

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 Council Session

Item C-1

Presentation Regarding Commercial - Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE)

Consultant Keirstin Beck with Integro and Plant Manager Zachary Ireland with JBS will explain the Commercial - Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) program and how JBS would use it for their plant expansion.

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Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy

Presentation to

City of Grand Island Nebraska Plant Expansion



Keirstin Beck – Integro consultant to JBS & Zachary Ireland JBS Plant Manager



C-PACE in the USA

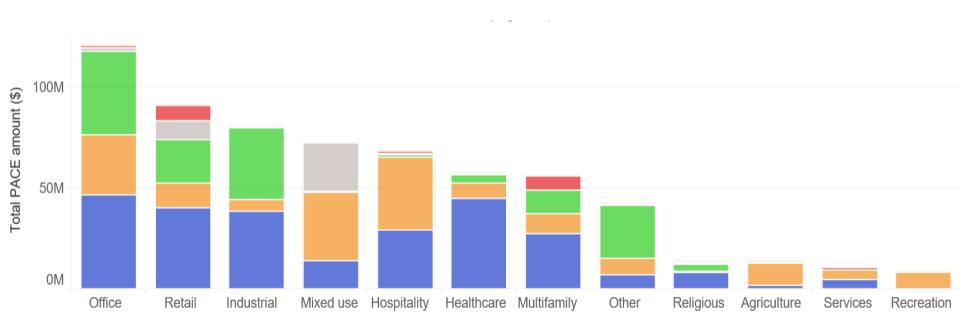
Commercial - Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE)

- C-PACE was established to provide, industrial and agricultural property owners to utilize a financial incentive to install energy efficient, renewable and conservation measures.
- Similar to utilization of special assessments from a business improvement district or a sewer project, PACE special assessments are repaid as part of property taxes.
- First PACE program established in 2008 (CA)
 - Now 36 states (+DC) have PACE enabling legislation 20 have active programs.
 - Over \$1.1B in C-PACE projects funded to date across the country
 - > 2,020 commercial projects
 - > 16,600 jobs created



C-PACE Product Types

Twelve different real estate product types have utilized C-PACE Funds. Office and Retail have deployed the most C-PACE, but over the coming years Industrial and Hospitality will also use a considerable amount of C-PACE funding.



C-PACE Information

- Nebraska Legislation passed C-PACE in 2016, with amendments in 2017 and 2018.
- Municipalities are authorized to create a C-PACE under the statute
- Similar to JBS, property owners are often requesting a program is created where their properties are located due to the economic benefits of using C-PACE
- Educated Lenders are comfortable with C-PACE for two main reasons.
 - No acceleration: C-PACE does not itself accelerate in a default nor does it accelerate the Senior lender in a default situation. Acts as a "quiet" senior.
 - <u>Limited risk</u>: Only annually levied property tax payments, if unpaid, would be considered "senior" to a mortgage in a foreclosure situation.
- Lender Consent, as required by the Nebraska PACE Statute, obtained through a simple "lender consent" form. No inter-creditor required.
- Already working with JBS on similar projects in Illinois and Pennsylvania

City must adopt PACE ordinance

In compliance with Nebraska PACE Act, city must enact ordinance, adopt Program Report and required documents.

Designate property owner and capital provider to complete application that will meet requirements of program and statute

City can designate itself, like Lincoln and Omaha, as program administrator

Form documents adapted for Grand Island, including ordinance, program guide, and application, have been provided and are based on Lincoln, Omaha and LaVista programs. City will recoup costs of program administration by charging program fee to the property owner/applicant

Fee to City of Grand Island 1% capped at \$25,000

Grand Island Project for JBS

- > 107,000 square feet facility; \$95M expansion project
- > \$40M in Eligible PACE measures

> Overall Scope

- improved animal handling facilities, temperature-controlled harvest floor, reconfigured facility designed to improve employee experience/safety, food safety and product quality will result in energy savings (electricity and gas) and improved water treatment processes
- Construction Completion March 2021
- Operations continue through construction
- Continued Partnerships with 670 local producers ongoing

Efficiency Measures for Grand Island

Motors – from constant speed to variable speed

Process flow – shorter motor loaded duration times

Hydraulics – installing PLC controls on hydraulic driven motors to eliminate energy waste and heat gain

Pumping – installation of controls enables pumps to be in standby mode saving energy

Piping – adequate sized piping and minimized pressure drops

Lighting – installation of efficient LED lighting throughout

Water reclamation – reclaiming water from harvest floor processes

Refrigeration – installation of make-up air units and better exhaust contols **Boiler/Steam** – steam piping sizing and insulation and reduced natural gas utilization

Compressed Air – pipe sizing and filter/regulator/lubricant location optimization **Doors/Windows/Roofing** – double-paned windows, and insulated doors/roof **Soft Costs** – General Contractor general conditions and engineering fees

Community Benefits of C-PACE to Grand Island

Plant upgrade critical to keeping the plant competitive and operational enabling JBS Grand Island to continue sourcing beef within 150 miles of the plant

- Transportation Improvements
 Less staging on streets, more efficient flow of trucks
- Employee Safety

Design of the kill floor has been done with updated employee ergonomics with improved washes and air flow resulting in a safer work environment and food safety

Temperature controlled kill floor

Centrally controlled heating and air conditioning (vs. point control and lack of conditioned air)

• Higher Product Output

Expanded output to ensure Grand Island remains the top export plant in the US (over 30 countries)

Construction Employment

General Contractor estimates that there will be 150 workers on site for 18 month construction schedule / directing as much work locally as possible

Animal Welfare

World renowned animal preservation consultant engaged for the re-design Various improvements to the holding pen with focus on animal comfort

Economic Development Tool

- Unique nature of C-PACE allows property owners to make larger, more effective investments for the long-term operations and value of the property
- Ample supply of potential properties that could benefit economically from using C-PACE to improve commercial property values
- Potential to Increase construction activities and scope of construction projects

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GRAND ISLAND PACE DISTRICT Program Manual

SUMMARY

Property Assessed Clean Energy, or PACE is a financing tool enabling development of clean energy projects and energy efficient buildings and operations. Nebraska State Law {Nebraska Revised Statute Sections 13-3203 and 13-3204(3)} allows for the creation of Clean Energy Districts and defines PACE-eligible projects. City of Grand Island Ordinance no. [] passed by the Grand Island City Council on [] created the Grand Island PACE District (GIPD) and provides further requirements for implementation of a PACE program in Grand Island. The City Ordinance also directs the Mayor as the District Administrator (or his/her designee) to create a program manual that describes the application process, eligibility and other relevant program guidance. This GIPD Program Manual was created to satisfy that requirement.

The State law and the City ordinance provide the minimum requirements for a PACE application and project, as well as the circumstances under which an application or project will not be eligible for PACE financing. This program manual provides guidance for the program and clarification on topics not specifically addressed by either the State Law or City ordinance.

The intent of this program is to incentivize the reduction of energy, water, wastewater and solid waste usage/generation in our community. The City of Grand Island views PACE as a tool to encourage developers and property owners to go beyond the requirements of energy and building codes to achieve meaningful reductions in energy and water use and waste generation.

Attachment 1 provides a diagram of the relationship of all parties in the GIPD transaction process.

Terminology

It should be noted that references to "energy project", "energy efficiency" or "energy savings" throughout this document are intended to include projects, efficiencies and savings associated with energy, water, wastewater, solid waste, storm water or other eligible utility projects or equipment under the GIPD program consistent with this section.

Boundaries of the GIPD

Currently, only qualifying projects located within the Grand Island city limits or its extraterritorial jurisdiction ("ETJ") are eligible for PACE financing. Other local government jurisdictions within the State of Nebraska may join the GIPD upon establishment of an inter-local agreement.

Eligible Property Types

Although State Law allows for commercial, industrial, residential, and agricultural projects to be eligible for PACE; at this time, the City ordinance and the GIPD program only allows for commercial (including multifamily residential property comprised of more than four dwelling units) and industrial PACE projects.

Eligible Project Types

Projects including new construction and the rehabilitation of existing buildings and operations are eligible for PACE financing in the GIPD. The statute (NEB. REV. STAT. § 13-3203(3) defines energy efficient improvements to mean:

[A]ny acquisition, installation, or modification benefiting publicly or privately owned property that is designed to reduce the electric, gas, water, or other utility demand or consumption of the buildings on or to be constructed on such property or to promote the efficient and effective management of natural resources or storm water

The types of project improvements eligible for PACE financing within the GIPD include, but are not limited to the following:

(a) Insulation in walls, roofs, floors, foundations, or heating and cooling distribution systems;

(b) Storm windows and doors; multi-glazed windows and doors; heat absorbing or heat-reflective glazed and coated window and door systems; and additional glazing, reductions in glass area, and other window and door system modifications that reduce energy consumption;

- (c) Automated energy control systems;
- (d) Heating, ventilating, or air conditioning and distribution system modifications or replacements;
- (e) Caulking, weather-stripping, and air sealing;
- (f) Replacement or modification of lighting fixtures to reduce the energy use of the lighting system;
- (g) Energy recovery systems;
- (h) Daylighting systems;

(i) Installation or upgrade of electrical wiring or outlets to charge a motor vehicle that is fully or partially powered by electricity;

(j) Facilities providing for water conservation or pollutant control;

(k) Roofs designed to reduce energy consumption or support additional loads necessitated by other energy efficiency improvements;

(I) Installation of energy-efficient fixtures, including, but not limited to, water heating systems, escalators, and elevators;

(m) Energy efficiency related items (i.e. demolition/drywall replacement, etc. incident to efficiency equipment or material installation) so long as the cost of the energy efficiency related items financed does not exceed twenty-five percent of the total cost of the energy;

(n) Waste recycling systems and support equipment;

(o) Any other installation or modification of equipment, devices, or materials approved as a utility cost-saving measure by the municipality;

(p) Renewable energy systems including but not limited to the following:

- (i) Nonhazardous biomass;
- (ii) Solar and solar thermal energy;
- (iii) Wind energy;
- (iv) Geothermal energy;
- (v) Methane gas captured from a landfill or elsewhere;
- (vi) Photovoltaic systems;
- (vii) Cogeneration and tri-generation systems;

(viii) Renewable energy system does not include an incinerator;

- (ix) Renewable energy resource does not include petroleum, nuclear power, natural gas, coal, or hazardous biomass.
- (q)

Storm water or other "natural resource" management shall include improvements to buildings or property designed to protect against damage from storm water, and other natural resource management shall include improvements to protect against wind or storm damage.

Timing and Eligibility

While applicants are encouraged to submit an application to the GIPD PACE program prior to or concurrently with the application for a building permit, the GIPD will accept PACE applications for projects with an open building permit and/or not having received a final certificate of occupancy. PACE applications and instructions are available at ______ and is included as Attachment 2. Building permit applications and instructions are available at: https://crand.stand.ne.gov/city/build/permits.htm.

In addition, the GIPD PACE program will accept PACE applications for completed projects – so long as they fulfill all applicable eligibility requirements – that have been completed since the passage and signing into law of the Nebraska Property Assessed Clean Energy Act in 2016, and which are accompanied by a statement that the property owner intended to use PACE but for the availability of PACE within the GIPD.

Annual Assessment and Average Weighted Useful Life

Section 3 (1) of the State law requires an "agreement to pay an annual assessment for a period not to exceed the weighted average useful life of the energy project." The weighted average useful life includes only physical improvements to a property for which an average useful life may be calculated. Furthermore, the improvement must qualify as an energy efficiency improvement under Section 3(3) of the Nebraska State law or other eligible improvement listed under "Eligible Project Types" (above).

Eligible Costs

Section 5(1) of the State law states "the costs financed under the assessment contract may include the cost of materials and labor necessary for installation, permit fees, inspection fees, application and administrative fees, bank fees, and all other fees that may be incurred by the owner pursuant to the installation."

Savings to Investment Ratio ("SIR")

Nebraska State Law requires the savings realized by an energy project to equal or exceed the principal cost of the energy project. Therefore, an SIR of 1.0 or greater is required for all energy projects. The SIR is generally calculated by dividing the projected energy savings for the life of the improvements, as well as maintenance cost and other property operating savings expected during the financing period, by the cost of the eligible energy efficiency improvements. When calculating the SIR, the SIR for individual discrete components of the project for which PACE funding is being requested must be provided. The GIPD's approval will be based on the total SIR for the entire project meeting an SIR of 1.0 or greater.

Applicants should include estimated operations and maintenance costs, and projected increases (escalations) in the cost of energy use, in the calculations. In addition, demonstrable savings from MACRS depreciation may be included in the cost savings calculation.

The GIPD will evaluate the methodology used to determine the energy savings calculations. At this time, the GIPD does not favor one methodology over another. However, please include in the application an explanation of the methodology used to determine the SIR. The GIPD may prescribe a methodology at a future date.

Energy Projects and Building Codes

The GIPD requires an energy project to meet all relevant energy and building codes. However, for new construction, only aspects of the energy project that exceed energy and building codes are eligible for PACE financing in the GIPD. Nebraska energy codes are presented

at http://www.neo.ne.gov/home_const/iecc/iecc_codes.htm.

Costs associated with building to these requirements are eligible under the GIPD with the exception of new construction which is required to exceed such requirements as referenced above. In both new construction and rehabilitation projects, an engineer must demonstrate that the savings generated by the energy project will exceed the cost of the energy project through the life of the PACE loan, as required by State law for loans of \$250,000 or greater.

Verification of Completed Energy Project

Section 4(m) of the Nebraska State Law requires the municipality to obtain verification that the renewable GIPD Program Manual 9/30/2019

energy system or energy efficiency improvement was properly installed and is operating as intended. To meet these criteria, City Inspectors must sign off on components of the project for which they have jurisdiction. Additionally, a professional engineer licensed in the State of Nebraska must provide a letter to the GIPD stating the systems or improvements were properly installed and are operating as intended.

Funding Level and Fees

The GIPD will accept applications for two general types of projects: Large (Class I) and Small (Class II). The criteria and fee structure for each is summarized in the following table:

Loan Type	Minimum Amount	Maximum Amount	Application Fee	Administrative Fee	Annual Fee
Class I	\$250,000.00	N/A	\$1,000.00	1% of loan not to exceed \$25,000.00	\$500.00
Class II	\$50,000.00	<\$250,000.00	\$500.00	1% of loan not to exceed \$2500.00	\$250.00

The application fee is collected at the time of application. This fee is not refundable.

An administrative fee is due upon approval of the PACE project. The administrative fee shall be subject to a 50% reduction for a project requiring submission of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) fees.

The annual administrative fee will be collected throughout the life of the loan.

Class II projects do not require independent engineering review and certification of energy/utility savings. However, the applicant may still require technical assistance in developing the savings information required in the application.

GIPD Application Instructions

The GIPD PACE application is included as Attachment 2 and is also located at the following web address:

______, along with other PACE-related resources. A link to the State law and City ordinance appear on this webpage, as well.

Your completed applications should be submitted via email to: [

]

Applicants should, as best as they can, provide responses to questions within the application form, rather than relying on attachments. Attachments providing supporting data, drawings, and calculations are acceptable.

Provided below is clarification for specific sections of the application.

Project Details

Please describe the entire project, not just PACE component of the project. Please include drawings, maps, GIPD Program Manual 9/30/2019

and photographs, when appropriate.

Financing Details

Applicants may add rows to the tables provided in this section.

A Professional Engineer is required to determine/approve the energy savings calculations for Class I applications.

Other Topics

Applying for both PACE and TIF

If the project requires both PACE and TIF funding, applicants should indicate as such on the application.

Who reviews the applications?

City of Grand Island staff will review the applications. Please direct inquiries and submit your application to: fuhlarik@Grand Island.ne.gov.

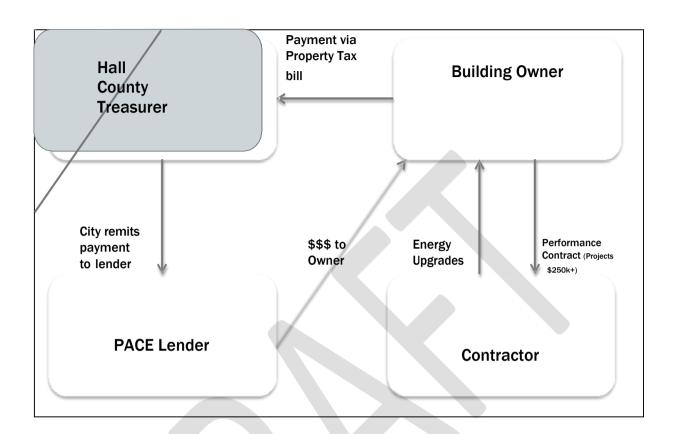
Who approves the applications?

The City/GIPD has designated [] as the designated District Administrator to review and approve applications. The District Administrator may approve or disapprove the applications, or may request additional information from the applicant. When District Administrator approving or disapproving the application, the District Administrator will provide a letter to the applicant with the decision.

3 Attachments

- 1) Transaction Process Diagram
- 2) GIPD Application
- 3) Sample Assessment Contract

ATTACHMENT 1 PACE TRANSACTION DIAGRAM



ATTACHMENT 2 GIPD APPLICATION

GRAND ISLAND PACE DISTRICT (GIPD) PROJECT APPLICATION

100 East First Street,

Grand Island, NE

ATTN: []

EMAIL: []

Name of Project:

City where project is located:

County where project is located:

Date final application submitted:

Property Owner Information

Legal name of property owner (Applicant)	
Tax ID number: FEIN or SSN	
Property owner contact person	
Telephone/email of contact person	

Property Information

Address of property	
Property type	
Tax key number (APN#)	
Assessed property value	
Appraised property value	
Building size (sq. feet)	
Year building built	
Legal Description of Property	

Other PACE Projects

Does the property owner hold any other PACE loans and has the property owner previously applied for PACE?____Yes____No

If yes, please provide details:

Project Narrative Briefly describe the overall project. Submit separate sheets if necessary.

Project Details Submit separate sheets if necessary

Measure #	Description /Specification of Energy/Water/Waste Measure
#1	
#2	
#3	
#4	
#5	
#6	

Note: Energy, water and waste savings should be over term of financing period rather than useful life, unless useful life is less than the term.

Measure #	Construction Costs/Bids	Estimated Useful Life (yrs.)	Year #1 Energy, Water & Waste Savings	, &	Year #1 Maintenance & Operational Savings	Over Term Energy, Water & Waste Savings (specify % growth/yr.)	Over Term Maintenance & Operational Savings (specify % growth/yr.)	Over Term Total Savings (Energy + Water + Waste +O&M)
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Financing Details

PACE capital provider	
PACE consultant (if any)	
Proposed PACE term (in years)	
Proposed interest rate and any	
Fees	
A normal accordance and a maximum	
Annual assessment amount	
GIPD administrative fee	
Financing closing date (est.)	

Mortgage & lien holder information

Signed mortgage or lien holder consent required. (Attach additional pages if more than 1 mortgage or lien holder)

Financial institution name	
Financial institution contact person	
Contact person phone & email	

Approval Criteria

Please mark all that apply. *Note: property owner refers to the legal entity which owns the property.*

	Applicant owns the property where the project will be located.
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Proposed improvements will be affixed to the property.

The property owner has sufficient resources to complete the project.

____ There are no delinquent ad valorem taxes for this property.

There are no delinquent personal property taxes for this property.

There are no delinquent special assessments for this property.

There are no overdue or delinquent water or sewer charges for this property.

There are no involuntary liens, including but not limited to construction liens for this property.

There are no notices of default pursuant to any mortgage or deed of trust related to this property.

The property owner has not declared bankruptcy in the last 5 years.

The property owner is solvent and has no significant pending legal action.

The are no unresolved or pending violations or complaints of violations of the Grand Island Municipal Code for this property.

The property owner understands that the estimated economic benefit, including, but not limited to, energy cost savings, maintenance cost savings, and other property operating savings expected from the energy project during the financing period, is equal to or greater than the principal cost of the energy project.

The property owner is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing in the state of its organization, with authority to do business under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

All owners of the property are aware of and approve the project.

The property owner has obtained an acknowledged and verified written consent and subordination agreement executed by each mortgage holder or trust deed beneficiary stating that the mortgagee or beneficiary consents to the imposition of the annual assessment and that the priority of the mortgage or trust deed is subordinated.

The property owner possesses all legal authority necessary to execute all project documents.

All required permits, consents, approvals and authorizations in connection with the project have been obtained or will be obtained.

If any of these criteria are not met, please attach an explanation.

Required Application Documents and Information

The following documents and information are needed at time of application submission to obtain approval for funding through GREEN PACE.

- Applicant name and contact information, including property owner and developer.*
- Project location and legal description.*
- Identification of contractor or supplier, including anticipated PACE contractor.*
- Submit a copy of the approved bid for the energy efficiency project (attach signed bid/estimate).
- Project description.*
- Total project cost.*
- Description of proposed improvements.*
- Description of energy efficiency project to be financed.*
- Amount of requested assessment.*
- Interest rate on the PACE assessment and any required fees.*
- Term of assessment.*
- Estimated savings.*
- Title report showing any mortgage or lien holders. (attach title report)
- Lender consent (attach consent document)
- Projected jobs created by PACE project.*
- Projected environmental benefits.*
- Energy analysis report (attach engineer's report identifying qualifying energy and water conservation measures, energy and water conservation cost savings, maintenance cost savings, and other property operating savings expected from the energy and water conservation project).
- Funding source.*
- Assessment contract
- Completed application or attachments with required information.

* included on application form or as attachment.

Submission Instructions

Submit this application and necessary documents to fuhlarik@Grand Island.ne.gov

Approval Process

The GIPD will issue a decision (or request additional information) for all projects within 30 calendar days for non - time critical applications. Approval timeline does not begin until a full application is received by GIPD. Review times can be accelerated for time critical applications.

Property Owner Signature

To the best of my knowledge, the statements made above are complete, true and accurate. I hereby certify that I am authorized to submit this application and affix my signature below. I recognize that submission of this application does not guarantee approval for funding.

Signature			
Title	 	—	
Printed name			
Date			

ATTACHMENT 3 SAMPLE ASSESSMENT CONTRACT

ASSESSMENT CONTRACT

THIS ASSESSMENT CONTRACT (this "Contract"), is made and entered into this day of _______, 20___ (the "Effective Date") by and among THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, AS GOVERNING BODY FOR THE GRAND ISLAND PACE DISTRICT, a clean energy district and political subdivision of the State of Nebraska ("GIPD"), _____, a ____ ("Lender"), and ____, a ____ ("Property Owner"), and is made a part of that certain Construction Loan Agreement dated as of the same date made by and between Lender and Property Owner, such Construction Loan Agreement hereafter referred to as the "Loan Agreement."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Property Owner is the owner of certain real property located at _________in the City of ______, Nebraska (the "City") (as further described on <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto, the "Property");

WHEREAS, the City has adopted Ordinance No.____ (the "Ordinance"), an ordinance to enable the Municipality to create a clean energy assessment district pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Sections 13-3201 to 13-3211, inclusive, and known as the "Property Assessment Clean Energy Act," (the "Act");

WHEREAS, Property Owner has obtained the written consent of all persons or entities that currently hold mortgage liens or deeds of trust on the Property, if any, to the Loan, as herein defined and this Contract;

WHEREAS, Property Owner intends to make energy efficiency improvements (as such term is used in Neb. Rev. Stat. §13-3203(3) of the Act) at the Property, as described on Exhibit **B** attached hereto (the "Project");

WHEREAS, Lender has agreed to make a loan to Property Owner in the amount of (the "Loan"), the proceeds of which will be used to fund the implementation of the Project;

WHEREAS, City has agreed to direct the Lancaster County Treasurer to levy special assessments, collect or cause the collection of the special assessments, record such special assessments as a lien on the Property, as allowed by the Act, and remit payments on such special assessments to Lender to be applied to pay down the Loan, all as more particularly set forth herein;

WHEREAS, City is authorized to enter into this Contract pursuant to the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the making of the Loan and the financing and collection arrangements between Lender, Property Owner and City, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Lender, Property Owner and City agree as follows:

1. <u>Defined Terms.</u> The words and phrases as specifically defined in NEB. REV. STAT. § 13-3203, as amended, or in the Ordinance shall have their defined meanings. The following capitalized terms used in this Contract shall have the meanings defined or referenced below or in the Recitals above:

"<u>Bi-Annual Installment</u>" means the portion of the Loan Amount that is due in a particular year as more fully described in Sections 2 and 5 hereof and shown on **Exhibit C**, as may be increased by the County Treasurer Fee, if applicable, pursuant to Section 5(a).

"County Treasurer" means the office of the Lancaster County Treasurer.

"<u>Register of Deeds</u>" means the office of the Register of Deeds for Lancaster County.

"Lender Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13(a) hereof.

"Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12(a) hereof.

"Loan" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals above.

"Loan Amount" means, as of any date of computation, the outstanding amount of all principal under the Note, accrued but unpaid interest and any applicable penalties, costs, fees, charges, late payment charges, default interest rate charges, prepayment premiums or administrative expenses related to the Loan, including without limitation, the administrative fees set forth in Section 14 hereof and any and all other administrative fees to be paid to County Treasurer or Lender by Property Owner in connection with the Loan.

"Loan Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble above.

"<u>Note</u>" shall have the meaning given such term in the Loan Agreement.

"<u>PACE Special Assessments</u>" means the aggregate amount of all Bi-Annual Installments of the Loan Amount, which Bi-Annual Installments shall be levied as special assessments pursuant to Section 13-3205(7) of the Act.

"<u>City Parties</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12(a) hereof.

"Tax Year" means the period from January 1 through the following December 31.

2. <u>Payments.</u> The Loan Amount shall be payable in Bi-Annual Installments. The Loan shall bear interest, including default interest, at the rates set forth in the Note and payments shall be due under the Note and the Loan Agreement as more fully described therein and in Section 5 of this Contract, ending upon payment in full of the Loan Amount and all other charges, fees, expenses and other amounts due under this Contract, the Loan Agreement and the Note. The amounts of the Bi-Annual Installments are based on a Loan Amount as of the date of this Contract of **\$____**. The Loan shall be fully amortized over the term of the Loan,

and shall be repaid on the terms set forth in this Contract, the Loan Agreement and the Note. Each year during the term of this Contract, Lender shall supply GIPD with the amount of the Bi-Annual Installment for such year by delivering a completed Lender Installment Certificate in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit D** on or before December 31 of such year. Should Lender fail to deliver a Lender Installment Certificate on or before December 31 of any year, with a copy to the Property Owner, the Bi-Annual Installment shall be presumed to be the same as the Bi-Annual Installment for the applicable year as shown on **Exhibit C**, with any surplus or shortfall to be addressed by adjusting the amount of the subsequent year's Bi-Annual Installment.

3. <u>Consent to PACE Special Assessments.</u>

(a) By entering into the Contract, GIPD hereby agrees to enforce the PACE Special Assessments and impose the Bi-Annual Installments as special assessments pursuant to the Act. Upon execution of this Contract, GIPD will cause this Contract to be recorded against the Property in the office of the Register of Deeds.

(b) Property Owner hereby agrees and acknowledges: (i) that Property Owner has received or will receive a special benefit by financing the Project through GIPD that equals or exceeds the total amount of the PACE Special Assessments (ii) that the Property is subject to the PACE Special Assessments and consents to the levy of the Bi-Annual Installments; (iii) that Property Owner shall pay the Bi-Annual Installments when due pursuant to the terms set forth in this Contract, the Loan Agreement and the Note; (iv) that Bi-Annual Installments of the PACE Special Assessments are a lien on the Property as provided in the Act and the Ordinance.

4. <u>Term</u>. This Contract shall remain in full force and in effect until the Loan Amount and all other charges, fees, expenses and other amounts due under this Contract, the Loan Agreement and the Note have been paid in full.

5. <u>Bi-Annual Installments.</u>

(a) During the term of this Contract, GIPD expects to collect the Bi-Annual Installments with the assistance of the County Treasurer. The County Treasurer shall collect the Bi-Annual Installments and GIPD, the Property Owner and the Lender agree that the County Treasurer may deduct from such Bi-Annual Installments a collection fee in such amount as allowed by law (the "County Treasurer Fee").

(b) The aggregate amount of all PACE Special Assessments shall equal the Loan Amount and any such amount as needed to pay the County Treasurer Fee, as shown on **Exhibit C** attached and incorporated by this reference.

(c) Property Owner hereby agrees to pay the property tax bills and Bi-Annual Installments for the Property during the term of this Contract in a timely fashion so as to avoid any default or delinquency in such payment.

(d) If Property Owner fails to pay all or part of any Bi-Annual Installment when due, the parties hereto acknowledge and agree that (i) default interest on the unpaid amounts of the Bi-Annual Installments shall accrue in favor of Lender as set forth in the Note, (ii) such default interest shall be added to the PACE Special Assessments and shall be included as part of the Bi-Annual Installments due thereafter unless and until all such accrued and unpaid default interest is paid in full, and (iii) such default interest shall be in addition to any and all penalties and interest that may be imposed by or accrue in favor of GIPD as a result of Property Owner's failure to pay real estate or other property taxes or other assessments on the Property. In addition, Bi-Annual Installments shall continue to be levied as special assessments notwithstanding Property Owner's failure to pay all or part of any past Bi-Annual Installment, such that the County Treasurer shall continue to levy Bi-Annual Installments, including default interest to be paid to Lender, until the Loan Amount, including all accrued and unpaid interest, is paid in full.

(e) Property Owner hereby acknowledges and agrees that failure to pay any Bi-Annual Installment of the PACE Special Assessments, like failure to pay any property taxes pertaining to the Property, will result in penalties and interest accruing in favor of Lender on the amounts due, in addition to penalties and interest that may accrue in favor of GIPD. In addition, GIPD shall record a PACE lien on the Property as a result of any delinquent Bi-Annual Installments of the PACE Special Assessments. Furthermore, Property Owner agrees not to seek a compromise of any delinquent Bi-Annual Installment.

6. Loan Amount; Prepayment.

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions in the Loan Agreement, Lender agrees to disburse to Property Owner the Loan Amount.

Property Owner may only prepay the Loan as set forth in the Construction **(b)** Loan Agreement. In the event of any permitted prepayment, Lender shall certify to Property Owner and GIPD the aggregate amount due on the Loan, including principal, interest, and fees and any prepayment premium, within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written request for prepayment from Property Owner. GIPD shall certify to Property Owner and Lender any and all amounts collected by GIPD and not yet remitted to Lender within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a written request for prepayment by Property Owner, as well as any administrative fees payable, but not yet collected, as of the anticipated prepayment date. To the extent that GIPD has received any funds from Property Owner prior to Property Owner's requested date of prepayment, but has not yet remitted the same to Lender, GIPD shall remit the same to Lender on or before the date of Property Owner's requested date of prepayment. No prepayment shall be effective, and no funds paid by Property Owner or GIPD will be applied to the Loan Amount, unless and until Lender receives the full Loan Amount from GIPD and Property Owner. Property Owner acknowledges that failure of GIPD to remit any funds held by GIPD on or prior to Property Owner's requested date of prepayment may result in additional interest due in connection with such prepayment.

(c) Without the prior written consent of Lender, which consent may be given or withheld in Lender's sole discretion, the Loan may <u>not</u> be prepaid in part and, if such consent is given, any such partial prepayment must be made in strict compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in such written consent, which terms and conditions may include a prepayment penalty. Any partial prepayment in violation of this provision will not be accepted by Lender. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Property Owner shall not be deemed to have made a prepayment if Property Owner decides to pay any Bi-Annual Installment in full, as opposed to payment on an installment basis, for any given year, as applicable.

7. <u>Collection of Bi-Annual Installments; Payments to Lender</u>.

(a) The County Treasurer shall follow reasonable and customary practices to collect the Bi-Annual Installments once levied, including assessing penalties and charging interest.

(b) GIPD agrees to separately account for any Bi-Annual Installment payments collected or otherwise received for the Property. GIPD shall remit the collected Bi-Annual Installment payments to Lender in accordance with the payment schedule set forth in this Contract.

8. <u>Other Obligations Payable from Special Charges</u>. GIPD will not issue or incur any obligations payable from the proceeds of the PACE Special Assessments nor voluntarily create or cause to be created any debt, lien, pledge, assignment, encumbrance or other charge upon the PACE Special Assessments or the Bi-Annual Installments, except for administrative fees as provided in this Contract or as allowed by the Act.

9. <u>GIPD Representations regarding Loan and Loan Documents</u>. GIPD hereby represents to Lender and to Property Owner that (i) it is and will be duly authorized under all applicable laws to execute this Contract, (ii) this Contract is and will be the valid and legally enforceable obligation of GIPD, enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be subject to bankruptcy and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and (iii) this Contract and the dollar amount and all other terms and conditions of the Loan as set forth herein, the Loan Agreement and the Note are in compliance with the provisions of the Act and the Ordinance. GIPD shall at all times, to the extent permitted by law, defend, preserve and protect the PACE Special Assessments created by this Contract and all the rights of Lender hereunder against all claims and demands of all other persons whomsoever.

10. <u>Re-Levy of Special Charge</u>. If GIPD shall have omitted to cause the assessment or collection of any PACE Special Assessments when it is required by this Contract or by the Act or Ordinance to have done so, then GIPD shall either: (i) take all necessary steps to cause new PACE Special Assessments (equal in amount to those not assessed, levied or collected plus interest and penalties, if any, thereon) to be levied against the Property in addition to those PACE Special Assessments otherwise to be levied or assessed against the Property.

11. <u>Waiver of Claims Against GIPD.</u>

(a) For and in consideration of GIPD's execution and delivery of this Contract, Property Owner, for itself and for its successor-in-interest to the Property and for any one claiming by, through or under Property Owner, hereby waives the right to recover from GIPD and any and all officials, agents, employees, attorneys and representatives of GIPD (collectively, the "GIPD Parties"), and fully and irrevocably

releases the GIPD Parties from, any and all claims, obligations, liabilities, causes of action or damages including attorneys' fees and court costs, that Property Owner may now have or hereafter acquire against any of the GIPD Parties and accruing from or related to (i) this Contract, (ii) the disbursement of the Loan Amount, (iii) the levy and collection of the Bi-Annual Installments, (iv) the imposition of the lien of the PACE Special Assessments, (v) the performance of the Project, (vi) the Project, (vii) any damage to or diminution in value of the Property that may result from construction or installation of the Project, (viii) any injury or death that may result from the construction or installation of the Project, (ix) the selection of manufacturer(s), dealer(s), supplier(s), contractor(s) and/or installer(s), and their action or inaction with respect to the Project, (x) the merchantability and fitness for any particular purpose, use or application of the Project, (xi) the amount of energy savings resulting from the Project or any assured performance guaranty, (xii) the workmanship of any third parties under any agreements including any construction contracts, and (xiii) any other matter with respect to the Program (collectively, the "Liabilities"). This release includes claims, obligations, liabilities, causes of action and damages of which Property Owner is not presently aware or which Property Owner does not suspect to exist which, if known by Property Owner, would materially affect Property Owner's release of the GIPD Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Property Owner's release under this section shall not extend to Liabilities arising from GIPD's intentional default, gross negligence or willful misconduct.

(b) The waivers and releases by Property Owner contained in this Section shall survive the disbursement of the Loan Amount or any portion thereof, the payment of the Loan Amount in full, the transfer or sale of the Property by Property Owner and the termination of this Contract.

12. Waiver of Claims Against Lender.

(a) For and in consideration of Lender's execution and delivery of this Contract, Property Owner, for itself and for its successor-in-interest to the Property and for any one claiming by, through or under Property Owner, hereby waives the right to recover from the Lender and any and all officials, agents, employees, attorneys and representatives of Lender (collectively, the "Lender Parties"), and fully and irrevocably releases the Lender Parties from, any and all claims, obligations, liabilities, causes of action or damages including attorneys' fees and court costs, that Property Owner may now have or hereafter acquire against any of the Lender Parties and accruing from or related to the Liabilities, as defined above. This release includes claims, obligations, liabilities, causes of action and damages of which Property Owner is not presently aware or which Property Owner does not suspect to exist which, if known by Property Owner, would materially affect Property Owner's release of the Lender Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Property Owner's release under this Section shall not extend to Liabilities arising from Lender's intentional default, gross negligence or willful misconduct.

(b) The waivers and releases by Property Owner contained in this Section shall survive the disbursement of the Loan Amount or any portion thereof, the payment of the Loan Amount in full, the transfer or sale of the Property by Property Owner and the termination of this Contract.

13. <u>Administrative Fees.</u>

(a) Property Owner agrees to pay a one-time administration processing fee to GIPD in the amount of % of the project costs financed through the Loan (i.e., the Loan amount less all fees and expenses incurred in issuing the Loan), or _____ and _/100 Dollars (\$____). Such payment shall be included in the initial Bi-Annual Installment.

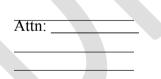
(b) The Bi-Annual Installments shall include a Bi-Annual administrative fee to be collected by GIPD in the amount of \$_____per year as of January 1st of each year. This fee shall be included, on a Bi-Annual basis, in the Bi-Annual Installments to be set forth on Schedule of Bi-Annual Installments attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

14. <u>Project Completion</u>. Upon completion of the Project, Property Owner will submit to GIPD and Lender a written certification from Property Owner and the contractor(s), if any, that performed the work incident to the construction and installation of the Project, stating the actual cost of the Project. If the actual cost of the Project is less than the Loan Amount advanced by the Lender, the Property Owner shall immediately repay to GIPD the excess of the amount advanced over such actual cost of the Project and GIPD shall remit the full amount thereof to Lender.

15. <u>Notices.</u>

All notices, requests, demands and other communications hereunder shall be given in writing and shall be: (a) personally delivered; (b) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (c) sent to the parties at their respective addresses indicated herein by private overnight mail courier service. The respective addresses to be used for all such notices, demands or requests are as follows:

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or to such other person or address as Property Owner shall furnish to Lender and GIPD in writing.

(b) If to Lender, to:

(with a copy to)

(c)

Attn:

or to such other person or address as Lender shall furnish to Property Owner and GIPD in writing.

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or to such other person or address as GIPD shall furnish to Property Owner and Lender in writing.

If personally delivered, such communication shall be deemed delivered upon actual receipt (or refusal to accept delivery); if sent by registered or certified mail, such communication shall be deemed delivered upon actual receipt (or refusal to accept delivery); and if sent by overnight courier pursuant to this Section, such communication shall be deemed delivered upon receipt. Any party to this Contract may change its address for the purposes of this Contract by giving notice thereof in accordance with this Section.

16. <u>Assignment or Sale by Lender</u>. Property Owner and GIPD agree that Lender may, at its option, assign the Loan, and its rights and obligations under the Loan (including this Contract, the Note and the other Loan Documents). Property Owner, GIPD and Lender acknowledge and agree that there are no limitations on the right of Lender to assign its interests in the Loan.

17. <u>Supremacy</u>. In the event of any conflict, inconsistency or ambiguity between the provisions of this Contract and the provisions of the Loan Agreement, the provisions of this Contract shall control.

18. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Lender and Property Owner hereby agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and local lending and disclosure requirements and with the provisions of the Act.

19. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which together shall be deemed a single agreement.

20. <u>Amendment</u>. This Contract may be amended only by a writing signed by Property Owner, Lender and GIPD.

21. <u>Severability</u>. If any one or more of the provisions of this Contract shall be found to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect of to any extent, such finding shall not affect the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Contract.

22. <u>Transferability</u>. Property Owner, Lender and GIPD agree that the obligations of this Contract are covenants that shall run with the land and be binding on all future owners of the Property.

23. <u>Effect of Subdivision of Property</u>. No subdivision of the Property subject to this Contract shall be valid unless an amendment to this Contract divides the total Bi-Annual Assessment due between the newly subdivided parcels pro rata to the special benefit realized by each subdivided parcel.

[Signature Page Follows]

Executed as of the date set forth above.

By:			
Name:			

Title _____

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

 STATE OF______)

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 COUNTY OF______)

On this _____day of ______, 20_, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, appeared _______, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that s/he is the _______of the ______, a ______, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its members, and said individual acknowledged said instrument to be executed for the purposes therein stated and as the free act and deed of said company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, the day and year last above written.

(SEAL)

My commission expires:______.

By:
Name:

Title:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

 STATE OF ______
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On this _____day of ______, 20_, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, appeared ______, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the ______of ____a___ limited liability company, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its members, and said individual acknowledged said instrument to be executed for the purposes therein stated and as the free act and deed of said company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, the day and year last above written.

(SEAL)

Printed Name: ______ Notary Public in and for said State Commissioned in ______

My commission expires:

GRAND ISLAND PACE DISTRICT

By:____ Name:

Title:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

 STATE OF______
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 COUNTY OF______

On this _____day of ______, 20____, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, appeared _______, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the ______of _____, a clean energy development board and political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said board by authority of its governing body, and said individual acknowledged said instrument to be executed for the purposes therein stated and as the free act and deed of said board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, the day and year last above written.

(SEAL)

Commissioned in _____

Printed Name:

Notary Public in and for said State

My commission expires:

EXHIBIT A

Legal Description of Property

EXHIBIT B

Description of Project

EXHIBIT C

SCHEDULE OF BI-ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS

The above Bi-Annual Installments are based on the following assumptions:

- 1. Interest is calculated on an actual (365 day) year basis, compounded Bi-Annually.
- 2. There is no Bi-Annual Installment due December 31, 20. The amount shown above for such date represents capitalized interest.
- 3. The Lender disburses all Loan proceeds to Property Owner (as defined in the Construction Loan Agreement) on _______, 20_. Interest accrues from the date of disbursement at the interest rate described above. Property Owner acknowledges that an amount equal to all interest that shall accrue from the date of disbursement until the date of the anticipated receipt of the initial Bi-Annual Installment by Lender (December 31, 20_), shall be disbursed to Lender at Closing.
- 4. After the initial Bi-Annual Installment, GIPD will adjust the PACE Special Assessments and the subsequent Bi-Annual Installments, if necessary, to reflect the actual PACE Special Assessments due pursuant to the Assessment Contract, as certified to GIPD by Lender.
- 5. The above Bi-Annual Installments shown above shall include the County Treasurer Fee.

EXHIBIT D

Lender's Form of Installment Certification

Payment Date	Property Tax Key No.	Borrower	Date of PACE Loan	Bi-Annual Installment/Special Charge	Interest Rate for Next Year	Number of Installments Remaining	Outstanding Loan Amount as of date of Installment Certification
12/31/20							
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The undersigned, an authorized representative of the Lender hereby certifies that the information contained in this Installment Certification is true and accurate, and may be relied upon by GIPD in connection with those certain Construction Loan Agreements and those certain Assessment Contracts as detailed above.

LENDER:

By:	Date:
Printed Name:	Title: