#### PROJECT AND AGENT AGREEMENT

THIS PROJECT AND AGENT AGREEMENT, made as of the day of December, 2024, is by and between the TOWN OF HAMBURG INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, a public benefit corporation of the State of New York, having its offices at 6122 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York 14075 (the "Agency") and SOUTH PARK EQUITY ENTERPRISES, LLC, a limited liability company duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York with offices at 4221 N. Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York 14127 and G&K EQUITY ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES OAKS, LLC, a limited liability company duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York with offices at 4221 N. Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York 14127 (jointly and severally the "Company").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency was created by Chapter 784 of the Laws of 1986 of the State of New York pursuant to Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act") as a body corporate and politic and as a public benefit corporation of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, The Oaks at South Park, LLC (the "Assignor") submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project consisting of the acquisition by the Company of an approximately 27 acre parcel of land located at 5138 South Park Avenue in the Town of Hamburg, the construction by the Company, as agent for the Agency (i) the adaptive re-use of a former school building and re-development the parcel of land for construction of 19 two-story buildings totaling 152 housing units and (ii) installation of baseball and softball fields and other amenities and the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment, furnishings and fixtures by the Company, as agent for the Agency, all for a residential housing complex with additional services (the "Project"). The project will be leased by the Company to the Agency for sublease back to the Company for sub-sublease to residential tenants which will be the occupants of the project (the real property, the improvements constructed thereon and the equipment acquired and installed in connection with the Project are referred to as the "Facility"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted on June 25, 2019 (the "Resolution"), the Agency conferred on the Assignor in connection with the Project certain benefits, exemptions and other financial assistance consisting of: (insert as/if applicable) (a) an exemption from all New York State and local sale and use taxes for purchases incorporated into the Facility or used in the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Facility, (b) an exemption benefit from the mortgage recording tax, and (c) a partial abatement from real property taxes benefit through the year 2029 "payment in lieu of taxes agreement" with the Company for the benefit of each municipality and school district having jurisdiction over the Project, (collectively, the sales and use tax exemption benefit, the mortgage recording tax benefit, and the partial abatement from real property taxes benefit, are hereafter collectively referred to as the "Financial Assistance"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the Agency and THE OAKS AT SOUTH PARK LLC entered into a Project and Agent Agreement dated as of November 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, South Park Equity Enterprises, LLC and G&K Equity Enterprise Associates Oaks, LLC have applied to the Agency for the assignment and assumption of the remaining PILOT benefits; as approved by Resolution of the Agency dated November 13, 2024;

WHEREAS, as of the Closing Date the Company has acquired the Facility from the Assignor and the Assignor has assigned and the Company has assumed, for the period from and after the Closing Date, Assignor's rights and obligations under the Project and Agent Agreement, which has necessitated the need for this Project and Agent Agreement which shall replace the Project and agent Agreement dated as of November 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, it has been estimated and confirmed by the Assignor as included within its Application for Financial Assistance that the real property tax abatement benefits to be provided to the Company over the seven (7) year benefit period of the anticipated payment in lieu of tax agreement are estimated to be approximately \$3,828,836.00 (from the start of the current Pilot Agreement which expires on June 30, 2030); and

WHEREAS, the Company proposes to lease the Facility to the Agency, and the Agency desires to rent the Facility from the Company pursuant to the terms of a certain Amended and Restated Lease to Agency Agreement dated as of December 1, 2024 (the "Amended and Restated Lease to Agency"), by and between the Company and the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency proposes to sublease the Facility to the Company and the Company desires to rent the Facility from the Agency, upon the terms and conditions set forth in a certain Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement dated as of December 1, 2024 (the "Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, in order to define the obligations of the Company regarding payments-in-lieu-of-taxes for the Facility, the Agency and the Company will continue, without change, a Payment-in-Lieu-of Tax Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2019 (the "PILOT Agreement"), by and between the Agency and the Assignor; and

WHEREAS, the Agency requires as a condition and as an inducement for it to enter into the transactions contemplated by the Resolution, that the Company provide assurances with respect to the terms and conditions herein set forth: and

WHEREAS, this Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions under which Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Company; and

WHEREAS, no Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Company prior to the effective date of this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants herein contained and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is mutually agreed as follows:

- 1. Purpose of the Project. It is understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that the purpose of the Agency's provision of Financial Assistance with respect to the Project is to, and that the Agency is entering into the Amended and Restated Lease to Agency, the Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement and the PILOT Agreement in order to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, construction, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of the Project facility to advance job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the Town of Hamburg and to otherwise accomplish the public purpose of the Act.
- 2. <u>PILOT Agreement</u>. The Parties hereto understand and agree that **Exhibit A** to this Agreement contains a copy of the PILOT Agreement to be entered into, or entered into, by and between the Company and the Agency.
- 3. <u>Termination, Modification and/or Recapture of Agency Financial Assistance</u>. It is understood an agreed by the Parties hereto that the Agency is entering into the Amended and Restated Lease to Agency, the Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement and the PILOT Agreement in order to provide Financial Assistance to the Company for the Facility and to accomplish the public purposes of the Act. The Company hereby makes the following representations and covenants in order to induce the Agency to proceed with the Project/Facility which are deemed to be material factors (the "Material Factors").
  - (i) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (ii) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (iii) the Company agrees to hire 6 FT and 2 PT employees (the "Employment Commitment").
  - (iv) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (v) the Company agrees that it will occupy the Facility and utilize the Facility as a residential housing complex facility (the "Project Use Commitment").
  - (vi) the Company agree that it will comply with the requirements of the Agency to provide annually to the Agency certain information to confirm that the Project is achieving the investment, job retention, job creation and other objectives of the Project (the Project Reporting Requirements of the Agency (the "Project Reporting Commitment").
  - (vii) the Company agrees to make the payment-in-lieu-of taxes to the municipalities within the time frame required (the "Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes Commitment").
  - (viii) the Company agrees to maintain the insurance requirements as required in connection with this Agreement and the Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement and to provide copies to the Agency as required herein (the "Insurance Commitment").
- (a) In accordance with Section 875(3) of the New York State General Municipal Law, the policies of the Agency and the Resolution, the Company covenants and agrees that it may be subject to a Recapture Event Determination (as hereinafter defined) resulting in the potential recapture of any and all Financial Assistance from the Agency, if it is determined by the Agency that:

- (1) Intentionally Omitted.; or
- (2) Intentionally Omitted.; or
- (3) Intentionally Omitted.; or
- (4) the Company has made a material false or misleading statement, or omitted any information which, if included, would have rendered any information in the Company's application or supporting documents false or misleading in any material respect, on its application for Financial Assistance.
  - (5) Intentionally Omitted..
  - (a) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (b) Intentionally Omitted..
  - (c) Employment Commitment-that there will be at least six (6) FT and (2) PT employees located at, or to be located at the Facility as stated in the Company's application for Financial Assistance (the "Baseline FTE") and if the Company fails to maintain employment at 85% of the total of the Baseline FTE and new FTE. The Company shall have the right to establish that the failure to comply with the Employment Commitment was due to circumstances beyond their control.
  - (d) Local Labor Commitment-that the Company adheres to and undertakes or has undertaken construction activities in compliance with the Agency's Local Labor Workforce Policy.
  - (e) Project Reporting Commitment-that the Company must supply the information required by this Agreement to allow the Agency to evaluate whether the Company is in compliance with the requirements of this Agreement. The reporting requirements are set forth in paragraph 4.
- (b) Termination or Modification of Benefits. In addition to the recapture provisions as set forth in 3. (a) above, the Agency reserves the right to terminate the Amended and Restated Lease to Agency and Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement and end the Payment-in-Lieu-of Tax benefits to the Company if the Company fails to comply with the Project Use Commitment, the Project Reporting Commitment, the Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes Commitment and the Insurance Commitment. In the event that it is determined that based upon the number of employees created or retained, the Company would have been eligible for Financial Assistance but for a less generous Payment-in-Lieu-of-Tax provision, the Agency reserves the right to modify the benefits to reduce the benefits to the benefits that would have been available based upon the actual employment numbers.

The Company acknowledges and understands that a Recapture Event Determination made with respect to Section 3(a)(4) of this Agreement, will, in addition to requiring the repayment of

benefits, in addition immediately result in the loss and forfeiture of the Company's right and ability to obtain any and all future Financial Assistance with respect to the Project. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Parties acknowledge that the Assignor received the sales and use tax benefits, mortgage tax benefits and PILOT benefits. The Company has received no sales and use tax benefits or mortgage tax benefits. Company's benefits to be received in connection with the Project are limited to the remaining portion of the PILOT benefits following the Closing Date. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, any Recapture with respect to Company shall in no event exceed the remaining portion of the PILOT benefits actually received by Company.

4. <u>Project Reporting Requirements</u>. The Company shall comply with the provisions of Section 6 (j) and (k) as set forth hereafter with respect to the filing of NYS Forms ST-340 and ST-123.

The Company shall provide annually, to the Agency a certified statement and documentation: (i) enumerating the full time equivalent jobs retained and the full time equivalent jobs created as a result of the Financial Assistance, by category, including full time equivalent independent contractors or employees of independent contracts that work at the Project location, and (ii) indicating the salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created that was provided in the application for Financial Assistance is still accurate and if it is not still accurate, providing a revises list of salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created. **Exhibit B** contains the form of annual certification as so required as discuss above as well as additional Project assessment information that the Agency requires on an annual basis to be submitted to the Agency by the Company.

The findings made by the Agency with respect to Section 3 (a) (1), (2), (3) and/or (4) and/or the failure to provide written confirmation as required by Section 3(a)(5) with respect to the threshold and requirements as identified in Section 3(a)(5) above, may potentially be determined by the Agency, in accordance with the Town of Hamburg Industrial Development Agency Policy for Recapture, Termination and/or Modification of Financial Assistance or other procedure that provides for the suspension or discontinuance of Financial Assistance or for the modification of any PILOT to require increased payment in accordance with the policies developed by the Town of Hamburg Industrial Development Agency.

5. Scope of Agency. The Company hereby agrees to limit its activities as agent for the Agency under the authority of the Resolution to acts reasonably related to the following: the continuation by the Company of an approximately 27 acre parcel of land located at 5138 South Park Avenue in the Town of Hamburg, the construction by the Company, as agent for the Agency (i) the adaptive re-use of a former school building and re-development the parcel of land for construction of 19 two-story buildings totaling 152 housing units and (ii) installation of baseball and softball fields and other amenities and the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment, furnishings and fixtures by the Company, as agent for the Agency, all for a residential housing complex with additional services (the "Project"). The right of the Company to act as agent of the Agency shall expire on November 13, 2025, unless extended as contemplated by the Resolution. The aggregate amount of work performed as Agent for the Agency shall not exceed the amounts described in the Application of the Company in this matter. All contracts entered into by the Company as agent for the Agency shall include the language set forth in Exhibit C.

- 6. <u>Representations and Covenants of the Company.</u> The Company makes the following representations and covenants in order to induce the Agency to proceed with the Project:
- (a) Each Company is a Limited Liability Company duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York and duly qualified and authorized to conduct business in New York State (the "State"), has the authority to enter into this Agreement and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Agreement.
- (b) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the provisions of this Agreement will conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound, or will constitute a default under any of the foregoing, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien of any nature upon any of the property of the Company under the terms of any such instrument or agreement.
- (c) The Facility and the operation thereof will conform with all applicable zoning, planning, building and environmental laws and regulations of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Facility, and the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from any liability or expenses resulting from any failure by the Company to comply with the provisions of this subsection (c).
- (d) There is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, public board or body pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company, to which the Company is a party, and in which an adverse result would in any way diminish or adversely impact on the Company's ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.
- (e) The Company covenants that the Facility will comply in all respects with all environmental laws and regulations, and, except in compliance with environmental laws and regulations, (i) that no pollutants, contaminants, solid wastes, or toxic or hazardous substances will be stored, treated, generated, disposed of, or allowed to exist on the Facility except in compliance with all material applicable laws, (ii) the Company will take all reasonable and prudent steps to prevent an unlawful release of hazardous substances onto the Facility or onto any other property, (iii) that no asbestos will be incorporated into or disposed of on the Facility, (iv) that no underground storage tanks will be located on the Facility, and (v) that no investigation, order, agreement, notice, demand or settlement with respect to any of the above is threatened, anticipated, or in existence. The Company upon receiving any information or notice contrary to the representations contained in this Section shall immediately notify the Agency in writing with full details regarding the same. The Company hereby releases the Agency from liability with respect to, and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Agency, its executive director, directors, members, officers, employees, agents (except the Company), representatives, successors, and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, orders, liabilities, penalties, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) related in any way to any violation of the covenants or failure to be accurate of the representations contained in this Section.

In the event the Agency in its reasonable discretion deems it necessary to perform due diligence with respect to any of the above, or to have an environmental audit performed with respect to the Facility, the Company agrees to pay the expenses of same to the Agency upon demand, and agrees that upon failure to do so, its obligation for such expenses shall be deemed to be additional rent.

- (f) Any personal property acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency shall be located in the Town of Hamburg, New York, except for temporary periods during ordinary use.
  - (g) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (h) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (i) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (j) Intentionally Omitted.
  - (k) Intentionally Omitted.
- (I) The Company acknowledges and agrees that, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency shall not be liable, either directly or indirectly or contingently, upon any such contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase order in any manner and to any extent whatsoever (including payment or performance obligations), and the Company shall be the sole party liable thereunder.
- 7. Hold Harmless Provision. The Company hereby releases the Agency from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for, and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency and its executive director, directors, officers, members employees, agents (except the Company), representatives, successors and assigns harmless from and against any and all (i) liability for loss or damage to property or injury to or death of any and all persons that may be occasioned by any cause whatsoever pertaining to the Facility or arising by reason of or in connection with the occupation, or the use thereof or the presence on, in or about the Facility or breach by the Company of this Agreement or (ii) liability arising from or expense incurred by the Agency's financing, acquiring, rehabilitating, constructing, renovation, equipping, owning and leasing of the Equipment or the Facility, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all causes of action and reasonable attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The foregoing indemnities shall apply notwithstanding the fault or negligence on the part of the Agency, or any of its respective members. directors, officers, agents (except the Company) or employees and irrespective of the breach of a statutory obligation or the application of any rule of comparative or apportioned liability, except that such indemnities will not be applicable with respect to willful misconduct or gross negligence on the part of the Agency or any other person or entity to be indemnified.
- 8. <u>Insurance Required</u>. Effective as of the date hereof and until the expiration or termination of the right of the Company to act as agent of the Agency hereunder, the Company shall maintain, or cause to be maintained by its subagent or subcontractors, certain insurance against such risks and for such amounts as are customarily insured against by businesses of like

size and type, and paying, as the same become due and payable, all premiums in respect thereto, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- (a) (i) Insurance against loss or damage by fire, lightning and other casualties, with a uniform standard extended coverage endorsement, such insurance to be in an amount not less than the full replacement value of the Facility, exclusive of excavations and foundations, as determined by a recognized appraiser or insurer selected by the Company or (ii) as an alternative to the above requirements (including the requirement of periodic appraisal), the Company may insure the Facility under a blanket insurance policy or policies covering not only the Facility but other properties as well. Such insurance shall have a commercially reasonable deductible.
- (b) Workers' compensation insurance, disability benefits insurance, and each other form of insurance which the Agency or the Company is required by law to provide, covering loss resulting from injury, sickness, disability or death of employees of the Company who are located at or assigned to the Facility.
- (c) Insurance against loss or losses from liabilities imposed by law or assumed in any written contract and arising from personal injury and death or damage to the property of others caused by any accident or occurrence, with limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per accident or occurrence on account of personal injury, including death resulting therefrom, and \$5,000,000 per accident or occurrence on account of damage to the property of others, excluding liability imposed upon the Company by any applicable workers' compensation law.
- Additional Provisions Respecting Insurance. (a) All insurance required by Section 4 hereof shall name the Agency as an additional insured, as its interest may appear. All insurance shall be procured and maintained in financially sound and generally recognized responsible insurance companies selected by the Company and authorized to write such insurance in the State. Such insurance may be written with commercially reasonably deductible amounts comparable to those on similar policies carried by other companies engaged in businesses similar in size, character and other respects to those in which the Company is engaged. All policies evidencing such insurance shall provide for (i) payment of the losses of the Company and the Agency as their respective interest may appear, and (ii) at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of the cancellation thereof to the Company and the Agency, except in the event of non-payment, in which at least ten (10) days prior written notice of the cancellation shall be delivered to the Company and the Agency. All insurance requirements in Section 4 may be satisfied by blanket policies subject to the reasonable approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender (if any) in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency. All or some of Section 4 insurance requirements may be satisfied by an Owner Controlled Insurance Program ("OCIP") subject to approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency.
- (b) All such policies of insurance, or a certificate or certificates of insurance that such insurance is in force and effect, shall be deposited with the Agency on the date hereof. Prior to expiration of any such policy, the Company shall furnish evidence to the Agency that the policy has been renewed or replaced or is no longer required by this Agreement.

- 10. <u>Survival</u>. All warranties, representations and covenants made by the Company herein shall be deemed to have been relied upon by the Agency and shall survive the delivery of this Agreement to the Agency regardless of any investigation made by the Agency.
- 11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original but which together shall constitute a single instrument.
- 12. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, claims and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given if personally delivered or mailed first class, postage prepaid, as follows:

To the Agency:

TOWN OF HAMURG INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

6100 South Park Avenue Hamburg, New York 14075

Attention: Sean Doyle, Executive Director

NEILL & STRONG ATTORNEYS and COUNSELORS P.C.

13166 Main Street

Alden, New York 14004

Attention: Jennifer L. Strong, Esq.

To the Company:

SOUTH PARK EQUITY ENTERPRISES, LLC

G&K EQUITY ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES OAKS, LLC

4221 N. Buffalo Street

Orchard Park, New York 14127

Attention: Michale T. Gacioch, Operating Manager

With Copy To:

ZDARSKY, SAWICKI & AGOSTINELLI LLP

1600 Main Place Tower

350 Main Street

Buffalo, New York 14202

Attention: Thomas P. Fitch, Esq.

or at such other address as any party may from time to time furnish to the other party by notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section. All notices shall be deemed given when received or delivery of same is refused by the recipient or personally delivered in the manner provided in this Section.

13. <u>Future Agreements</u>. The parties are contemplating that the Agency will negotiate and enter into Amended and Restated Lease to Agency (the "Amended and Restated Lease to Agency") and an Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement (the "Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement") with the Company, which Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement and will provide for Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes as attached as Schedule A. in connection with the original construction and equipping of a data center facility and an Mortgage (the "Mortgage") in connection with the acquisition and installation of the Project. At any time prior to the execution

of the Amended and Restated Lease to Agency and the Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement, the Agency can transfer title to the Company of all assets acquired by the Company as agent for the Agency. Additionally, at any time prior to execution of the Amended and Restated Lease to Agency and the Amended and Restated Leaseback Agreement, the Company can demand that the Agency transfer title to the Company with respect to all assets acquired by the Company as agent for the Agency, provided all amounts owed the Agency have been paid current and the Agency shall transfer title to such assets to the Company by a bill of sale.

Agreement to Pay Agency Fees and Expenses. By executing this Project Agreement, the Company covenants and agrees to pay all fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Agency for (i) legal services in connection with the Project, including but not limited to those provided by the Agency's Counsel, and (ii) other consultants retained by the Agency in connection with the Project; with all such charges to be paid by the Company at the closing or, if the closing does not occur, within ten (10) business days of receipt of the Agency's invoices therefore. The Company is entitled to receive a written estimate of fees and costs of the Agency's Counsel in accordance with the fee schedule of the Agency.

The Company further covenants and agrees that the Company is liable for payment to the Agency of all charges referred to above, as well as all other actual costs and expenses incurred by the Agency in undertaking the Project notwithstanding the occurrence of any of (i) the Company's withdrawal, abandonment, cancellation or failure to pursue the Project; (ii) the inability of the Agency or the Company to procure the services of one or more financial institutions to provide financing for the Project; or (iii) the Company's failure, for whatever reason, to undertake and/or successfully complete the Project.

- 15. <u>Amendments</u>. No amendment, change, modification, alteration or termination of this Agreement shall be made except in writing upon the written consent of the Company and the Agency.
- 16. <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections in the Agreement or the application thereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part thereof.
- 17. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and the parties hereto hereby agree to submit to the personal jurisdiction of the federal or state courts located in Erie County, New York.
- 18. <u>Section Headings</u>. The headings of the several Sections ins this Agreement have been prepared for convenience of reference only and shall not control, affect the meaning of or be taken as an interpretation of any provision of this Agreement.

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# [Signature Page to Agent Agreement]

IN WITNESS W and year first above writ	HEREOF, the parties heresten.	to have executed this Agreement as of the day
Dated: 12/19	, 2024	TOWN OF HAMBURG INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
		By: Sean Doyle, Executive Director
Dated:	_, 2024	SOUTH PARK EQUITY ENTERPRISES, LLC
		By: Michael T. Gacioch, Operating Manager
Dated:	_, 2024	G&K EQUITY ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES OAKS, LLC
		By: Michael T. Gacioch, Operating Manager

# [Signature Page to Agent Agreement]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Dated:	, 2024	TOWN OF HAMBURG INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
		By: Sean Doyle, Executive Director
Dated:	, 2024	SOUTH PARK EQUITY ENTERPRISES, LLC
		By:  Michael T. Gacioch,  Operating Manager
Dated:	, 2024	G&K EQUITY ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES OAKS, LLC
		By:  Michael T. Gacioch,  Operating Manager

#### **CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF NEW YORK

)ss.:

**COUNTY OF ERIE** 

Michael T. Gacioch, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. That I am the Operating Manager of South Park Equity Enterprises, LLC and G&K Equity Enterprise Associates Oaks, LLC the Company and that I am duly authorized on behalf of the Company to bind the Company and to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Company.
  - 2. That the Company confirms and acknowledges that the owner, occupant, or operator receiving Financial Assistance for the Project is in substantial compliance with all applicable local, state and federal law, worker protection and environmental laws, rules and regulations.

(Signature of Officer)

Subscribed and affirmed to me under the penalties of perjury this 8 day of 2000 , 2024.

Notary Public)

## EXHIBIT A

PILOT Agreement

### REVISED APPENDIX C

### AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

#### 2019 THE OAKS AT SOUTH PARK PROJECT

#### PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

It is recognized that under the provisions of the Act, the Agency is required to pay no real estate taxes upon any of the property acquired by it or under its jurisdiction or control or supervision or upon its activities. Except as otherwise provided herein and in Section 4.4, while the Facility is being used in accordance with the Act and this Agreement, the provisions of this paragraph with respect to payments in lieu of real estate taxes shall be applicable. Until the commencement of the tax fiscal year of the appropriate taxing authority subsequent to the first tax status date on which the Agency is the holder of a leasehold interest in the Facility, located at Bayview Avenue, Hamburg, New York (the "Lessee") shall continue to pay all appropriate taxing authorities all taxes due. Thereafter, the Lessee shall pay to the Town of Hamburg (Town), County of Erie (County) and the Frontier Central School District (School District) in lieu of exempted taxes the following amounts:

A. To the Town of Hamburg, c/o Director of Finance, 6100 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York 14075, no later than February 15th of each year,

- 1. Commencing in 2022, an amount equal to the Town taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the assessed value of the Facility Realty; and
- 2. Commencing in 2023, an amount equal to the Town taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the non-depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as land); and
- 3. Commencing in 2023, an amount equal to the percentage of the Town taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as buildings and other improvements) in accordance with the following schedule:

	Fiscal Year	Percentage
2023		10%
2024		10%
2025		20%
2026		20%
2027		30%
2028		30%
2029		30%

4. Commencing in 2030, an amount equal to the Town taxes would be due, were there no such exemption upon the then assessed value of the Facility Realty.

- B. To the County of Erie, c/o Erie County Department of Finance, 95 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202, no later than February 15th of each year,
- 1. Commencing in 2022, an amount equal to the County taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the assessed value of the Facility Realty; and
- 2. Commencing in 2023, an amount equal to the County taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the non-depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as land); and
- 3. Commencing in 2023, an amount equal to the percentage of the County taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as buildings and other improvements) in accordance with the following schedule:

	Fiscal Year	Percentage
2023		10%
2024		10%
2025		20%
2026		20%
2027		30%
2028		30%
2029		30%

- 4. Commencing in 2030, an amount equal to the County taxes would be due, were there no such exemption upon the then assessed value of the Facility Realty.
- C. To the School District, c/o District Treasurer, Frontier Central Business Office, Frontier Educational Center, 5120 Orchard Avenue, Hamburg, New York 14075, no later than October 15th of each year,
- 1. Commencing in 2021-2022, an amount equal to the School taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the assessed value of the Facility Realty; and
- Commencing with the School District's fiscal year 2022-2023, an amount equal to the School District taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the non-depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as land); and
- 3. Commencing with the School District's fiscal year 2022-2023, an amount equal to the percentage of the School District taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption, based upon the value of the depreciable portion of the Facility Realty (assessed as buildings and other improvements) in accordance with the following schedule:

Fiscal Year	<u>Percentage</u>	2
2023-2024	10%	
2024-2025	10%	
2025-2026	20%	

2026-2027	20%
2027-2028	20%
2028-2029	30%
2029-2030	30%

4. Commencing with the School District's fiscal year 2030-2031, an amount equal to the School District taxes which would be due, were there no such exemption upon the then assessed value of the Facility Realty.

The parties intend that the Lessee shall receive the equivalent of the standard seven year PILOT on the assessed valuation of the depreciable portion of the real property constituting a part of the Project. They assume the full value of the completed Project will first appear on the tax roll as of tax status date on March 1, 2022. If this assumption is incorrect, the dates on paragraphs A, B and C shall be adjusted accordingly unless the Lessee elects to begin the tax abatement before the real property is fully assessed.

The foregoing is subject, in each case, to the Lessee's rights to obtain reductions in the assessed valuation of the Facility Realty, to maintain existing exemptions, and to obtain other exemption, abatements or discounts therefrom, if any, and to seek to obtain a refund of any such payments made, all of which are hereby expressly reserved by the Lessee.

If the Lessee shall fail to make any such installments of payments in lieu of real estate taxes, the amount or amounts so in default shall continue as an obligation of the Lessee until fully paid and the Lessee agrees to pay the same with interest thereon.

In addition, a late payment penalty of five percent (5%) of the amount due shall be paid by the Lessee if payment is not received by the affected tax jurisdiction by the due date. For each month, or part thereof, that the payment in lieu of taxes is delinquent beyond the first month, interest shall accrue and be paid to the affected tax jurisdiction on the total amount due plus a late payment penalty in the amount of one percent (1%) per month until the payment is made. Once having paid the amount required by this Section 4.3 to be paid by it in lieu of real estate taxes, the Lessee shall not be required to pay any such taxes for which a payment in lieu thereof has been made to the appropriate officer of the Town, County or School District, as the case may be.

The Agency shall cause such officers to apportion, within fifteen days prior to the date on which the Agency is no longer to be the owner of the Facility, that installment or payment in lieu of tax paid by the Lessee to the Town, County and the School District, as the case may be, immediately preceding the date on which the Agency no longer owns the Facility, as of such date, and apply that portion attributable to the period from such date to the end of the period of such installment as a credit against the amount of real estate tax that would have been due for the period of such installment had the Facility been privately owned on the final assessment date of the tax year immediately preceding the date of such installment, and bill the Lessee for the balance of such installment, which amount shall be paid by the Lessee to such officer immediately upon the receipt thereof. The Agency shall cause such officers to return the Facility to the tax rolls as of the date of transfer of the title out of the Agency to the new owner of the Facility, who shall pay the remaining installments due for such tax fiscal year.

If the Project is not being used in accordance with the Act and this Agreement, the Lessee shall be required to make full payments in lieu of real estate taxes on the land, building and improvements constituting the Facility in such amount as would result from taxes levied on the Facility if the Facility were owned by the Lessee. Such amounts shall commence to be paid for the period subsequent to the date it is reasonably determined by the Agency that use of the Project under the Act or this Agreement is not in compliance. In such event, the tax rate and valuation shall be those then in effect in the records of the proper County, Town and School District departments, respectively. The Agency in its discretion may waive the increased payments set forth in this paragraph and agree to the continuation of the payments as otherwise set forth in Section 4.3.

The obligations of the Lessee under Sections 4.3 and 4.4 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever. The Agency, in its discretion and in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, may waive, in whole or in part, payments in lieu of taxes, set forth in this Section 4.3, for good cause shown.

Payments for the Town of Hamburg shall be mailed to the Director of Finance, Town of Hamburg, 6100 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York 14075 and are due no later than February 15th of each year.

Payments for the County of Erie shall be mailed to the Erie County Department of Finance, 95 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202 and are due no later than February 15th of each year.

Payments for the Frontier Central School District shall be mailed to District Treasurer, Frontier Central Business Office, Frontier Educational Center, 5120 Orchard Avenue, Hamburg, New York 14075 and are due no later than October 15th of each year.

## EXHIBIT B

Form of Annual Employment and Salary and Fringe Benefits and Related Project Information Certification Letter

, 2019
Re: New Project Verification
Dear:
The Town of Hamburg Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is currently providing assistance in connection with the project in the (Municipality).
The Agency is required to file an annual report with the New York State Comptroller providing information on its activities, and the activities of projects that are assisted by the Agency. In order for the Agency to compile that report, it is necessary that we obtain information relating to assistance provided and benefits derived from all entities that receive such assistance. Failure by the Agency to file the report information required by New York State could result in the Agency losing its ability to provide further assistance or the entity suffering claw-back provisions and forfeiting benefits previously received. Therefore, it is important that this information be provided in an accurate and timely manner.
Attached please find a questionnaire to be completed and returned to the Agency by If you have any questions regarding the required information, please do not nesitate to call our office.
We appreciate your assistance in this matter. A self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.
Very truly yours,

Company name and address:			
Project Name: Company contact: Contact phone number: (Please correct any information above)			
Financing Information			
Has the Agency provided project financing assistance through issuance of a bond or note?			
☐ Yes ☐ No			
If financing assistance was provided, please provide:			
<ul> <li>Original principal balance of bond or note issued</li> <li>Outstanding principal balance of such bond or note at 12/31/19</li> <li>Principal paid during 2019</li> <li>Outstanding principal balance of such bond or not at 12/31/19</li> </ul>			
Interest rate on mortgage as of December 31, 2019			
Final maturity date of the bond or note			
Is the Company a not-for-profit			
Sales Tax Abatement Information			
Did your company receive Sales Tax Abatement on your Project during 2019?			
□ Yes □ No			
If so, please provide the amount of sales tax savings received			
(A copy of the ST-340 sales tax report submitted to New York State for the reporting period is required to be attached with this report)			
Mortgage Recording Tax Information			
Did your company receive Mortgage Tax Abatement on your Project during 2019?			
☐ Yes ☐ No			
(NOTE: Only by applicable the year that a mortgage was placed upon the project)			
The amount of the mortgage recording tax that was abated during 2019			

### **Job Information**

Number of full time equivalent employees ("FTE") existing jobs by category and average hourly wage for each <u>before IDA status</u>

Category	FTE	Average Hourly Wage
Management		
Professional	<del></del>	
Administrative		<del></del>
Production		·
Other	, 	
Current number of FTE	employees for 2019 by category	and average hourly wage
Category	FTE	Average Hourly Wage
Management		
Professional	·	
Administrative	•	
Production		
Other		<del> </del>
Number of FTE jobs crea Agency by category and		he assistance received through the
Category	FTE	Average Hourly Wage
Management		
Professional	<del></del>	
Administrative		
Production		·
Other		

Number of FTE jobs retained during 2019 by category and average hourly wage

Category	FTE	Average Hourly Wage
Management		
Professional		
Administrative		
Production		
Other		
Total annual payroll for 2019	ı	
If the NYS 45 form is not avai accurately reflect the full tim	ilable for the specific p ne jobs created, an inte	is required to be submitted with this report. roject location or the form does not ernal report verifying the total jobs by ation is required with this submission.
Number of FTE construction	jobs created during 20	
Number of FTE construction	jobs during 2019	·

**2019 Capital Investment** 

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief all of the information on this form is correct. I also understand that failure to report completely and accurately may result in enforcement of provisions of my agreement, including but not limited to voidance of the agreement and potential claw back of benefits.

Signed	l:
	(authorized company representative
Date:	

### EXHIBIT C

#### FORM OF SALES TAX LETTER

#### SALES TAX LETTER

[ON OR AFTER JUNE 1, 2014]

[NAME OF COMPANY] [ADDRESS OF COMPANY]

Re: Town of Hamburg Industrial Development Agency and [Name of Company]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to a resolution duly adopted on \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Resolution"), the Town of Hamburg Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") appointed [NAME OF COMPANY] (the "Company") the true and lawful agent of the Agency to undertake a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: [PROJECT DESCRIPTION].

This appointment includes authority to purchase on behalf of the Agency all materials to be incorporated into and made an integral part of the Facility and the following activities as they relate to any construction, erection and completion of any buildings, whether or not any materials, equipment or supplies described below are incorporated into or become an integral part of such buildings: (1) all purchases, leases, rentals and other uses of tools, machinery and equipment in connection with construction and equipping, (2) all purchases, rentals, uses or consumption of supplies, materials, utilities and services of every kind and description used in connection with construction and equipping and (3) all purchases, leases, rentals and uses of equipment, machinery and other tangible personal property (including installation costs), installed or placed in upon or under such building or facility, including all repairs and replacements of such property.

This agency appointment includes the power to delegate such agency, in whole or in part to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses, as is set forth in the Agent Agreement, dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, by and between the Agency and the Company (the "Agent Agreement"). As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, the Agency will complete "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes" (NYS Form ST-60) for the Company and the Agency will execute said form forward said form to the New York State ("State") Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, in order to be entitled to use the exemption from New York State Sales and Use Taxes ("Sales Tax"), the Company, its agents, subagents,

contractors and subcontractors should present to the supplier or vendor of materials for the Project, a completed "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (NYS Form ST-123), to show that the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors are each acting as agent for the Agency in making the purchases of tangible personal property or services for use in the Project, thereby relieving such vendor or seller from the obligation to collect Sales Tax with respect to the construction and installation and equipping of the Facility. In connection therewith, it is necessary for the Company to identify the Project on each bill or invoice and indicate thereon which of the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors acted as agent for the Agency in making the purchases. Copies of each NYS Form ST-123 issued by the Company to a seller shall be forwarded to the Agency within thirty (30) days following the issuance by the Company.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, the Company is required to file an annual statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Company, its agents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company by the Agency with respect to this Project, and the Company is required to provide a copy of same to the Agency within thirty (30) days of each filing; provided, however, in no event later than February 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

The agency conferred on the Company by the Agency is limited to the Project, and will expire on [DATE OF EXPIRATION OF AGENT STATUS]. The Company may apply to extend this agency authority by showing good cause; provided, however, the exemption for leases executed prior to said date shall continue through the term or extended term of said lease and any acquisition of said leased property. Should the agency authority be extended beyond such date, the agency created will continue for as long as the period of the Agency resolution approving such extension.

This letter is provided for the sole purpose of describing the exemption from Sales Tax for this Project only. No other principal/agent relationship is intended or may be implied or inferred by this letter.

With respect to registered vehicles acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency, the Agency shall transfer title to such vehicles immediately back to the Company, or as soon thereafter as reasonable practicable; and any personal property acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency shall be located in the Town of Clarence, New York, except for temporary periods during ordinary use.

This letter is being issued pursuant to the Agent Agreement. All agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project should be aware of the Agent Agreement and obtain a copy thereof.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency is not liable, either directly or indirectly or contingently, upon any such contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase

order in any manner and to any extent whatsoever (including payment or performance obligations	;),
and the Company is the sole party liable thereunder.	-

Very truly yours,

TOWN OF HAMBURG INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

### **EXHIBIT D**

NYS Form ST-123

### **EXHIBIT** E

### **INVOICE RIDER**

(To be completed and attached to each invoice)

of	
"Agency") and that I am purchasing the tangil	e Town of Hamburg industrial Development Agency (the ble personal property or services for use in the following fy as exempt from sales and use taxes under the Project , by and between the Agency and
Name of Project:	Project
Street address of Project Site:	5138 South Park Avenue Town of Hamburg
	Erie County, New York

## EXHIBIT F

### LIST OF APPOINTED AGENTS<sup>1</sup>

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