75%                        |
| 5    | 75%                        |
| 6    | 60%                        |
| 7    | 60%                        |
| 8    | 60%                        |
| 9    | 60%                        |
| 10   | 60%                        |
| 11   | 50%                        |
| 12   | 50%                        |
| 13   | 40%                        |
| 14   | 40%                        |
| 15   | 30%                        |
| 16   | 30%                        |
| 17   | 20%                        |
| 18   | 20%                        |
| 19   | 10%                        |
| 20   | 10%                        |
| 21   | No Exemption               |

#### **PILOT RESOLUTION**

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

## ALSO PRESENT: Casey Bunce, Kevin C. Caraccioli, John Piscitelli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

# RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF NOVELIS CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, renovation, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Novelis Corporation, a business corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and authorized to do business in the State of New York (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021, and amendments thereto on July 27, 2022, September 13, 2022 and September 19, 2022 (collectively, "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in, or license to, all or a portion of approximately 509 acres of improved real property, being part of various parcels of certain real property located at 448 County Route 1A in the Town of Scriba, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of, and construction of an approximately 46,500 square foot addition to, an existing building known as the Future Cold Mill (the "Existing **Building**") located on the Land; (iii) the construction of (a) an approximately 15,700 square foot building to be known as the Hot Mill Coolant House, (b) an approximately 10,000 square foot building to be known as the West Locker Building, (c) an adjacent 94,000 square foot parking lot; and (d) an approximately 45,000 square foot semi-truck parking area to be known as the West Side Truck Bullpen; all located on the Land (collectively, the "New Facility" and, together with the Existing Building as renovated, reconstructed and expanded, the "Facility"); (iv) upgrades to existing facilities and associated infrastructure throughout the Land; and (v) the acquisition of and installation in the Facility and in certain other buildings located on the land of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement and/or the license of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a license agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 31, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the "*Initial Resolution*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 11, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on September 27, 2022 in The Post-Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Scriba and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Scriba Planning Board acted as lead agency for the purpose of conducting a coordinated environmental review of the Project under the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "SEQRA"), 6 NYCRR Part 617, determined that the Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and issued a negative declaration dated

March 6, 2018 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in the Application, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of taxes agreement (the "*PILOT Agreement*") with respect to the Project Facility, pursuant to a payment in lieu of tax schedule (the "*PILOT Schedule*"), more fully described on **Exhibit** "A" attached hereto, and such schedule is in accordance with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exempt Policy ("*UTEP*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to the representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing job opportunities, the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County of Oswego and improve their standard of living.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. The Agency ratifies all prior resolutions adopted in connection with this proposed Project (collectively, the "*Resolutions*").

<u>Section 3.</u> Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency, and the reasons presented by the Company in support of its request for the PILOT Schedule, as set forth on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto, the PILOT Schedule is hereby approved subject to the terms and conditions of the Resolutions. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized to execute and deliver a PILOT Agreement and any related documents reflecting the PILOT Schedule in a form substantially similar to PILOT agreements used in similar transactions with the Agency which is acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board upon advice of counsel.

<u>Section 4</u>. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this resolution or any document referred to herein shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to herein on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

<u>Section 5.</u> A copy of this Resolution, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 6</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution as well as all previously approved Resolutions.

<u>Section 7.</u> Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance, including, but not limited to, a PILOT Agreement.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |     |         |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

## STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss.: COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT "A"

# **PILOT SCHEDULE**

# Mfg. UTEP: 20 Years

The UTEP Exemption Schedule on the increase in the annual assessed value of the Project Facility over the Base Assessed Value.

| Year <u>Amount of Annual Exemp</u> |              |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| 1                                  | 75%          |  |  |  |
| 2                                  | 75%          |  |  |  |
| 3                                  | 75%          |  |  |  |
| 4                                  | 75%          |  |  |  |
| 5                                  | 75%          |  |  |  |
| 6                                  | 60%          |  |  |  |
| 7                                  | 60%          |  |  |  |
| 8                                  | 60%          |  |  |  |
| 9                                  | 60%          |  |  |  |
| 10                                 | 60%          |  |  |  |
| 11                                 | 50%          |  |  |  |
| 12                                 | 50%          |  |  |  |
| 13                                 | 40%          |  |  |  |
| 14                                 | 40%          |  |  |  |
| 15                                 | 30%          |  |  |  |
| 16                                 | 30%          |  |  |  |
| 17                                 | 20%          |  |  |  |
| 18                                 | 20%          |  |  |  |
| 19                                 | 10%          |  |  |  |
| 20                                 | 10%          |  |  |  |
| 21                                 | No Exemption |  |  |  |

#### FINAL APPROVING RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

## ALSO PRESENT: Casey Bunce, Kevin C. Caraccioli, John Piscitelli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

## **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY**

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Novelis Corporation, a business corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and authorized to do business in the State of New York submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021, and amendments thereto on July 27, 2022, September 13, 2022 and September 19, 2022 (collectively, "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in, or license to, all or a portion of approximately 509 acres of improved real property, being part of various parcels of certain real property located at 448 County Route 1A in the Town of Scriba, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of, and construction of an approximately 46,500 square foot addition to, an existing building known as the Future Cold Mill (the "*Existing Building*") located on the Land; (iii) the construction of (a) an approximately 15,700 square foot building to be known as the Hot Mill Coolant House, (b) an approximately 10,000 square foot building to be known as the West Locker Building, (c) an adjacent 94,000 square foot parking lot; and (d) an approximately 45,000 square foot semi-truck parking area to be known as the West Side Truck Bullpen; all located on the Land (collectively, the "New Facility" and, together with the Existing Building as renovated, reconstructed and expanded, the "Facility"); (iv) upgrades to existing facilities and associated infrastructure throughout the Land; and (v) the acquisition of and installation in the Facility and in certain other buildings located on the land of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement and/or the license of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a license agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Scriba Planning Board acted as lead agency for the purpose of conducting a coordinated environmental review of the Project under the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "*SEQRA*"), 6 NYCRR Part 617, determined that the Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and issued a negative declaration dated March 6, 2018 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 11, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on September 27, 2022 in The Post-Standard, a newspaper of general

circulation in the Town of Scriba and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 31, 2022 (the "Initial Resolution") entitled:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPPING OF A COMMERCIAL FACILITY AT THE REOUEST OF THE NOVELIS CORPORATION CONSTITUTES Α PROJECT, DESCRIBING THE ASSISTANCE FINANCIAL REQUESTED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING A **PUBLIC HEARING** 

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on October 18, 2022 (the "*Inducement Resolution*") entitled:

**RESOLUTION UNDERTAKING THE ACQUISITION OR** CONTINUATION OF AN INTEREST IN LAND, AND THE **RECONSTRUCTION,** CONSTRUCTION, **RENOVATION**, EOUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT; APPOINTING THE COMPANY AS AGENT OF AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE THE OF THE CONSTRUCTION, **RENOVATION**, **RECONSTRUCTION,** EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; APPROVING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND **AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN** AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE COMPANY

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other

proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County; and (iv) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on October 18, 2022 (the "PILOT Resolution") entitled:

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF NOVELIS CORPORATION

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency and after considering those representations, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- A. Ratifies the findings in its Initial, Inducement and PILOT Resolutions.
- B. The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to further develop the Project in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego; and will assist the Company in its expansion.
- C. The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, construct, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- D. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project and will promote employment opportunities, help prevent economic deterioration in the Town of Scriba and the

County of Oswego by preservation of jobs and advance the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.

- E. The acquisition or continuation of an interest in the Project Facility by the Agency and the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, equipping and completion of the Project will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, construct, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, preserving and/or creating permanent private sector jobs, promoting job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project.
- F. The Project will not result in the removal of any commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act.

Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement, the Section 3. Project Agreement (as those terms are defined in the Inducement Resolution), this Resolution, the Inducement Resolution and the PILOT Resolution (collectively, the "Resolutions") and satisfaction of the requirements set forth in Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, the Agency will: (A) acquire a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (B) lease the Land and Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement between the Agency and the Company (the "Company Lease") and/or obtain a license interest in the Land and the Facility from the Company (the "License Agreement") and acquire an interest in the Equipment pursuant to one or more bills of sale from the Company (collectively, the "Bill of Sale"); sublease the Project Facility to the Company, pursuant to a sublease agreement which shall be consistent with this Resolution and approved by the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency upon the advice of counsel to the Agency (the "Agency Lease" and together with the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease and the Project Agreement, the "Lease Documents") and (C) execute and deliver any other documents necessary to effectuate the intent of the Resolutions and the granting of the Financial Assistance as contemplated by and consistent with this Resolution upon the advice of counsel to the Agency.

<u>Section 4</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Lease Documents and any other document and agreement identified herein and any such additional certificates, instruments, documents or affidavits, to pay any such other fees, charges and expenses, to make such other changes, omissions, insertions, revisions, or amendments to the documents referred to herein and to do and cause to be done any such other acts and things, as they determine, on advice of counsel to the Agency, may be necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions

contemplated by the Resolutions. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

<u>Section 5.</u> No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any document referred to above shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to above on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

<u>Section 6</u>. A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 7</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 8</u>. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |     |         |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

# STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss.: COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

### **SEQRA RESOLUTION**

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. local time, at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Kevin C. Caraccioli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

## RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS AN UNLISTED ACTION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND DETERMINING THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered

under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Felix Schoeller North America, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about September 16, 2022 (the "*Application*"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest in all or a portion of approximately 186 acres of improved real property located at 179 County Rte. 2A, in the Town of Richland, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of an existing buildings totaling approximately 586,000 square feet located on the Land (the "Facility") for the expanded use as an office, manufacturing and distribution facility for production of digital imaging products and other specialty grades of paper; and (vi) the acquisition and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "*Project Facility*"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "SEQRA"), the Agency is required to make a determination with respect to the environmental impact of any "action" (as defined by SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency and the approval of the Project and grant of Financial Assistance constitute such an action; and

WHEREAS, to aid in the determination of whether the Project may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Company prepared an Environmental Assessment Form (the "*EAF*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has examined and reviewed the EAF in order to classify the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted thorough review of the Project and its potential effects; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

Section 1. Based upon an examination of the EAF prepared by the Company, the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c), and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the

area surrounding the Project Facility, all the representations made by the Company in connection with the Project, and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project pursuant to SEQRA:

(a) The Project consists of the components described above in the third whereas clause of this resolution;

(b) The Project constitutes an "Unlisted" action (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA);

(c) The Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, and the Agency hereby issues and adopts a negative declaration pursuant to SEQRA, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 2. A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

**Section 3**. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |     |         |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

### **STATE OF NEW YORK** )

) SS.: COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chair of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Section 104 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Section 104, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT A

# **NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

#### **INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION**

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Kevin C. Caraccioli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

RESOLUTION UNDERTAKING THE ACQUISITION, RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT, APPOINTING FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC. (THE "COMPANY") AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; APPROVING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE COMPANY.

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Felix Schoeller North America, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about September 16, 2022, as amended ("Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest in all or a portion of approximately 186 acres of improved real property located at 179 County Rte. 2A, in the Town of Richland, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of existing buildings totaling approximately 586,000 square feet located on the Land (the "Facility") for the expanded use as an office, manufacturing and distribution facility for production of digital imaging products and other specialty grades of paper; and (vi) the acquisition and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency adopted a resolution on September 28, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the "*Initial Resolution*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 17, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on October 4, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of tax ("PILOT") schedule, and such schedule constitutes a deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("UTEP") established pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated October 7, 2022 the Agency gave to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions notice pursuant to Section 874 of the Act of this meeting (the "Notice"), at which the Agency would consider the Company's request for a PILOT schedule which deviates from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, prior to the date hereof, the Agency responded to all communications and correspondence received from the Affected Tax Jurisdiction regarding the proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

**WHEREAS,** no representatives from the Affected Tax Jurisdictions were present at this meeting to address the Agency regarding such proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to begin the reconstruction and renovation of the Project Facility and the acquisition of Equipment prior to the execution and delivery of final documents and agreements in connection with the Project, the Company has requested the temporary appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency for sales and use tax purposes; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the temporary appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency for sales and use tax purposes, the Agency and the Company will enter into a preliminary project agreement and certain related documents (the "*Interim Documents*") with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, simultaneously with the execution of the Interim Documents, the Agency will file with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance the form entitled "IDA Appointment of Project Sublessee or Agent for Sales Tax Purposes" (the form required to be filed pursuant to Section 874(9) of the Act) (the "*Thirty-Day Sales Tax Form*"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "SEQRA"), the Agency is required to make a determination whether the "action" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency may have a "significant impact on the environment" (as said quoted term is utilized in SEQRA) and the preliminary agreement of the Agency to undertake of the Project constitutes such an action; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution determining that pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review the Project constitutes an Unlisted Action requiring no further review under SEQRA and issued a negative declaration (the "SEQRA Resolution"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency has considered the policy, purposes and requirements of the Act in making its determinations with respect to taking official action regarding the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs and advancing job opportunities, the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County of Oswego and improve their standard of living;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency and after considering those representations, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- A. Ratifies the findings in its Initial Resolution and SEQRA Resolution.
- B. The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of the Act.
- C. The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to develop the Project in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego. The Financial Assistance consists solely of exemptions from real estate transfer taxes, real property taxes, and State and local sales and use tax.
- D. The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- E. The acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project and will promote employment opportunities, help prevent economic deterioration in the Town of Richland and the County of Oswego and advance the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.
- F. The acquisition of an interest in the Project Facility by the Agency and the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, preserving and/or creating permanent private sector jobs, promoting job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project.
- G. The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed

occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State.

H. The Project is located in a "highly distressed area", as such term is defined in the Act. The Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State. The Agency is authorized to provide Financial Assistance in respect of the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(b)(ii) of the Act; provided however, that no Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency until the applicable provisions of Section 862(2)(c) of the Act have been complied with.

<u>Section 3.</u> Subject to the due execution and delivery by the Company of the Agreement (as defined herein) and the Interim Documents, the satisfaction of the conditions of this Resolution, the Agreement and the Interim Documents, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to proceed with the reconstruction, renovation, installation, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf. Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, provided the Company execute and deliver the Interim Documents; and satisfies the balance of the conditions set forth in this Resolution, the Interim Documents and the Agreement, the Company need not execute the Lease Documents (as defined below) prior to the effectiveness of the Company appointment as the Agency's agents.

<u>Section 4.</u> Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement (as defined herein), the Agency's approval of the PILOT schedule and the execution and delivery of the Project Agreement (as defined herein), the Agency will: (i) acquire or continue a controlling interest in the Land and Facility pursuant to a lease agreement (the "*Company Lease*") to be entered into between the Company and the Agency and accept an interest in the Equipment, if any, pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company (the "*Bill of Sale*"); (ii) sublease the Facility to the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Project Agreement and any other certificates and documents deemed necessary by the Agency to undertake the Project, collectively, the "*Lease Documents*") to be entered into among the Agency and the Company.

<u>Section 5.</u> The terms and conditions of subdivision 3 of Section 875 of the Act are herein incorporated by reference and the Company shall agree to such terms as a condition precedent to receiving or benefiting from an exemption from State sales and use tax exemptions benefits. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall not exceed \$320,000 and shall last no longer than two years from the execution and delivery of the Agency Documents. The Agency may consider any requests by the Company for increases to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services.

# Section 6. Reserved.

<u>Section 7.</u> Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of real

property tax abatement benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall be approximately \$1,693,900, which such amount reflects the total estimated real property tax exemptions for the Project Facility (which constitute those taxes that would have been paid if the Project Facility were on the tax rolls and not subject to that certain payment in lieu of tax agreement between the Company and the Agency (the "PILOT Agreement") of approximately **\$4,473,461**, less the estimated payments in lieu of taxes of approximately **\$2,779,561** to be made by the Company to the affected tax jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility during the term of the PILOT Agreement. The approximate amount of estimated real property tax exemptions and the approximate amount of estimated payments in lieu of taxes are estimated based on an assumed assessed value of the Project Facility and assumed future tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions, therefore the real property tax abatement benefit is estimated because it is calculated using the estimated real property tax exemptions. The actual amount of real property tax abatement benefit is subject to change over the term of the PILOT Agreement depending on any changes to assessed value and/or tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions. *Exhibit "B"* attached hereto reflects the calculation used to determine the annual amount of the payments in lieu of taxes to be made to the affected tax jurisdictions in each year during the term of the PILOT Agreement.

The Company may utilize, and is hereby authorized to appoint, a Project Section 8. operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, "Additional Agents") to proceed with the reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf, provided the Company execute, deliver and comply with the Lease Documents and/or the Interim Documents, as applicable. The Company shall provide, or cause its Additional Agents to provide, and the Agency shall maintain, records of the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits provided to the Project; and the Company shall, and cause each Additional Agent, to make such records available to the State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance (the "Commissioner") and the Agency upon request. The Agency shall, within thirty (30) days of providing any State sales and use tax exemption benefits, report to the Commissioner the amount of such benefits for the Project, identifying the Project, along with any such other information and specificity as the Commissioner may prescribe. As a condition precedent to the Company or Project's receipt of, or benefit from, any State or local sales and use tax exemptions, the Company must acknowledge and agree to make, or cause its Additional Agents to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits realized by the Project available to the Agency or its designee upon request. For purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

<u>Section 9.</u> As a condition to the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Company agrees to execute an agreement with the Agency setting forth the preliminary undertakings of the Agency and the Company with respect to the Project. The form and substance of the proposed agreement (as set forth as on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto and presented at this meeting) (the "*Agreement*") are hereby approved. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agreement, in substantially the same form as presented at this meeting and attached hereto as

**Exhibit "A"**, with changes in terms and form as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

As an additional condition precedent to the extension of Financial Section 10. Assistance, the Company shall acknowledge and agree, that the Agency shall, and in some cases may, recapture from the Company or any Additional Agent the State sales and use tax exemption (the "Recapture Amount") taken or purported to be taken by any such person to which the person or Project is not entitled or which are in excess of the amounts authorized or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where such Company or Additional Agent failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by agreements with, or for the benefit of, the Agency. The Company or Additional Agents shall cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State sales and use tax exemptions benefits and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Agency shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State sales and use taxes due from the Company and/or Additional Agents under article twenty-eight of the tax law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts. In addition, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Deficit (as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy).

As an additional condition precedent to the extension of Financial Section 11. Assistance, the Company shall acknowledge and agree that the Agency shall recapture from the Company or any Additional Agent the State sales and use tax exemption (the "Recapture Amount") taken or purported to be taken by any such person to which the person or Project is not entitled or which are in excess of the amounts authorized or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where such Company or Additional Agent failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by the Company or Additional Agents agreement with, or for the benefit of, the Agency. Such Company or Additional Agent shall cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State sales and use exemptions benefits and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Agency shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State sales and use taxes due from the Company and/or Additional Agent under article twenty-eight of the tax law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts. In addition, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Job Deficit, an Investment Deficit or a Reporting Failure (each as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy).

**Section 12.** As another condition precedent to the extension of Financial Assistance, the Company and the Agency shall execute and deliver a project agreement (the "*Project Agreement*") setting forth certain terms and conditions relative to the approved Financial Assistance.

Section 13. Subject to the due execution and delivery by the Company of the Agreement and the Project Agreement, the satisfaction of the conditions of this Resolution, the Agreement, the Project Agreement and the payment by the Company of any attendant fees due to or incurred by the Agency, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to proceed with the

reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf. The appointment made by this Section shall not be effective until the Agreement and the Project Agreement and an Environmental Compliance and Indemnification Agreement (as defined herein) by the Company in favor of the Agency have been duly executed and delivered by the Company.

<u>Section 14</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board, acting individually, are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the documents and agreements identified herein and any such additional certificates, instruments, documents or affidavits, to pay any such other fees, charges and expenses, to make such other changes, omissions, insertions, revisions, or amendments to the documents referred herein and to do and cause to be done any such other acts and things, as they determine, on advice of counsel to the Agency, may be necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution and the Agreement.

<u>Section 15</u>. The obligation of the Agency to consummate any transaction contemplated herein or hereby is subject to and conditioned upon the execution and delivery of, among other things, an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement (the "*Environmental Compliance and Indemnification Agreement*") in favor of the Agency in form and substance acceptable to the Agency and its counsel by the Company and some or all of its principals, in the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board.

<u>Section 16</u>. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any document referred to herein shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to herein on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

Section 17. Should the Agency's participation in the Project, or the appointments made in accordance herewith, be challenged by any party, in the courts or otherwise, the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Agency and its members, officers and employees from any and all losses arising from any such challenge including, but not limited to, the fees and disbursement of the Agency's counsel. Should any court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Agency is not authorized under the Act to participate in the Project, this Resolution shall automatically become null, void and of no further force and effect, and the Agency shall have no liability to the Company hereunder or otherwise.

Section 18. A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 19.</u> The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 20. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to

work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and consummate the Lease Documents.

Section 21. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |     |         |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |     |         |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

### **STATE OF NEW YORK** )

) ss.:

### COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

### **EXHIBIT "A"**

### AGENCY/COMPANY AGREEMENT

This Agreement is by and among the COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (the "Agency"), FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC. a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (the "Company").

Article 1. <u>Preliminary Statement</u>. Among the matters of mutual inducement which have resulted in the execution of this Agreement are the following:

1.01. The Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "*State*"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "*Act*") to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with "Projects" (as defined in the Act) and to lease or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable and designate an agent for constructing, reconstructing, renovating and/or improving and equipping "projects" (as defined in the Act).

1.02. The purposes of the Act are to promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry in order to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration. The Act vests the Agency with all powers necessary to enable it to accomplish such purposes, including the power to grant financial assistance, acquire and dispose of interests in real property and to appoint agents for the purpose of completion of projects undertaken by the Agency.

1.03. Novelis Corporation, a Texas corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021 (the "Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest in all or a portion of approximately 186 acres of improved real property located at 179 County Rte. 2A, in the Town of Richland, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of existing buildings totaling approximately 586,000 square feet located on the Land (the "Facility") for the expanded use as an office, manufacturing and distribution facility for production of digital imaging products and other specialty grades of paper; and (vi) the acquisition and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease

of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

(b) All documents necessary to effectuate the Agency's undertaking of the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance between the Agency and the Company, including but not limited to, a company lease, a bill of sale, an agency lease, a project agreement and an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement and a payment in lieu of tax agreement, shall be collectively referred to herein as the "*Lease Documents*".

1.04. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that undertaking the Project, the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, reconstruction, and/or improving, installation equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and the appointment by the Company of a Project operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, "Additional Agents"): (i) will be an inducement to it to acquire, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, equip and complete the Project Facility in the County of Oswego (the "County") and assist the Company in expanding and maintaining its competitive advantage in its industry; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) undertaking the Project will promote, create and/or preserve private sector jobs in the State. The Company hereby further represents to the Agency that the Project Facility is not primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit the Facility.

1.05. The Agency has determined that the acquisition or continuation of a controlling interest in, and the reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation and equipping of the Project Facility and the subleasing of the same to the Company will promote and further the purposes of the Act.

1.06 On October 18, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution (the "Inducement **Resolution**") agreeing, subject to the satisfaction of all conditions precedent set forth in such Resolution, to designate the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and determining that the leasing of the same to the Company will promote further purposes of the Act. For purposes of that designation, the Agency authorized as part of the approved Financial Assistance, State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits in an amount not to exceed **\$3,800,000**, and the amount of real property tax abatement benefits in an approximate amount of **\$1,693,900**.

1.07 In the Resolution, subject to the execution of, and compliance with, this Agreement by the Company, and other conditions set forth in the Resolution and herein, the Agency appointed the Company as its agent for the purposes of acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, entering into contracts and doing all things requisite and proper for the acquisition, reconstruction, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion.

<u>Article 2.</u> <u>Undertakings on the Part of the Agency</u>. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

2.01. The Agency confirms that it has authorized and designated the Company as the Agency's agent for acquiring, reconstructing, renovating and/or improving, installing, equipping and completing the Project Facility.

2.02. The Agency will adopt such proceedings and authorize the execution of such Agency documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (i) acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (ii) appointment by the Company of Additional Agents, all for the acquisition, reconstruction, renovating and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility subject to the terms of the Resolution and hereof; and (iii) the leasing or subleasing of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.

2.03 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall require the Agency to apply its funds to Project costs.

2.04. After satisfying the conditions precedent set forth in the Sections 2.02, 3.06 and 4.02 hereof and in the Inducement Resolution, the Company may proceed with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and the utilization of and, as necessary, the appointment of Additional Agents.

2.05 Subject to Section 4.02 hereof, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency for the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency, and in general to do all things which may be requisite or proper for the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation, and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf.

2.06. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof. The Agency may in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "*SEQRA*"), undertake supplemental review of the Project. Such review to be limited to specific significant adverse environmental impacts not addressed or inadequately addressed in the Agency's review under SEQRA that arise from changes in the proposed Project, newly discovered information or a change in the circumstances related to the Project.

<u>Article 3.</u> <u>Undertakings on the Part of the Company</u>. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

3.01. (a) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition of a controlling interest in, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility (including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing) whether such claims or liabilities arise as a result of the Company or Additional Agents acting as agent for the Agency pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

(b) The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take all steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanics' or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.

(c) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents and anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any one of them may be liable, harmless from all claims and liabilities for loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project, including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing.

(d) The Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on the non-disclosure of information, if any, requested by the Company in accordance with Section 4.05 hereof.

(e) The defense and indemnities provided for in this Article 3 shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and shall apply whether or not the claim, liability, cause of action or expense is caused or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the activities, acts, fault or negligence of the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents, anyone under the direction and control of any of them, or anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any of them may be liable, and whether or not based upon the breach of a statutory duty or obligation or any theory or rule of comparative or apportioned liability, subject only to any specific prohibition relating to the scope of indemnities imposed by statutory law.

(f) The Company shall provide and carry: (i) worker's compensation and disability insurance as required by law; and (ii) comprehensive liability and property insurance with such coverages (including without limitation, owner's protective coverage for the benefit of the Agency, naming the Agency as an additional insured on all policies of coverage regarding the Project; providing the coverage with respect to the Agency be primary and non-contributory; and contractual coverage covering the indemnities herein provided for), with such limits and which such companies as may be approved by the Agency. Upon the request of the Agency, the Company shall provide certificates, endorsements and/or policies of insurance in form satisfactory to the Agency evidencing such insurance.

(g) The Company shall include the Agency as a named insured under all

public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project Facility.

(h) The Company shall apply and diligently pursue all approvals, permits and consents from the State, Town of Scriba, County of Oswego and any other governmental authority which approvals, permits and consents are required under applicable law for the development and reconstruction, renovation of the Project and any related site improvements. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the findings and determinations under SEQRA do not and shall not in and of themselves (except as specifically set forth in SEQRA) satisfy or be deemed to satisfy applicable laws, regulations, rules and procedural requirements applicable to such approvals, permits and consents.

3.02. The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency or otherwise, it will comply at the Company's sole cost and expense with all the requirements of all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations of whatever kind and howsoever denominated applicable to the Agency and/or Company with respect to the Project Facility, the acquisition of a controlling interest therein, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion thereof, the operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, supplemental review of adverse environmental impacts in accordance with SEQRA and the financing of the Project. Every provision required by law to be inserted herein shall be deemed to be set forth herein as if set forth in full, including, but not limited to, Section 875 of the Act; and upon the request of any party, this Agreement shall be amended to specifically set forth any such provision or provisions.

3.03. The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency, to the extent that such provisions of law are in fact applicable (without creating an obligation by contract beyond that which is created by statute), it will comply with all the requirements Section 220 of the Labor Law of the State, as amended.

3.04. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement its aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

3.05. If it should be determined that any State or local sales or compensatory use taxes are payable with respect to the acquisition, purchase or rental of machinery or equipment, materials or supplies in connection with the Project Facility, or are in any manner otherwise payable directly or indirectly in connection with the Project Facility, the Company shall pay the same and defend and indemnify the Agency from and against any liability, expenses and penalties arising out of, directly or indirectly, the imposition of any such taxes.

3.06 The Company shall proceed with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish such purposes. The Company may utilize, and was authorized to appoint, Additional Agents as agents of the Agency, in furtherance thereof. Any appointment of an Additional Agent is conditioned upon the Company first obtaining and providing the Agency the following:

(1) A written, executed agreement, in form and substance acceptable to the

Agency, from each appointed Additional Agent which provides for: (i) the assumption by the Additional Agent, for itself, certain of the obligations under this Agreement relative to the appointment, work and purchases done and made by each appointed Additional Agent; (ii) an acknowledgement by the Additional Agent to hire from the Labor Market Area during the construction period of the Project Facility whenever practicable; (iii) an acknowledgement that the Additional Agent is obligated, to timely provide the Company with the necessary information to permit the Company, pursuant to General Municipal Law §874(8), to timely file an Annual Statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Additional Agent claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on it by the Company with respect to this Project; (iv) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that in order to be entitled to the exemption, the Additional Agent shall present to the supplier or other vendor of materials or equipment for the Project Facility a completed "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (Form ST-123); (v) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that the failure to comply with the foregoing will result in the loss and recapture of the exemption; and (vi) such other terms and conditions as the Agency deems necessary; and

(2) A completed "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent for Sales Tax Purposes" (Form ST-60) for each Additional Agent appointed within fifteen (15) days of the appointment of each Additional Agent such that the Agency can execute and deliver said form to the State Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment of each such Additional Agent.

Failure of the Company to comply with the foregoing shall nullify the appointment of any Additional Agent and may result in the loss and recapture of the Company's exemption with respect to the Project at the sole discretion of the Agency.

The Company acknowledges that the assumption by the Additional Agent in accordance with Section 3.06(1) above, does not relieve the Company of its obligations under those provisions or any other provisions of this Agreement with respect to the Project.

3.07. The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligations to pay an administrative fee to the Agency in the amount of .75% of the Project costs. Such amount is due and payable in full at closing.

3.08. The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligations to pay an annual administrative reporting fee of \$500.00 to cover administrative and reporting requirements to comply with State reporting regulations on Agency assisted projects.

#### Article 4. General Provisions.

4.01. This Agreement shall take effect on the date of the execution hereof by the Agency and the Company and, subject to Section 4.04 hereof, shall remain in effect until the Lease Documents become effective. It is the intent of the Agency and the Company that, except as to those provisions that survive, this Agreement be superseded in its entirety by the Lease Documents.

4.02. (a) It is understood and agreed by the Agency and the Company that the grant of Financial Assistance and the execution of the Lease Documents and related documents are subject to: (i) payment by the Company of the Agency's fee and Agency's counsel fees; (ii) obtaining all necessary governmental approvals, permits and consents of any kind required in connection with the Project Facility; (iii) approval by the members of the Agency; (iv) approval by the Company; and (iv) the condition that there are no changes in State Law, including regulations, which prohibit or limit the Agency from fulfilling its obligations hereunder; (b) the Company, by executing this agreement, acknowledges and agrees to make, or cause its Additional Agents, whether appointed as an agent of the Agency in accordance with Section 3.06 hereof or not, to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits given to the Project as part of the Financial Assistance available to the Agency upon request, including but not limited to the Form ST-340 for itself and each Additional Agent; (c) the Company, by executing this Agreement, acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions of Section 875(3) of the Act as if such section were fully set forth herein and further agrees to cause all of its Additional Agents to acknowledge, agree and consent to same. Without limiting the scope of the foregoing the Company acknowledges that pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act and in accordance with the Agency's recapture policy, the Agency shall, and in some instances may, recover, recapture, receive or otherwise obtain from the Company the portion of the Financial Assistance (the "Recapture Amount") consisting of: (1) (a) that portion of the State sales tax exemption to which the Company was not entitled, which is in excess of the amount of the State sales tax exemption authorized by the Agency or which is for property or services not authorized by the Agency; or (b) the full amount of such State sales tax exemption, if the Company fails to comply with a material term or condition regarding the use of the property or services as represented to the Agency in its Application or otherwise; and (2) any interest or penalties thereon imposed by the Agency or by operation of law or by judicial order or otherwise; and (d) the failure of the Company to promptly pay such Recapture Amount to the Agency will be grounds for the Commissioner to collect sales and use taxes from the Company under Article 28 of the State Tax Law, together with interest and penalties. In accordance with the Agency's Recapture Policy, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event of any of the foregoing occur or there is a Job Deficit, an Investment Deficit or a Reporting Failure (each as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy). In addition to the foregoing, the Company acknowledges and agrees that for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

4.03. The Company agrees that it will, within thirty (30) days of a written request for

same, regardless of whether or not this matter closes or the Project Facility is completed: (i) reimburse the Agency for all reasonable and necessary expenses, including without limitation the fees and expenses of counsel to the Agency arising from, out of or in connection with the Project, and/or any documents executed in connection therewith, including, but not limited to any claims or actions taken by the Agency against the Company, Additional Agents or third parties; and (ii) indemnify the Agency from all losses, claims, damages and liabilities, in each case which the Agency may incur as a consequence of executing this Agreement or performing its obligations hereunder, including but not limited to, any obligations related to Additional Agents.

4.04. If for any reason the Lease Documents are not executed and delivered by the Company and the Agency on or before eighteen (18) months from the execution hereof, the provisions of this Agreement (other than the provisions of Articles 1.04, 2.02, 2.04, 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.05, 3.06, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 4.05 and 4.06, which shall survive) shall unless extended by agreement of the Agency and the Company, terminate and be of no further force or effect, and following such termination neither party shall have any rights against the other party except:

(a) The Company shall pay the Agency for all expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility;

(b) The Company shall assume and be responsible for any contracts for reconstruction, renovation or purchase of equipment entered into by the Agency at the request of or as agent for the Company in connection with the Project Facility; and

(c) The Company will pay the out-of-pocket expenses of members of the Agency, counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel incurred in connection with the Project and will pay the fees of counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel for legal services relating to the Project Facility, Additional Agents or the proposed financing thereof.

4.05. The Company acknowledges that Section 875(7) of the State General Municipal Law ("GML") requires the Agency to post on its website all resolutions and agreements relating to the Company's appointment as an agent of the Agency or otherwise related to the Project, including this Agreement; and Article 6 of the State Public Officers Law declares that all records in the possession of the Agency (with certain limited exceptions) are open to public inspection and copying. If the Company feels that there are elements of the Project or information about the Company in the Agency's possession which are in the nature of trade secrets or information, the nature of which is such that if disclosed to the public or otherwise widely disseminated would cause substantial injury to the Company's competitive position, the Company must identify such elements in writing, supply same to the Agency: (i) with respect to this Agreement, prior to or contemporaneously with the execution hereof; and (ii) with respect to all other agreements executed in connection with the Project, on or before the Closing Date, and request that such elements be kept confidential in accordance with Article 6 of the Public Officers Law. Failure to do so will result in the posting by the Agency of all information in accordance with Section 875 of the GML.

4.06 That every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State, without regard to its conflict-of-laws provisions that if applied might require the application of the laws of another jurisdiction; and that the Company irrevocably and expressly submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State and the United States District Court for the Northern District of the State, to the exclusion of all other courts, for the purposes of litigating every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered in this Agreement as of , 2022.

# **COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

## FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC.

By: Name: Title:

# EXHIBIT "B"

### **PILOT SCHEDULE**

Term: 20 Years

Annual payments: PILOT payment will be \$122,776 in years 1 through 5 and will increase 2% annually thereafter beginning in year 6
Distribution of annual PILOT Payments will be based on the pro-rata share of each of the taxing authorities for each respective year.

#### **PILOT RESOLUTION**

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on October 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair and, upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

- **PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble
- ABSENT: None
- ALSO PRESENT: Kevin C. Caraccioli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

## **RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC.**

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, installation and equipping of one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Felix Schoeller North America, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about September 16, 2022, as amended ("Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest in all or a portion of approximately 186 acres of improved real property located at 179 County Rte. 2A, in the Town of Richland, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of existing buildings totaling approximately 586,000 square feet located on the Land (the "Facility") for the expanded use as an office, manufacturing and distribution facility for production of digital imaging products and other specialty grades of paper; and (vi) the acquisition and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on September 22, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the "*Initial Resolution*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 17, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on October 4, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "SEQRA"), the Agency is required to make a determination whether the "action" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency may have a "significant impact on the environment" (as said quoted term is utilized in SEQRA) and the preliminary agreement of the Agency to undertake of the Project constitutes such an action; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution determining that pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review that the Project constitutes an Unlisted Action and will not have a significant effect on the environment (the "SEQRA Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2022 the Agency adopted a Resolution (the "*Inducement Resolution*") agreeing to undertake the Project and appointing the Companies as its agents for purposes of completing the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, in the Application, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of taxes agreement (the "*PILOT Agreement*") with respect to the Project Facility, pursuant to a payment in lieu of tax schedule (the "*PILOT Schedule*"), more fully described on **Exhibit** "A" attached hereto; and such schedule constitutes a deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("*UTEP*") established pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act, but comports with other payment in lieu of taxes schedules relative to other similar projects; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated October 7, 2022, the Agency gave to the chief executive officers of the affected taxing jurisdictions notice pursuant to Section 874 of the Act of this meeting at which the Agency would consider the Companies' request for a PILOT schedule which deviates from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, prior to the date hereof, the Agency responded to all communications and correspondence received from the affected taxing jurisdictions regarding the proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, no representatives from the affected tax jurisdictions were present at this meeting to address the Agency regarding such proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to the representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing job opportunities, the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County of Oswego and improve their standard of living.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. The Agency ratifies all prior resolutions adopted in connection with this proposed Project (collectively, the "*Resolutions*").

<u>Section 3.</u> Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency, and the reasons presented by the Company in support of its request for the PILOT Schedule, as set forth on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto, the PILOT Schedule is hereby approved subject to the terms and conditions of the Resolutions. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized to execute and deliver a PILOT Agreement and any related documents reflecting the PILOT Schedule in a form substantially similar to PILOT agreements used in similar transactions with the Agency which is acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairman of the Board upon advice of counsel.

<u>Section 4</u>. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this resolution or any document referred to herein shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to herein on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

<u>Section 5</u>. A copy of this Resolution, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 5</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution as well as all previously approved Resolutions.

