

**APPENDIX M  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
FOR A SYSTEM  
GREATER THAN 5 MW AND LESS THAN 10 MW**

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AT [ADDRESS]**

**BETWEEN**

**LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY D/B/A LIPA**

**AND**

**[PARTY NAME]**

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THIS INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ by and between Long Island Lighting Company doing business as LIPA (“LIPA”), a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Long Island Power Authority (“Authority”) which is a corporate municipality and political subdivision of the State of New York, each with its headquarters at 333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Uniondale, New York 11553 and [PARTY NAME] organized under the laws of the State of [\_\_\_\_\_] (“Generator”), with its offices at [PARTY ADDRESS]. LIPA and Generator may be jointly referred to in this Agreement as the “Parties,” or individually as a “Party.” T&D Manager is not a party to this Agreement and is executing this Agreement solely on behalf of and as agent for LIPA.

WHEREAS, LIPA owns electric facilities and is engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution, and sale of electric energy in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, T&D Manager is LIPA’s agent, will administer this Agreement and shall be LIPA’s representative in all matters related to this Agreement, including all attached exhibits as applicable; and

WHEREAS, Generator intends to construct, own, operate, and maintain (or cause to be constructed, operated, and maintained) an electric power generation facility (the “Plant”) to be located at [ADDRESS]; and

WHEREAS, Generator desires to interconnect the Plant with LIPA’s System; and

WHEREAS, LIPA desires to interconnect LIPA’s System with the Plant;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises set forth below, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, sufficiency, and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby covenant, promise, and agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1  
CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS**

1.1 Construction. Any references herein to this Agreement, or to any other agreement, shall include any exhibits, attachments, and addenda hereto and amendments thereto, as the same may be amended from time to time.

1.2 Definitions. Any term used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meaning customarily attributed to such term by the electric utility industry in the State of New York. When used with initial capitalization, unless otherwise defined herein, whether singular or plural, the following terms, as used in this Agreement, shall have the meanings as set forth below:

“**Affiliate**” means any other entity directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control of a specified party. For purposes of this definition, “control” means the power to direct the management and policies of such entity or specified party, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. A voting interest of ten percent (10%) or more shall create a rebuttable presumption of control. The Parties acknowledge that the T&D Manager shall not be construed to be an Affiliate of LIPA as such term is defined and used herein.

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**“Agreement”** shall have the meaning identified in the Preamble and shall include all exhibits, schedules, appendices, and other attachments hereto and amendments thereto that may be made from time to time pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

**“Arbitrators”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4 of this Agreement.

**“Authority”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble, including its successors and assigns as permitted hereunder.

**“Business Day”** means any day on which the Federal Reserve Member Banks in New York City are open for business, and shall extend from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. local time for each Party’s principal place of business.

**“Commercial Operation Date”** means the date on which the Plant has successfully completed its Performance Test and all tests required in accordance with NYISO procedures to provide Output in the corresponding NYISO markets in accordance with the applicable rules promulgated by the NYISO, and is available and capable of delivering Output pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

**“Confidential Information”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 15.1 of this Agreement.

**“Cure Plan”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.2(b)(ii) of this Agreement.

**“Date of Initial Interconnection”** means the date on which the Plant is first electrically interconnected to LIPA’s System, which is intended to occur on or before [DATE].

**“Demarcation Point”** means the point of electrical interconnection between Generator’s Interconnection Facilities and LIPA’s Interconnection Facilities, located at [ADDRESS], as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

**“Disclosing Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 15.1 of this Agreement.

**“Energy Storage System”** means a commercially-available mechanical, electrical or electro-chemical means to store and release electrical energy, and its associated electrical inversion device and control functions that may stand-alone or be paired with a distributed generator at a point of common coupling.

**“Environmental Law”** means all former and current federal, state, local, and foreign laws (including common law), treaties, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives or orders (including consent orders) and Environmental Permits, in each case, relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources, including laws relating to Releases or threatened Releases, or otherwise relating to the generation, manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, arrangement for disposal, transport, recycling or handling of Hazardous Substances.

**“Environmental Permits”** means the permits, licenses, consents, approvals and other governmental authorizations, with respect to Environmental Laws relating primarily to the operation of the Plant.

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**“Event of Default”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1 of this Agreement.

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

**“FOIL”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 15.3 of this Agreement.

**“Force Majeure Event”** shall have the meaning set forth in Article 12 of this Agreement.

**“Generator”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble, including its successors and assigns as permitted hereunder. Generator means the distributed generation facilities and Energy Storage System approved by the T&D Manager with a nameplate capacity of less than 10 MW located on the Interconnection Customer’s premises at the time T&D Manager approves such generator for operation in parallel with LIPA’s system. This Agreement relates only to such generator. The nameplate generating and energy storage capacity shall not exceed 10 MW in aggregate.

**“Generator’s Interconnection Facilities”** means all facilities and equipment identified on Exhibit A, that are located between the Plant and the Demarcation Point, including any modification, addition, upgrades or replacement of such facilities and equipment, necessary to Interconnect the Plant with LIPA’s System. Generator’s Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities.

**“Good Utility Practice”** means any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry in the State of New York during the term of this Agreement, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time a decision is made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired results at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety, and expedition. Good Utility Practices is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to delineate acceptable practices, methods or acts generally accepted by a significant portion of the electric utility industry operating in the State of New York.

**“Hazardous Substance”** means (i) any petrochemical or petroleum products, crude oil or any fraction thereof, ash, radioactive materials, radon gas, asbestos in any form, urea formaldehyde foam insulation or polychlorinated biphenyls, (ii) any chemicals, materials, substances or wastes defined as or included in the definition of “hazardous substances,” “hazardous wastes,” “hazardous materials,” “restricted hazardous materials,” “extremely hazardous substances,” “toxic substances,” “contaminants” or “pollutants” or words of similar meaning and regulatory affect contained in any Environmental Law or (iii) any other chemical, material, substance or waste which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any Environmental Law.

**“Indemnified Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1 of this Agreement.

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**“Interconnection”** means the electrical interconnection of the Plant with LIPA’s System.

**“Interconnection Customer”** means the owner of the Generator or any entity that proposes to interconnect with LIPA’s Distribution System.

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**“Interconnection Facilities”** means Generator’s Interconnection Facilities, if any, and LIPA’s Interconnection Facilities. Collectively, Interconnection Facilities include all facilities and equipment between the Plant and the Point of Attachment, including any modifications, additions, upgrades or replacements that are necessary to physically and electrically interconnect the Plant to LIPA’s System. Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include additions, modifications or upgrades to LIPA’s System.

**“Interest Rate”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4 of this Agreement.

**“Lenders”** means any Person, or agent or trustee of such Person, who provides financing for the Plant.

**“LIPA”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble, including its successors and assigns as permitted hereunder.

**“LIPA’s System”** means the electric transmission and distribution system owned by LIPA and consisting of all real and personal property, equipment, machinery, tools and materials, and other similar items relating to the transmission and distribution of electricity to LIPA’s customers.

**“LIPA’s Interconnection Facilities”** means all facilities and equipment identified on Exhibit A, that are located between the Demarcation Point and the Point of Attachment, including any modifications, additions, upgrades or replacements of such facilities and equipment. LIPA’s Interconnection Facilities are sole use facilities and shall not include additions, modifications or upgrades to LIPA’s System.

**“Material Modification”** means a Modification to a Unit that may have adverse impacts on the LIPA’s system, LIPA customers, other projects, or applications in the interconnection queue.

**“Metering Devices”** means all meters, metering equipment, data processing equipment, and associated equipment used to measure, record or transmit data relating to the provision and transmission of Output from LIPA’s System to customers pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

**“Modification”** means a change to the ownership, equipment, equipment ratings, equipment configuration, or operating conditions of the Unit.

**“NYCA”** means the New York Control Area.

**“NYISO”** means the New York Independent System Operator or any successor thereto that administers the wholesale electricity markets in the State of New York substantially as a whole, including without limitation, any regional transmission organization so authorized by the FERC.

**“Other Party Group”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.10. (e) of this Agreement.

**“Output”** means collectively, the capacity, energy, and ancillary services produced by the Plant.

**“Party”** or **“Parties”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble, together with any successor or assign, as permitted hereunder, of either.

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**“Plant”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals, including the balance of plant equipment, fuel handling facilities, step-up transformer(s), output breakers, and necessary generation and transmission lines to connect to the Demarcation Point, and associated protective equipment.

**“Performance Test”** means the performance tests as more fully described in Exhibit J (D) hereto.

**“Point of Attachment”** means the point, as set forth in Exhibit J (A), where the Interconnection Facilities connect to LIPA’s System.

**“Project Site”** means that parcel of land where the Plant is located and described in the attached Appendix A; and located in [ADDRESS].

**“Receiving Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 15.1(a) of this Agreement.

**“Records”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.3 of this Agreement.

**“Release”** means any actual or threatened release, spill, emission, emptying, escape, leaking, dumping, injection, pouring, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, leaching or migration into the environment or within any building, structure, facility or fixture.

**“RTO”** means any regional transmission organization/independent transmission operator or organization, which is approved by the FERC pursuant to FERC Order No. 2000.

**“Statute”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.3 of this Agreement.

**“Summer Season”** means, after the Commercial Operation Date, each of the periods from June 1 through September 30 of any year during the term of this Agreement.

**“System Emergency”** means the existence of a physical or operational condition or the occurrence of an event which, at the time of such occurrence or event that: (i) in the judgment of the Party making the claim, is imminently likely to endanger life or property, or (ii) in the case of LIPA, impairs or will imminently impair the safety and/or reliability of LIPA’s System or LIPA’s Interconnection Facilities, or (iii) in the case of Generator, impairs or will imminently impair the safety and/or reliability of the Plant or Generator’s Interconnection Facilities. System restoration and black start are part of a System Emergency, provided that Generator is not obligated to possess black start capability.

**“System Pre-Emergency”** means the existence of a physical or operational condition or the occurrence of an event which, at the time of such occurrence or event, could reasonably be expected, if permitted to continue, to lead to a System Emergency.

**“T&D Manager”** also referred to herein as **“PSEG Long Island,”** means Long Island Electric Utility Servco LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of PSEG Long Island LLC, which has managerial responsibility for the day-to-day operational maintenance of, and capital investment to, the electric transmission and distribution system owned by LIPA as of January 1, 2014, pursuant to that Amended Restated Operations Services Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2013, as amended and restated by the Second Amended and Restated Operations Services Agreement (“OSA”) dated as of December 15, 2021, that became

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effective on April 1, 2022, or any successor or assignee thereof providing certain operation, maintenance and other services to LIPA. T&D Manager administers this Agreement on LIPA's behalf as its agent.

**ARTICLE 2  
TERM**

This Agreement shall become effective (the "Effective Date") upon execution by both Parties, and shall remain in full force and effect, subject to termination as provided herein, for a period of ten (10) years from the Effective Date or such other longer period as the Generator may request and shall be automatically renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter. Generator shall have the right to cease operation of the Plant and terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days' notice to LIPA. Either Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 9.

**ARTICLE 3  
BILLING AND PAYMENT**

3.1. Billing Procedures. Within twenty (20) Business Days after the first (1st) day of each month, each Party shall prepare an invoice for any outstanding and due costs, fees or other payments owed it by the other Party pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise subject to reimbursement by Generator. Each invoice shall delineate the month in which such costs or services were incurred or provided, shall fully describe the costs or services incurred or rendered, and shall be itemized to reflect the incurrence of such costs and the provision of such services. Each Party shall pay the undisputed invoiced amount, if any, to the other Party on or before the thirtieth (30) day following receipt of the other Party's invoice. Payment of invoices by either Party shall not relieve the paying Party from any responsibilities or obligations it has under this Agreement, nor shall it constitute a waiver of any claims arising hereunder nor shall it prejudice either Party's right to question the correctness of such billing.

3.2 Billing Payment Addresses

- i. T&D Manager:  
PSEG Long Island  
Power Asset Management (PAM)  
175 East Old Country Road  
Hicksville, New York 11801  
Attention: Manager, PSEG Long Island Power Asset Management

With a copy to LIPA:  
Long Island Power Authority  
333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 403  
Uniondale, New York 11553  
Attention: Vice President of Power Markets

- ii. Generator:  
[NAME]  
[ADDRESS]  
Attention:

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Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

or such other and different addresses as may be designated in writing by the Parties.

**3.3 Billing Disputes.**

- (a) Notice. A Party receiving any invoice from the other Party shall examine same to ensure that it has been calculated correctly, and shall promptly notify the billing Party of any errors therein which the receiving Party in good faith believes have been made, along with the facts providing the basis for such belief. The billing Party will promptly review such complaint and reply to the specific claims made by the receiving Party.
- (b) Dispute Resolution. If the Parties are unable to settle the contested portion of any invoice, such dispute shall be settled in accordance with Article 10.
- (c) Obligation to Pay Uncontested Amounts. The existence of a dispute with regard to any payment due shall not relieve the indebted Party of any obligation to timely pay any uncontested amounts due under this Agreement or from fulfilling any other obligation under this Agreement.
- (d) Payment of Disputed Amounts. Upon resolution of a dispute in respect to any disputed amount, a party shall pay interest on any unpaid amount determined to be owed to the other party from the date due under the original invoice until date of payment. Such interest shall be computed at the effective interest rate as established by Section 2880 of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York, and any successor thereto (the "Interest Rate").
- (e) Deadline for Disputing Amounts. Except in instances where it is demonstrated that fraud hindered the discovery of billing errors, any claims for adjustments must be made within two (2) years of when the invoice was issued.

**3.4 Interest.** If either Party fails to make any payment required by this Agreement when due, including contested portions of invoices, or if due to an incorrect invoice issued by a Party, the other Party may request an overpayment requiring a refund by the billing Party, such amount due shall bear interest at the Interest Rate for each day from the due date of the payment or the date on which the overpayment was made until the date of payment. Payments mailed on or before the due date shall not be charged interest for the period of mailing. If the due date of any payment falls on a Sunday or legal holiday, the next Business Day shall be the last day on which payment can be made without interest charges being assessed.

**3.5 Survival.** The provisions of this Article 3 shall survive termination, expiration, cancellation, suspension, or completion of this Agreement to the extent necessary to allow for final billing and payment.

**ARTICLE 4  
REGULATORY APPROVALS**

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4.1 Generator shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining the effectiveness of all necessary governmental permits required for Generator to construct, operate maintain and replace Generator's Interconnection Facilities. LIPA shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining the effectiveness of all necessary governmental permits required for LIPA to construct, operate, maintain, and replace LIPA's Interconnection Facilities.

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**ARTICLE 5  
SALE OF ELECTRICITY**

There shall be no sale of electricity to LIPA under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 6  
INSTALLATION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE  
OF THE INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES**

6.1 LIPA shall interconnect the Plant with LIPA's System at the Point of Attachment, permit the Plant to operate in parallel with LIPA's System, and shall provide all services reasonably necessary to achieve these purposes.

6.2 Generator shall be responsible, for (a) all costs of designing, engineering, procuring, constructing, installing, commissioning, testing, operating, maintaining, and replacing the Generator's Interconnection Facilities and for providing data acquisition and control interfaces to permit the safe and reliable operation of the Interconnection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the NYISO Tariff and Rules, and (b) all costs of designing, engineering, procuring, constructing, installing, commissioning, testing, operating, maintaining, and replacing LIPA's Interconnection Facilities. An estimate of the initial cost of LIPA's Interconnection Facilities is set forth in Exhibit E. Generator shall reimburse LIPA for all costs of designing, engineering, procuring, constructing, installing, commissioning, testing, and replacing LIPA's Interconnection Facilities. Generator shall reimburse LIPA on a monthly basis for maintenance costs of the Interconnection Facilities in accordance with the applicable Service Classification tariff in LIPA's retail electric tariff (presently Service Classification No.11). LIPA, through its T&D Manager, will invoice Generator for the foregoing costs.

6.3 Generator shall design, engineer, procure, construct, install, commission, test, operate, maintain, and replace Generator's Interconnection Facilities in conformance with: (a) the design specifications, construction standards, performance requirements, and operating standards specified in Appendices B, C, and D to this Agreement; (b) the testing procedures for the Generator's Interconnection Facilities, specified in Exhibit D to this Agreement; (c) all applicable laws, rules and regulations of federal, state and local governmental authorities that have jurisdiction over Generator with respect to the Generator's Interconnection Facilities; (d) Good Utility Practice.

6.4 Generator shall design, engineer, procure, construct, install, commission, test, operate, and maintain the Plant in accordance with: (a) the design specifications, construction standards, performance requirements, and operating standards specified in Appendices B, C, and D to this Agreement; (b) the testing procedures for the Plant, specified in Exhibit D to this Agreement; (c) all applicable laws, rules and regulations of federal, state, and local governmental authorities that have jurisdiction over Generator with respect to the Plant; and (d) Good Utility Practice.

6.5 Prior to the Date of Initial Interconnection, the Parties shall jointly develop detailed testing procedures for the Interconnection Facilities, to the extent any such procedures are not adequately specified as part of the applicable NYISO Tariff and Rules or within Exhibit D.

6.6 Prior to the date of Initial Interconnection, the Parties shall also jointly develop a detailed set of coordinated operating instructions. The operating instructions shall be developed in accordance

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with this Agreement and any other binding agreement between the Parties in effect during operation of the Plant.

