NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") will hold a public hearing on August 17, 2021 at 10:30 a.m., local time, at the Town of Sheridan Community Center, 2777 Route 20, Town of Sheridan, County of Chautauqua, New York, pursuant to Section 859-a of the General Municipal Law, as amended (the "Act"). The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity for all interested parties to present their views with respect to the "Project" and the "Financial Assistance" (as such terms are defined below).

RAK 1 SOLAR LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (the "Applicant"), presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in a parcel of land located at 3570 Stone Quarry Road, Fredonia, Town of Sheridan, Chautauqua County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping on an approximately 35 acre portion of the Land of: (i) solar photovoltaic modules mounted on a racking system supported by driven posts, (ii) switchgear, combiner boxes, inverters and transformers, (iii) underground and overhead electrical lines and poles, (iv) fencing, (v) a concrete pad, and (vi) a system of access roads, landscaping and related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (3) the acquisition and installation of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment necessary for the completion thereof (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Improvements, collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant and/or its affiliates as a solarpowered electrical generation facility consisting of a 5MW A/C array; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing; and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity(ies) as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Project Facility would be initially owned, operated and/or managed by the Applicant (or such other designated entity(ies)).

The Applicant (or such other designated entity or entities) would receive financial assistance from the Agency in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance").

A representative of the Agency will at the above-stated time and place hear and accept comments from all persons with views with respect to the Project or the Financial Assistance. Interested parties may present their views both orally and in writing with respect to the Project or the Financial Assistance. Comments may also be submitted to the Agency in writing or electronically to: <u>morabitk@chqgov.com</u>

A representative of the Agency will provide a report or reasonable summary of all such comments to the Agency's members.

Subject to applicable law, copies of the Application, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the Project, are available for review by the public online at <u>www.ccida.com</u>.

The public hearing will be streamed on the Agency's website in real-time and a recording of the public hearing will be posted on the Agency's website, all in accordance with Section 857 of the New York General Municipal Law, as amended.

Dated: August 3, 2021

COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Richard E Rifor

By: Richard E. Dixon Chief Financial Officer