## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that two public hearings pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law will be held by the Genesee County Industrial Development Agency d/b/a Genesee County Economic Development Center (the "Agency") on Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at Elba Town Hall, 7133 Oak Orchard Road, Elba, New York 14058 <a href="mailto:anm.">and</a> at 11:30 a.m., local time, at the Oakfield Community and Government Center (Side Entrance), 3219 Drake Street Road, Oakfield, New York 14125, each in connection with the following matter:

HECATE ENERGY CIDER SOLAR LLC, for itself or on behalf of an entity formed or to be formed by it or on its behalf (the "Company") previously submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which is on file with the Agency, requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold or other interest in certain real property located in the Town of Elba and the Town of Oakfield, Genesee County, New York (the "Land"); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 500MWac PV solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (the "Improvements"); and (iii) the acquisition by the Company in and around the Improvements of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility").

The Agency previously held public hearings in the Towns of Elba and Oakfield on November 28, 2022 (the "Original Public Hearings") in connection with the Project and the forms of financial assistance being considered by the Agency. Subsequent to the holding of the Original Public Hearings, the Company advised the Agency that it is requesting an increase in the amount of Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption as a result of increased costs in connection with the Project.

The purpose of the hearings to be held on October 3, 2024, is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed increase in Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption to be provided by the Agency in connection with the Project.

The Agency contemplates that it will provide financial assistance (the "Financial Assistance") to the Company in the form of Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption consistent with the policies of the Agency.

The Agency will broadcast the public hearing live at <a href="www.vimeo.com/event/3477651">www.vimeo.com/event/3477651</a>, and the public hearing video will be available for on-demand viewing on the Agency's website at <a href="www.gcedc.com/projects">www.gcedc.com/projects</a>.

A representative of the Agency (and/or legal counsel to the Agency) will be at the above-stated times and places to present a copy of the Company's second amendment to the Project Application and hear and accept written and oral comments from all persons with views in favor of or opposed to or otherwise relevant to the proposed Financial Assistance.

Dated: September 24, 2024 GENESEE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL

DEVELOPMENT AGENCY D/B/A GENESEE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER