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**PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AGREEMENT**

THIS PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into effective on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 (the “Effective Date”), by \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ (“Bidder”), in favor of Entergy Louisiana, LLC (“ELL”).

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, in response to ELL’s 3 GW Alternative Market-Based Mechanism Process Request for Proposals for Solar Photovoltaic Resources (as amended, supplemented, or otherwise modified, the “RFP”), Bidder is submitting and delivering to ELL one or more Proposals (defined below) and a signed original of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Bidder desires to continue to participate in a competitive bidding process for the procurement by ELL of solar photovoltaic resources pursuant to the RFP (the “RFP Process”) on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Bidder intends for the terms of this Agreement to be enforceable by ELL against Bidder;

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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Bidder hereby agrees as follows:

1. Definitions. Each of the following terms, when used in this Agreement with the initial letters capitalized, has the meaning ascribed to it below:

“Bid Event Coordinator” means the administrator of the RFP set forth in Section 1.5 of the main body of the RFP.

“Bidder Representative” means any officer, employee, agent, consultant, advisor, or representative of Bidder or any of its affiliates. For the avoidance of doubt, ELL is not, and shall not be considered, a Bidder Representative in connection with the RFP or the RFP Process.

“Definitive Agreement” means a legally binding agreement, mutually executed and delivered by duly authorized representatives of ELL and Bidder (or the seller under the proposal submitted by Bidder that is the basis of such agreement), setting forth the definitive terms and conditions of a Transaction. For the avoidance of doubt, a “Definitive Agreement” does not include a letter of intent, a memorandum of understanding, other similar preliminary written agreement or document with respect to a Transaction, or any acceptance, written, oral, or other, by ELL or any ELL Representative of any offer or proposal submitted by Bidder (or the seller pursuant to or in connection with the Proposal).

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“ELL Representative” means any officer, employee, agent, affiliate, consultant, advisor, or representative of ELL.

“FERC” means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or any successor thereto.

“Independent Monitor” or “IM” means Mr. Wayne Oliver of Merrimack Energy Group Inc., an independent consulting firm retained by ELL to act as independent monitor for the RFP.

“Law” means any applicable constitution, statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, treaty, order, code, or other law or legal requirement issued, enacted, adopted, promulgated, implemented, or otherwise put into effect by or under the authority of any governmental authority with jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the common law.

“LPSC” means the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

“Proposal” means any offer to enter into a Transaction submitted (or to be submitted) by Bidder pursuant to the RFP.

“Transaction” means a commercial transaction arising out of or resulting from the RFP in which Bidder (or the seller under the proposal submitted by Bidder that is the basis of such transaction) sells or agrees to sell to ELL a specified solar photovoltaic generation resource under a build-own-transfer acquisition arrangement or energy, capacity, capacity-related benefits, other electric products, and environmental attributes from a specified solar photovoltaic generation resource under a power purchase arrangement, pursuant to a Definitive Agreement.

Other terms used in this Agreement with the initial letters capitalized have the meanings given to them elsewhere in this Agreement.

2. Certain Bidder Representations, Warranties, and Covenants. Bidder represents and warrants and, as applicable, covenants to ELL as follows:

(a) Bidder has all requisite power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder. The execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement by Bidder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Bidder and do not violate, conflict with, or result in a breach of any provision of its organizational or governing documents. This Agreement constitutes a legally valid and binding obligation enforceable against Bidder in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar Laws relating to creditors’ rights generally or general principles of equity (whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity). Bidder is acting for its own account, has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement and as to whether this Agreement is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment, has had complete discretion in seeking and obtaining the advice and counsel of experts relating to specialized subject matter of this Agreement, and is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions, and risks of this Agreement.

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(b) The execution and delivery of each Proposal by Bidder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Bidder. Each Proposal has been executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer or other authorized representative of Bidder. Each Proposal submitted into the RFP by Bidder is identified on the signature page of this Agreement by the Resource ID and Proposal ID numbers assigned to such resource and such proposal in the RFP. Bidder understands and agrees that, by submitting a Proposal, it is offering to enter into a Definitive Agreement providing for the Transaction contemplated by such Proposal on substantially the same terms and conditions set forth in such Proposal and the Model BOT Agreement (including, without limitation, the Model Scope Book) or the Model PPA, as applicable, made available in the RFP to Bidders. Each Proposal submitted by Bidder is Bidder's good faith best offer. Bidder has reviewed, is familiar with, and understands the terms and conditions of the RFP, including the Model BOT Agreement (including, without limitation, the Model Scope Book), if the Proposal is for a build-own-transfer acquisition arrangement, or the Model PPA, if the Proposal is for a power purchase arrangement. With respect to any Proposal selected by ELL for possible negotiation of a Definitive Agreement, Bidder agrees to enter into good faith negotiations with ELL to finalize, and shall use reasonable best efforts (or do, or cause to be done, all things necessary or appropriate) to finalize, execute, and deliver to ELL a Definitive Agreement providing for the Transaction contemplated by such Proposal on substantially the same terms and conditions set forth in such Proposal.

(c) To the best knowledge of the Bidder Representatives who have actually participated in the preparation of a Proposal on behalf of Bidder, there is no uncured violation by Bidder of applicable state or federal antitrust Laws or other applicable Laws that pertain to competitive bidding practices in connection with such Proposal.

(d) Bidder has not entered into, and covenants that it will not enter into, any understanding, agreement, plan, or scheme pertaining to a Proposal, whether express or implied, formal or informal, oral or written, with any competitor of Bidder with respect to prices, terms, or conditions of sale, output, production, distribution, territories, or customers that would be in violation of applicable Law.

3. ELL Disclaimer. Bidder understands, acknowledges, and agrees that (i) except as may be expressly provided in a Definitive Agreement, any and all information furnished by or on behalf of ELL in connection with the RFP Process, including, without limitation, information contained in the RFP, is provided without any representation or warranty of any kind as to the information provided, including, without limitation, accuracy or completeness; (ii) except as otherwise provided in Section 4 below, neither ELL nor any ELL Representative shall have any liability of any kind to Bidder or any Bidder Representative relating to or arising from the use of or reliance upon any such information or any error or omission therein or otherwise in connection with the RFP Process; and (iii) the material, information, and processes described by ELL in the RFP or otherwise provided by either ELL or an ELL Representative in connection with the RFP Process are mere statements or indications of ELL's current intent, and such statements or indications create or give rise to no binding obligation or actionable promise or inducement of any kind on the part of ELL or ELL Representative.

4. ELL Obligations Limited to Definitive Agreement. Without limiting Section 3, Bidder understands, acknowledges, and agrees that no enforceable contract or agreement providing for or promising a Transaction shall be deemed to exist or shall be enforceable against ELL or any ELL Representative unless and until a Definitive Agreement for such Transaction has been executed and delivered by authorized representatives of ELL and Bidder (or other authorized seller) and all other parties thereto. Bidder also understands, acknowledges, and agrees that (i) unless and until a Definitive Agreement between ELL and Bidder (or other authorized seller) and all other parties thereto with respect to a Transaction has been executed and delivered, neither ELL nor any ELL Representative has any legal obligation to Bidder of any kind whatsoever with respect to such Transaction, whether by virtue of this Agreement, the RFP, or any other written, electronic, or oral expression or communication with respect to the RFP Process or such Transaction, and (ii) if a Definitive Agreement between ELL and Bidder (or other authorized seller) with respect to a Transaction has been executed and delivered, the only legal obligations of ELL with respect to such Transaction shall be those expressly set forth in the terms and conditions of such Definitive Agreement and any ancillary agreements thereto (each as may be amended in a duly signed writing from time to time) and applicable Law.

5. ELL RFP Process Discretion. Bidder understands, acknowledges, and agrees that, subject to applicable Laws, and notwithstanding anything in the RFP to the contrary, (i) ELL shall be free to conduct the process associated with any Transaction, including, without limitation, the RFP Process, as ELL determines in its sole and absolute discretion, (ii) the RFP and any procedure relating to the RFP Process may be changed at any time, following consultation with the IM, without notice to Bidder or any other person, and (iii) the provisions of Appendix E to the RFP (Reservation of ELL Rights and Other ELL RFP Protections) apply to, are accepted by, and are enforceable against Bidder, and such provisions are incorporated herein by reference. Except in a proceeding before the FERC, the LPSC, or a court described in Section 10 below, and in consideration for permission to submit a Proposal and participate in the RFP and other valuable consideration received, Bidder shall not assert, and hereby knowingly, voluntarily, and unconditionally forever waives and disclaims any right to assert, in any regulatory or judicial forum, any claim or complaint, and any and all rights derivative or arising out of any such claim or complaint, regarding or related to the conduct or result of the RFP Process.

6. Bidder Qualifications. Bidder has previously provided, is providing in the Proposal, and/or from time to time after Bidder's execution of this Agreement may provide, to ELL, directly or indirectly, certain information with respect to Bidder's qualifications to participate in the RFP Process. Bidder represents and warrants to ELL that all such information Bidder has previously provided to ELL or an ELL Representative in the RFP or is providing in the Proposal is true and accurate in all material respects as of the Effective Date and that any such information Bidder may hereafter provide concerning the Proposal will be true and accurate in all material respects as of the date Bidder provides it to ELL. Bidder agrees that, so long as Bidder continues to participate in the RFP Process and the applicable RFP document(s) do not otherwise provide, Bidder will inform ELL promptly of any material change in any of the information so provided by Bidder pursuant to the RFP Process and will promptly provide ELL with subsequently filed or prepared information (including, without limitation, any financial statements, and reports) of the type previously provided or contemplated.

7. Bidder Indemnification. Bidder shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless ELL, each of its parents and other affiliates, and each of their respective officers, directors, employees, attorneys, agents, and successors and assigns, upon demand, from and against any and all demands, suits, penalties, obligations, damages, claims, losses, liabilities, payments, costs, and expenses (including reasonable legal, accounting, and other expenses in connection therewith and costs and expenses incurred in connection with investigations and settlement proceedings) arising out of, in connection with, or relating to (i) any breach or violation of any covenant, obligation, or agreement of Bidder set forth in this Agreement or (ii) any breach or inaccuracy of any of the representations or warranties of Bidder in this Agreement.

8. Waivers. Without limiting Section 14 below, no waiver by ELL of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless and to the extent set forth in a writing signed by an authorized representative of ELL and designated as a waiver. Any waiver at any time by ELL of its rights, duties, and/or obligations with respect to any default under this Agreement, or with respect to any other matter arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, shall not be deemed a continuing waiver, nor a waiver with respect to any prior or subsequent default or other matter and shall be limited to its express terms. Any delay in asserting or enforcing any rights under this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such rights. A failure of ELL to enforce any provision of this Agreement or to require performance by Bidder of any of the provisions hereof shall not be construed to waive such provision, or to affect the validity of this Agreement or any part thereof, or the right of ELL thereafter to enforce each and every provision hereof.

9. Assignment; Successors and Assigns. This Agreement and all of the rights, benefits, powers, privileges, duties, or obligations hereunder may be assigned by ELL, without prior notice to Bidder or Bidder's consent, to any of its affiliates or to any party or parties that acquire an ownership interest in ELL, its assets (including, without limitation, in any individual project offered by Bidder in response to the RFP), businesses, or any material part thereof, but none of this Agreement or any rights, benefits, powers, privileges, duties, or obligations hereunder may be assigned or otherwise transferred by Bidder without ELL's prior written consent, which may be granted or withheld in ELL's sole and absolute discretion. Any purported assignment or other transfer by Bidder in violation of the preceding sentence shall be void *ab initio* and of no effect. This Agreement shall be binding upon Bidder and the successors and permitted assigns of Bidder.

10. Governing Law; Jurisdiction and Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects, whether as to validity, construction, capacity, performance, or otherwise, by and under the laws of the State of New York (without giving effect to principles of conflicts of laws) (other than Section 5-1401 of the New York General Obligations Law). Any and all claims, demands, causes of action, disputes, controversies, and other matters in question arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including any question regarding its breach, existence, validity, or termination, which the Parties do not resolve amicably, will be submitted to the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, or if such action or proceeding does not meet the requirements for federal jurisdiction thereof by such court, the state courts with jurisdiction located in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, and appellate courts from any thereof. **BIDDER HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVES AND AGREES NOT TO ASSERT (I) THE**

DEFENSE OF LACK OF PERSONAL JURISDICTION, *FORUM NON CONVENIENS*, OR ANY SIMILAR DEFENSE WITH RESPECT TO THE MAINTENANCE OF ANY SUCH ACTION, CLAIM, OR PROCEEDING IN EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND (II) THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING.

11. Liability for Bidder Representatives. Bidder shall ensure that each Bidder Representative is informed of the terms of this Agreement and that each such person adheres to this Agreement as it applies to Bidder as if such person were a party hereto. Bidder shall be responsible and liable for any breach of this Agreement resulting from or arising out of the acts or omissions of any Bidder Representative.

12. Severability. All provisions of this Agreement are severable. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be (i) invalid or unenforceable only to the extent of such invalidity or unenforceability without invalidating or rendering unenforceable any other provision hereof and (ii) revised or reformed, to the maximum extent permitted under applicable Law, in a manner resulting in rights, duties, and obligations most closely representing the intention of Bidder and ELL as expressed herein.

13. Term. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date hereof and shall continue in effect until the last to occur of (i) the completion of the RFP Process, (ii) the conclusion of any regulatory proceedings or litigation relating to the RFP Process, the Proposal, or this Agreement, or (iii) six (6) years from the Effective Date.

14. Integration; Amendments; Delivery. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between ELL and Bidder with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior understandings, agreements and writings between them with respect to the subject matter hereof, whether written or oral, save and except for any written agreement with respect to confidentiality obligations and the Bidder Registration Agreement executed by Bidder (or an affiliate thereof) in connection with the RFP. This Agreement may not be altered, amended, modified, or otherwise changed by any prior, contemporaneous, or subsequent agreements, understandings, discussions, or course of dealings unless the same is reduced to a writing that specifically refers to this Agreement and is signed by authorized representatives of Bidder and ELL. The delivery of this Agreement by pdf or other electronic means, including through Power Advocate, in accordance with the requirements of the RFP shall be deemed to be valid delivery hereof. It shall be sufficient in making proof of this Agreement to produce or account for a pdf or other electronic copy of this Agreement delivered pursuant to the RFP.

15. Enforceability; Reliance. Bidder acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or elsewhere, Bidder intends for this Agreement to be, and this Agreement shall be, fully enforceable in all respects by ELL against Bidder, and ELL and ELL Representatives (as applicable) shall be considered the sole beneficiaries of this Agreement. Bidder hereby waives and disclaims any legal or equitable defense to any claim made by or on behalf of ELL or any ELL Representative in connection with this Agreement or the RFP based on or otherwise arising out of ELL or any ELL Representative not being a signatory to this Agreement. The obligations, waivers, disclaimers, and terms of Section 2 through Section 15 herein are fundamental to this Agreement, and ELL's decisions to allow Bidder to continue to

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participate in the RFP and enter into this Agreement are made in express reliance on such obligations, waivers, and disclaimers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Bidder has executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date and in the manner first written above.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Bidder to insert the Bidder ID number assigned to Bidder in the RFP.

<sup>2</sup> For each generating resource Bidder is offering into the RFP, Bidder to insert the Resource ID number given to Bidder in the RFP for such resource.

<sup>3</sup> Bidder to organize and insert the Proposal ID number(s) given to Bidder in the RFP so that each Proposal ID number listed below a specified Resource ID number is for a Proposal that is based on the generating resource identified by such specified Resource ID number.