<u>Section 6.</u> Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance, including, but not limited to, a PILOT Agreement.

Section 8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | <u>Nay</u> | <u>Abstain</u> | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |            |                |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

# STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss.: COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT "A"

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**PRESENT:** Nick Canale, Jr., Marc Greco, Tricia Peter-Clark, H. Leonard Schick, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

## ALSO PRESENT: Kevin C. Caraccioli, Morris Sorbello L. Michael Treadwell, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded

## **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY**

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WHEREAS, Felix Schoeller North America, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), submitted an application to the Agency on or about September 16, 2022, as amended ("Application"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest in all or a portion of approximately 186 acres of improved real property located at 179 County Rte. 2A, in the Town of Richland, New York, Oswego County (the "Land"); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of existing buildings totaling approximately 586,000 square feet located on the Land (the "Facility") for the expanded use as an office, manufacturing and distribution facility for production of digital imaging products and other specialty grades of paper; and (vi) the acquisition and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment") (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on October 17, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on October 4, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated September 27, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of tax ("*PILOT*") schedule, and such schedule constitutes a deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy ("*UTEP*") established pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated October 7, 2022 the Agency gave to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions notice pursuant to Section 874 of the Act of this meeting, at which the Agency would consider the Company's request for a PILOT schedule which deviates from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, prior to the date hereof, the Agency responded to all communications and correspondence received from the affected taxing jurisdictions regarding the proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

**WHEREAS**, no representatives from the affected taxing jurisdictions were present at this meeting to address the Agency regarding such proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on September 28, 2022 (the "Initial Resolution") entitled:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPPING OF A COMMERCIAL FACILITY AT THE REQUEST OF FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC. CONSTITUTES A PROJECT, DESCRIBING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on October 18, 2022 (the "SEQRA Resolution") entitled:

## RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS AN UNLISTED ACTION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND DETERMINING THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on October 18, 2022 (the "*Inducement Resolution*") entitled:

RESOLUTION UNDERTAKING THE **ACQUISITION**, **RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION EQUIPPING AND** COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT, APPOINTING FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA, INC. (THE "COMPANY") AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, RECONSTRUCTION, **RENOVATION. EOUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE** APPROVING **PROJECT:** CERTAIN **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY** AND THE COMPANY

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego; (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing job opportunities, the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and the County; (iv) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on October 18, 2022 (the "PILOT Resolution") entitled:

## RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF FELIX SCHOELLER NORTH AMERICA INC.

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

Section 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency and after considering those representations, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- A. Ratifies the findings in its Initial, SEQRA, Inducement and PILOT Resolutions.
- B. The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to further develop the Project in the Town of Scriba, County of Oswego; and will assist the Company in the reconstruction, renovation, installation and equipping of the Project Facility.

- A. The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, renovate, reconstruct and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- B. The acquisition, renovation, reconstruction and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project and will promote employment opportunities, help prevent economic deterioration in the Town of Richland and the County of Oswego and advance the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.
- C. The acquisition or continuation of an interest in the Project Facility by the Agency and the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation, equipping and completion of the Project will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, reconstruct, renovate and/or improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Richland, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, preserving and/or creating permanent private sector jobs, promoting job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and/or improving, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.
- D. The Project will not result in the removal of any commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility 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 or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act.
  - C. The Project is located in a "highly distressed area", as such term is defined in the Act. The Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State. The Agency is authorized to provide Financial Assistance in respect of the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(b)(ii) of the Act; provided however, that no Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency until the applicable provisions of Section 862(2)(c) of the Act have been complied with.

<u>Section 3.</u> Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement, the Project Agreement (as those terms are defined in the Inducement Resolution), this Resolution, the Inducement Resolution, the SEQRA Resolution and the PILOT Resolution (collectively, the "*Resolutions*") and satisfaction of the requirements set forth in Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, the Agency will: (A) acquire a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (B) lease the Land and Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease agreement between the Agency and the Company (the "*Company Lease*") and acquire an interest in the Equipment pursuant to one or more bills of sale from the Company (collectively, the "*Bill of Sale*"); sublease the Project Facility to the Company, pursuant to a sublease agreement which shall be consistent with this Resolution and

approved by the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency upon the advice of counsel to the Agency (the "*Agency Lease*" and together with the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease and the Project Agreement, the "*Lease Documents*") and (C) execute and deliver any other documents necessary to effectuate the intent of the Resolutions and the granting of the Financial Assistance as contemplated by and consistent with this Resolution upon the advice of counsel to the Agency.

<u>Section 4</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Lease Documents and any other document and agreement identified herein and any such additional certificates, instruments, documents or affidavits, to pay any such other fees, charges and expenses, to make such other changes, omissions, insertions, revisions, or amendments to the documents referred to herein and to do and cause to be done any such other acts and things, as they determine, on advice of counsel to the Agency, may be necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Resolutions. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer or (Vice) Chairperson shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

<u>Section 5.</u> No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any document referred to above shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to above on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

<u>Section 6</u>. A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

<u>Section 7</u>. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 8</u>. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                    | Aye | <u>Nay</u> | <u>Abstain</u> | Absent | Recuse |
|--------------------|-----|------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| Nick Canale, Jr.   | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Tricia Peter-Clark | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Marc Greco         | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Tim Stahl          | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| H. Leonard Schick  | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Gary T. Toth       | Х   |            |                |        |        |
| Barry Trimble      | Х   |            |                |        |        |

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

# STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss.: COUNTY OF OSWEGO )

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the "*Agency*") held on October 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting, (ii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "*Open Meetings Law*"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on October 18, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell Chief Executive Officer

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