6.7 If applicable, LIPA shall undertake design of and performance of verification studies for the Plant.

6.8 In order for LIPA to make a timely assessment of Generator's compliance with the requirements of Section 6.4 of this Agreement, prior to the Date of Initial Interconnection, Generator will submit to LIPA for LIPA's review, engineering drawings of the Plant, including detailed one-line functional relaying drawings, three-line alternate current ("AC") schematics, and all AC and direct current control schematics associated with the Plant. Such engineering drawings shall be of sufficient scope and detail to permit LIPA to reasonably assess Generator's compliance with the design requirements of Section 6.4 of this Agreement. Generator will send final engineering drawings to LIPA at least one (1) month prior to the Date of Initial Interconnection. LIPA shall provide written approval of the final engineering drawings promptly after Generator's submission to LIPA and prior to the Date of Initial Interconnection, which written approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Plant shall not be interconnected with LIPA's System until the Generator's Interconnection Facilities and the Plant have been approved by the New York Board of Fire Underwriters (or other similar body having jurisdiction).

6.9 Generator shall have the right to install its own meters at the Plant and shall maintain them according to Good Utility Practice. Prior to the Commercial Operation Date, Generator shall install, to specifications provided by LIPA and at Generator's expense, adequate metering and communications equipment as described in Appendices A and B. Generator shall pay the monthly charges associated with such communication channel(s).

6.10 Except as otherwise provided herein, each Party shall maintain its equipment and facilities and perform its maintenance obligations that could reasonably be expected to affect the operations of the other Party, according to Good Utility Practice. Unless the Parties mutually agree to a different arrangement, neither Party shall be responsible for performing the maintenance of the other Party's equipment, regardless of the location of said equipment.

6.11 Each Party may request, pursuant to Good Utility Practice, that the other Party test, calibrate, verify or validate its telemetering, data acquisition, protective relay equipment, control equipment or systems, or any other equipment or software pursuant to Good Utility Practice or for the purpose of troubleshooting problems on interconnected facilities, consistent with the other Party's obligation to maintain its electric generation equipment and facilities.. In the event that such testing reveals that no problems exist with the equipment or systems in question, the Party requesting such testing shall be responsible for all costs and expenses related to the requested test(s). Each Party shall be responsible for all costs to test, calibrate, verify or validate its own equipment or software at intervals required by NYISO or any successor RTO. Each Party shall supply the Party requesting the test, at no cost to such Party, with copies of the resulting inspection reports, installation and maintenance documents, test and calibration records, verification and validations of the telemetering, data acquisition, protective relay, or other equipment or software.

6.12 From time to time, modifications may be required of the Interconnection Facilities due to, but not limited to, general usage, unforeseen damage, operating requirements of the Plant, or operating requirements of LIPA's System. When such modifications are required, the Parties will jointly determine

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the reason for the modification. Generator shall be responsible for all costs associated with modifications to the Interconnection Facilities that are required to accommodate the interconnection of Generator's Plant. Any modifications to the Interconnection Facilities during the term of this Agreement must conform to the requirements of Exhibit B to this Agreement. If deemed to be a Material Modification, the modification will be studied pursuant to the procedures in the SGIP for new applications.

**ARTICLE 7  
ISOLATION RIGHTS**

7.1 LIPA shall be responsible for installing such equipment or control system as determined by LIPA to allow for the disconnection of the Plant from LIPA's System. LIPA shall at all times during the term of this Agreement have access to the disconnect switch as indicated in Exhibit A to this Agreement, to electrically isolate the Plant from LIPA's System pursuant to Section 7.4.

7.2 LIPA shall design, operate, and maintain LIPA's Interconnection Facilities so such equipment or control system automatically disconnects the Plant from LIPA's System in the event of: (a) the occurrence of a fault on that portion of LIPA's System serving the Plant, in accordance with the requirements specified in this Agreement; (b) de-energization of the portion of LIPA's System that interconnects with the Plant; (c) an equipment failure or other condition occurring in the Interconnection Facilities or the Plant which creates or contributes to a System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency.

7.3 LIPA shall design, operate and maintain LIPA's Interconnection Facilities to fail in an open position, so that the Plant and LIPA's System will disconnect if there is any failure of a disconnect device on the Interconnection Facilities.

7.4 LIPA shall give advance notice to Generator of the need for disconnection of the Plant from LIPA's System, and coordinate with Generator on any such disconnection of the Plant, provided however, that LIPA may, in accordance with Good Utility Practice, disconnect the Plant without prior notice to Generator and maintain such disconnection if:

- (a) failing to disconnect the Plant from LIPA's System would create or contribute to a System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency;
- (b) immediate maintenance operations are required on LIPA's System to prevent a System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency; or
- (c) isolation is required to facilitate restoration of system outages or for safety considerations.

7.5 Whenever LIPA disconnects the Plant without prior notice to Generator, LIPA shall provide immediate oral notice, to be followed by written notice to Generator within one (1) day of such disconnection, which oral and written notice shall provide the reason, and, if possible, the expected duration of such disconnection.

7.6 LIPA may also request Generator to disconnect the Plant to perform non- immediate maintenance operations on LIPA's System that (a) are consistent with Good Utility Practice, including disconnecting the Plant in order to interconnect another generator to LIPA's System, and (b) require the Plant to be disconnected in order for LIPA to perform such maintenance on LIPA's System, provided that

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a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours of advance notice and an estimate of the duration of such disconnection are provided to Generator by LIPA. To the extent possible, LIPA will schedule all such maintenance operations of LIPA's System and LIPA's Interconnection Facilities at times that are mutually convenient for LIPA and Generator and in accordance with Good Utility Practice and taking into consideration Generator's schedule of planned outages.

7.7 Following any LIPA disconnection of the Plant, reconnection shall occur when:

- (a) all existing System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency conditions have been corrected; or
- (b) in the case of maintenance required on LIPA's System, such maintenance has been completed; and
- (c) it is safe to do so in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.8 Generator shall give advance notice to LIPA of the need for disconnection of the Plant from LIPA's System (other than regularly planned disconnections as required under LIPA Tariff SC-13), and coordinate with LIPA on any such disconnection of the Plant, provided however, that Generator may disconnect the Plant without prior notice to LIPA and maintain such disconnection if:

- (a) failing to disconnect the Plant from LIPA's System would create or contribute to a System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency;
- (b) immediate maintenance operations are required to prevent a System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency; or
- (c) isolation is required for safety considerations.

7.9 Whenever Generator disconnects the Plant without prior notice to LIPA, Generator shall inform LIPA as quickly as possible of the time, reason, and, if possible, the expected duration of such disconnection.

7.10 Following any Generator disconnection of the Plant, reconnection shall occur when:

- (a) all existing System Emergency or System Pre-Emergency conditions have been corrected; or
- (b) in the case of maintenance, such maintenance has been completed; and
- (c) it is safe to do so in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

**ARTICLE 8  
INSPECTION AND ACCESS RIGHTS**

8.1 Generator shall provide LIPA with access to the Interconnection Facilities located on the Project Site at reasonable times, including weekends, and upon reasonable prior notice. The notice condition does not apply in the case of a System Emergency, and LIPA shall at all times during the term

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of this Agreement have access to the disconnect switch, as indicated in Exhibit A to this Agreement, to electrically isolate the Plant from LIPA's System pursuant to Article 7.

8.2. While at the Project Site, all representatives of LIPA shall observe such safety precautions as may be required by law or by Generator, and shall conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with Good Utility Practice and that will not interfere with the operation of the Plant or the Generator's Interconnection Facilities.

8.3 Neither Party shall construct any facilities or structures or engage in any activities that will interfere with the rights granted to the other Party under this Agreement or rights-of-way, licenses, or easements secured by and/or for the other Party.

8.4 The access rights granted hereunder shall be effective for the term of this Agreement and shall neither be revoked, nor shall either Party take any action that would impede, restrict, diminish, or terminate the rights of access or use granted by such access rights.

8.5 Each Party shall have the right to inspect or observe, at its own expense, the maintenance activities, equipment tests, installation, construction, or other modifications to the other Party's Interconnection Facilities and associated telecommunication facilities, as the case may be, which may reasonably be expected to adversely affect the observing Party's operations or liability. The Party desiring to inspect or observe shall notify the other Party in accordance with the notification procedures set forth in Article 13 of this Agreement. If the Party inspecting the equipment, systems, or facilities observes any deficiency or defects that may be reasonably be expected to adversely affect the operations of the observing Party's system or facilities, the observing Party shall notify the other Party, and the other Party shall make any corrections necessitated by Good Utility Practice

8.6 Subject to the provisions of Section 11.1, each Party shall be solely responsible for and shall assume all liability for the safety and supervision of its own employees, agents, representatives, and subcontractors. All work performed by either Party that reasonably could be expected to affect the operations of the other Party shall be performed in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to the safety of persons or property, including, without limitation, compliance with the safety regulations and standards adopted under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended from time to time, the National Electrical Safety Code, as amended from time to time, and Good Utility Practice.

**ARTICLE 9  
EVENTS OF DEFAULT; TERMINATION**

9.1 Event of Default. The occurrence of one or more of the following events so long as the same is continuing shall constitute an "Event of Default" under this Agreement:

- (a) Failure by either Party to substantially perform any material obligation under this Agreement, and which failure continues for a period of forty-five (45) days after notice thereof has been received by such Party from the non-defaulting Party; or

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- (b) Failure by either Party to pay any undisputed amount due under this Agreement which continues for a period of thirty (30) days after notice of such non-payment is delivered to the defaulting Party; or
- (c) The dissolution or liquidation of a Party or the issuance of any order, judgment or decree by a court of competent jurisdiction under the bankruptcy, reorganization, compromise, arrangement, insolvency, readjustment of debt, dissolution or liquidation or similar law of any jurisdiction whether now or hereafter in effect adjudicating a Party bankrupt or insolvent or otherwise granting relief under any such law; or
- (d) A Party petitions or applies to any tribunal for, or consents to the appointment of or taking possession by, a receiver, liquidator, custodian, trustee or similar official of such Party or of a substantial part of the assets of such Party; or any such petition or application is filed or any such proceedings are commenced against a Party and such Party by any act indicates its approval thereof, consent thereto or acquiescence therein or such petition or application remains undismissed for sixty (60) days; or
- (e) A Party makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors or makes an admission in writing that it is unable to pay its debts generally as they become due; or
- (f) The revocation or loss of any license, permit, or other governmental approval (i) materially affecting Generator's ability to operate the Plant or Generator's Interconnection Facilities, or (ii) materially affecting LIPA's ability to operate LIPA's Interconnection Facilities, provided that but for Generator's or LIPA's negligence, as the case may be, no such revocation or loss of such license, permit or other governmental approval would have ensued.

9.2 Notice and Opportunity to Cure Event of Default. Upon actual discovery of an Event of Default, a Party claiming the occurrence of such Event of Default must promptly provide the alleged defaulting Party with a Notice of Default and the defaulting Party shall have, in the case of failure to pay any undisputed amount, thirty (30) days and, in other defaults, forty-five (45) days to complete one of the following:

- (a) cure the Event of Default; or
- (b) if such default reasonably requires additional time to cure then such defaulting Party will, from the date such Party receives the Notice of Default, have (i) such longer time as is reasonable under the circumstances, not to exceed the greater of one hundred and eighty (180) days or to the mid-point of the next Summer Season to complete such cure or (ii) if the defaulting Party provides a commercially reasonable cure plan acceptable to the other Party that requires more time than provided in Section 9.2 above ("Cure Plan"), then the defaulting Party shall be extended such additional time provided for in the Cure Plan to cure the Event of Default and the other Party shall have no right to terminate this Agreement, provided that the defaulting Party diligently pursues such Cure Plan; or
- (c) undertake dispute resolution pursuant to Article 10.

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9.3 Dispute of Claim of Event of Default. If, within thirty (30) days of the service of a Notice of Default pursuant to Section 9.2, the Party alleged to be in default disputes in writing that an Event of Default has occurred, either Party may seek resolution of such dispute pursuant to the terms of Article 10, and this Agreement shall not be terminated by the Party claiming the occurrence of the Event of Default prior to such resolution of such dispute pursuant to the procedures of Article 10.

9.4 Remedies. This Agreement may be terminated by the non-defaulting Party effective immediately upon the non-defaulting Party providing written notice to the defaulting Party of termination if: (a) the defaulting Party or its Lenders fail to cure the Event of Default within the cure periods provided under Section 9.2 and any action for dispute resolution under Article 10 with respect to the alleged Event of Default has been completed and not determined favorably to the allegedly defaulting party; or (b) through the dispute resolution process under Article 10, it is determined that an Event of Default has occurred and the defaulting Party, pursuant to terms of this Agreement has not cured or diligently endeavored to cure, the default, as the case may be. Upon termination, the non-defaulting Party shall be entitled to such damages as are available at law and equity, subject to Article 11 hereof. The termination of this Agreement under this Section 9.4 shall not discharge either Party from any obligations, which may have accrued under this Agreement prior to such termination.

**ARTICLE 10**  
**DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

10.1 Any dispute arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, with the exception of termination pursuant to Section 9.4 or a breach of a Party's indemnity obligations under Article 11 or a Party's obligations under Article 15 of this Agreement, shall be subject to the dispute resolution procedures specified in this Article 10 which shall constitute the sole and exclusive procedures for the resolution of such disputes.

10.2 The Parties agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to settle promptly any disputes or claims arising out of or relating to this Agreement through negotiation conducted in good faith between executives of the Parties having authority to reach such a settlement. Either Party may by written notice to the other Party, refer any such dispute or claim for advice or resolution to mediation by a suitable mediator. The mediator shall be chosen by the mutual agreement of the Parties. If the Parties are unable to agree on a mediator, each Party shall designate a qualified mediator who, together with the mediator designated by the other, shall choose a single mediator for the particular dispute or claim. If the mediator chosen is unable, within thirty (30) days of such referral to reach a determination that is acceptable to the Parties, the matter shall be referred to arbitration as set forth below. All negotiation and mediation discussions pursuant to this Section 10.2 shall be confidential, subject to applicable law, and shall be treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for purposes of Federal Rule of Evidence 408 and applicable state rules of evidence.

10.3 Except for claims for temporary injunctive relief under Section 10.5, neither Party shall bring any action at law or in equity to enforce, interpret, or remedy any breach or default of this Agreement without first complying with the provisions of this Article 10; provided however, that if the Arbitrators (as defined below) fail to issue a decision within one hundred eighty (180) days after the commencement of arbitration under Section 10.4, then either Party may bring any action at law or in equity to seek enforcement, interpretation or remedy of any breach of this Agreement.

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10.4 Any dispute subject to resolution under this Article 10, which has not been resolved by discussion or mediation within thirty (30) days from the date that either negotiations or mediation shall have commenced and which is not subject to the FERC's jurisdiction shall be settled by arbitration before three (3) independent and impartial arbitrators (the "Arbitrators") in accordance with the then current commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association, except to the extent that such rules are inconsistent with any provision of this Agreement, in which case the provisions of this Agreement shall be followed, and except that the arbitration under this Agreement shall not be administered by the American Arbitration Association without the express agreement of the Parties. The Arbitrators shall be (i) independent of the Parties and disinterested in the outcome of the dispute, (ii) persons otherwise experts in the electric utility industry, including bulk power markets and transmission systems, and (iii) qualified in the subject area of the issue in dispute. The Parties shall choose the Arbitrators within thirty (30) days, with each Party choosing one Arbitrator and those two Arbitrators choosing the third Arbitrator. Judgment on the award rendered by the Arbitrators may be entered in any court in the State of New York having jurisdiction thereof. If either Party refuses to participate in good faith in the negotiations or mediation proceedings described in Section 10.2, the other Party may initiate arbitration at any time after such refusal without waiting for the expiration of the applicable time period. Except as provided in Section 10.5 relating to provisional remedies, the Arbitrators shall decide all aspects of any dispute brought to them including attorney disqualification and the timeliness of the making of any claim.

10.5 Either Party may, without prejudice to any negotiation, mediation or arbitration procedures, proceed in the courts of the State of New York to obtain provisional judicial relief if, in such Party's sole discretion, such action is necessary to protect public safety, avoid imminent irreparable harm, provide uninterrupted electrical and other services, or preserve the status quo pending the conclusion of any dispute resolution procedures employed by the Parties or pendency of any action at law or in equity. Except for temporary injunctive relief under this Section, neither Party shall bring any action at law or in equity to enforce, interpret, or remedy any breach or default of this Agreement without first complying with the provisions of this Article; provided, however, that if the Arbitrators fail to issue a decision within one hundred eighty (180) days after the commencement of arbitration under Section 10.3, then either Party may bring any action at law or in equity to seek enforcement, interpretation or remedy of any breach of this Agreement.

10.6 The Arbitrators shall have no authority to award damages excluded under Article 11 or any other damages aside from the prevailing Party's actual, direct damages plus interest at the Interest Rate for each day commencing on the date such damages were incurred through date of payment. The Arbitrators shall not have the authority to make any ruling, finding, or award that does not conform to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Arbitrators' award shall be in writing and shall set forth the factual and legal bases for the award. The Parties to the arbitration shall each bear their own litigation expenses for the arbitration and shall evenly divide the common costs of the arbitration.

10.7 Unless otherwise agreed to in writing or prohibited by applicable law, the Parties shall continue to provide service, honor all commitments under this Agreement, and continue to make payments in accordance with this Agreement during the course of any dispute resolution under this Article and during the pendency of any action at law or in equity or any arbitration proceeding relating hereto.

10.8 All applicable statutes of limitation and defenses based upon the passage of time and similar contractual limitations shall be tolled while the procedures specified in this Article 10 are pending.

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The Parties will take such action, if any, required to effectuate such tolling. Without prejudice to the procedures specified in this Article 10, a Party may file a complaint for statute of limitations purposes, if in its sole judgment such action may be necessary to preserve its claims or defenses. Despite such action, the Parties will continue to participate in good faith in the procedures specified in this Article 10.

10.9 The Arbitrators shall have the discretion to order a pre-hearing exchange of information by the Parties, including, without limitation, the production of requested documents, the exchange of summaries of testimony of proposed witnesses, and the examination of the Parties by deposition. The Parties hereby agree to produce all such information as ordered by the Arbitrators and shall certify that they have provided all applicable information and that such information was true, accurate and complete

10.10 The site of any arbitration brought pursuant to this Agreement shall be in a location in Nassau County, New York County or Suffolk County as is mutually agreed to by the Parties.

**ARTICLE 11  
INDEMNITY, LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; INSURANCE**

11.1 Indemnity. Each Party (the “Indemnifying Party”) shall at all times indemnify, defend, and hold the other Party and T&D Manager (the “Indemnified Party”) harmless from, any and all damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person or damage to property, the alleged violation of any Environmental Law, or the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Substance, demands, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses, court costs, attorneys’ fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties, arising out of or resulting from (a) the Indemnifying Party’s performance of its obligations, or its actions or inactions, under this Agreement, except as expressly provided otherwise herein, (b) the Indemnified Party’s actions or inactions in performing obligations on behalf of the Indemnifying Party in accordance with this Agreement, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Indemnified Party or (c) the violation by the Indemnifying Party of any Environmental Law or the release by the Indemnifying Party of any Hazardous Substance.

11.2 Indemnified Party. If an Indemnified Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article 11 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under this Article 11, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Person may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

11.3 Indemnifying Party. If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Party harmless under this Article 11, the amount owing to the Indemnified Party shall be the amount of such Indemnified Party’s actual loss, net of any insurance or other recovery, except that any insurance carrier shall be subrogated to the Indemnified Party’s interest to the extent of any insurance recovery paid to the Indemnified Party.

11.4 Indemnity Procedures. Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of any claim or notice of the commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which the indemnity provided for in this Article 11 may apply, the Indemnified Party shall notify the Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a Party’s indemnification obligation unless and to the extent that such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the Indemnifying Party.

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11.5 Except as stated below, the Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Parties and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Party reasonably concludes that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Parties which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Party shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified Party or Indemnified Parties having such differing or additional legal defenses.

11.6 The Indemnified Party shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action, suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion of the Indemnified Party and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Party, or there exists a conflict or adversity of interest between the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, in which event the Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Party, and (ii) shall not settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the consent of the Indemnified Party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

11.7 LIPA Equipment Design and Review. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, neither LIPA or T&D Manager, or their officers, trustees, employees, and agents nor those of their parents shall be liable to Generator, or its contractors or subcontractors, for any claims, costs, expenses, losses, lawsuits, judgments, attorney's fees or damages arising out of LIPA's or T&D Manager's equipment design and review, except for instances arising out of LIPA's failure to act in accordance with Good Utility Practice, gross negligence or willful misconduct. Generator shall indemnify and hold LIPA and T&D Manager, and their officers, trustees, employees, and agents, harmless from any claims, costs, expenses, losses, damages or judgments made against LIPA and/or T&D Manager or incurred by any of Generator's contractors or subcontractors except for instances arising out of LIPA's failure to act in accordance with Good Utility Practice, gross negligence or willful misconduct. This indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be separate from and independent of any other obligations of Generator to indemnify and hold harmless LIPA and its officers, directors, employees, and agents.

11.8 Consequential Damages. Except for indemnity and defense of action obligations set forth in this Article 11, in no event shall either Party or T&D Manager be liable under any provision of this Agreement for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages (including attorney's fees or litigation costs), including but not limited to loss of profit, revenue or opportunity, loss of the use of equipment or facilities, cost of capital, cost of temporary or substitute equipment, facilities, services or replacement power, down time costs; and claims of customers of either Party, connected with, or resulting from, performance or non-performance of this Agreement or any action undertaken in connection with, or related to this Agreement, including, without limitation, any such damages which are based upon causes of action for breach of contract, tort (including negligence and misrepresentation), breach of warranty or strict liability.

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11.9 Survival. Each Party's indemnification and defense of action obligations under this Article for acts or occurrences prior to the expiration, termination, completion, suspension or cancellation of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect regardless of whether this Agreement expires, terminates, or is suspended, completed or canceled. Except as noted above, such obligations shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on insurance, by the amount or types of damages, or by any compensation or benefits payable by the Parties under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts or other employee acts, or otherwise.

11.10 Insurance. Prior to the commencement of this Agreement, Certificates of Insurance from Generator and LIPA and / or all of Generator's and LIPA's contractors / subcontractors that perform activities on the Project Site relative to this Agreement, shall be furnished to Generator and LIPA, as the case may be. Each Party shall, at its own expense, maintain in force throughout the term of this Agreement, and until released by the other Party, the following minimum insurance coverage, with insurers authorized to do business in the State of New York. The generator must have added T&D Manager, LIPA, and the Authority as additional insureds under the following coverages:

- (a) Employers' Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of the state in which the Point of Attachment is located.
- (b) Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, personal injury, broad form property damage, broad form blanket contractual liability coverage (including coverage for the contractual indemnification) products and completed operations coverage, coverage for explosion, collapse and underground hazards, independent contractors coverage, coverage for pollution to the extent normally available and punitive damages to the extent normally available and a cross liability endorsement, with minimum limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence/one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.
- (c) Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles, trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death, and property damage.
- (d) Excess Public Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) per occurrence/twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) aggregate.
- (e) The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Insurance, and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall name the other Party, its parent, associated and Affiliate companies and their respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees ("Other Party Group") as additional insured. For LIPA, Other Party Group shall include the Authority and T&D Manager and its affiliates. All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) days advance written notice to the Other Party

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Group prior to anniversary date of cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition. Insurance as specified herein must be maintained at all times during the life of this Agreement. Each Party shall provide the other Party with renewal certificates if said insurance policies are to expire prior to the expiration or termination of this Agreement. Said certificates must be provided within ten (10) days after the renewal date. Insurance as specified herein must be maintained at all times throughout the term of this Agreement.

- (f) The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one (1) insured been covered. Each Party shall be responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.
- (g) The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance, and Excess Public Liability Insurance policies shall be on an occurrence basis.
- (h) The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to be maintained by the Parties are not intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Parties under this Agreement.
- (i) Within ten (10) days following execution of this Agreement, and as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within ninety (90) days thereafter, each Party shall provide certification of all insurance required in this Agreement, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer.
- (j) Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party may self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of this Article 11 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that, such Party's senior secured debt is rated at investment grade or better by Standard & Poor's and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of this Article 11. For any period of time that a Party's senior secured debt is unrated by Standard & Poor's or is rated at less than investment grade by Standard & Poor's, such Party shall comply with the insurance requirements applicable to it under this Article 11. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this Article, it shall notify the other Party that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in this Article 11.
- (k) The Parties agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this Agreement.

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**ARTICLE 12  
FORCE MAJEURE**

12.1 The term “Force Majeure Event” as used herein means those acts, omissions or circumstances which are outside of the affected Party’s control and which could not be reasonably anticipated or avoided in accordance with Good Utility Practice, including without limitation any act of God, strikes or other labor disputes, acts of the public enemy, accidents, war (declared or otherwise), invasion, civil disturbance, riots, fires, storms, flood, ice, earthquakes, explosions, or action or inaction of a Governmental Authority (other than LIPA) that precludes the construction, interconnection or operation of the Plant. A Force Majeure Event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force Majeure.

12.2 If a Force Majeure Event causes either Party to be rendered wholly or partly unable to perform its obligations under this Agreement, except for the obligation to make payments under this Agreement when due, that Party shall be excused from performance or liability for damages to the other Party solely to the extent and during such period such Party’s performance is affected.

12.3 Any Party claiming Force Majeure shall: (i) provide prompt oral notice followed by written notice to the other Party within three (3) Business Days of such Force Majeure Event giving a detailed written explanation of the event and estimate of its expected duration and probable effect on the performance of that Party’s obligations hereunder, and (ii) use due diligence in accordance with Good Utility Practice to continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement to the extent unaffected by the Force Majeure Event and to remove promptly the condition that prevents performance and to mitigate the effects of the same, except that settlement of any strike or labor dispute shall be in the sole judgment of the affected Party.

12.4 No obligations of either Party which arose before the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event causing the suspension of performance are excused as a result of the occurrence.

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**ARTICLE 13  
NOTICES**

All notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently given when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, hand-delivered, sent by facsimile transmission (confirmed in writing) or sent by recognized overnight courier service, addressed as follows:

To LIPA:

PSEG Long Island  
333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 403  
Uniondale, New York 11553  
Attention: Vice President of T&D Operations

With a copy to:

Long Island Power Authority  
333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 403  
Uniondale, New York 11553  
Attention: General Counsel  
Fax: (516) 222-9137

To T&D Manager:

PSEG Long Island  
Power Asset Management (PAM)  
175 East Old Country Road  
Hicksville, New York 11801  
Attention: Manager, Power Asset Management

To Generator:

[NAME]  
[ADDRESS]  
Attention: [NAME AND TITLE]  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

or such other and different addresses as may be designated in writing by the Parties.

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**ARTICLE 14  
ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER**

Neither this Agreement nor any rights or obligations hereunder may be assigned or transferred, by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed; provided that this Agreement may be assigned to an Affiliate with the understanding that no such assignment shall relieve the assigning Party from its obligations hereunder; and further provided that the restrictions on assignment contained in this Article shall not in any way prevent either Party from pledging, mortgaging or assigning its rights hereunder as security for its indebtedness.) Except as otherwise provided in this Article, a Party shall only consent to an assignment by the assigning Party if, in the non-assigning Party's reasonable judgment, the assignee is fully capable of performing all of the assigning Party's obligations under this Agreement and possesses the technical capability, experience, and financial capability to perform in the manner required. At least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the proposed assignment, the assigning Party shall deliver to the non-assigning Party an assignment and assumption agreement, duly executed, in which the assignee unconditionally assumes all of its assignor's obligations to the non-assigning Party and agrees to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and whereby the assignee makes certain additional representations and warranties as appropriate for assignee as contained in this Section. Any purported assignment of this Agreement not in accordance with this Article shall be of no force and effect. Provided however, that a proposed assignment, notice of which is provided less than thirty (30) days prior to its proposed effective date shall be effective thirty (30) days following such notice.

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**ARTICLE 15  
CONFIDENTIALITY**

15.1 Claim of Confidentiality.

- (a) In connection with this Agreement, the Parties and T&D Manager may exchange information that is deemed to be confidential whether such information is provided in written, oral, electronic or other format (“Confidential Information”). The Party disclosing such Confidential Information is referred to herein as the “Disclosing Party” and the Party receiving such Confidential Information is referred to herein as the “Receiving Party.” The Disclosing Party shall mark all written Confidential Information as “Confidential,” “Proprietary” or the like and in the case of Confidential Information that is communicated orally, the Disclosing Party shall within thirty (30) days’ follow up such communication with a writing addressed to the Receiving Party generally describing the information and identifying it as Confidential Information. The Parties acknowledge that all information disclosed by Generator in connection with costs, pricing or operation of the Plant shall be treated as Confidential Information whether or not such information is marked or identified as Confidential Information. LIPA shall not disclose such Confidential Information without Generator’s written consent, which may be withheld in Generator’s sole discretion, unless LIPA is otherwise required by law to make such disclosure.
- (b) The Receiving Party shall protect the Confidential Information from disclosure to third parties consistent with the provisions of this Article 15 and subject to applicable law, provided however, a Receiving Party may disclose Confidential Information to its Affiliates, Lenders, employees, agents or representatives of such Receiving Party, where such Affiliate, Lender, employee, agent or representative expressly agrees to be bound by the terms of this Article 15 and provided further that the Receiving Party shall be liable for any breach by its Affiliates, Lenders, employees, agents or representatives.
- (c) It is further understood and agreed that money damages would not be sufficient remedy for any breach of this Article 15, and that if a Party breaches this Article 15, the Party disclosing Confidential Information to such breaching Party shall be entitled to specific performance and injunctive and other equitable relief as a remedy for any such breach. The breaching Party agrees to waive any requirement for the posting of a bond in connection with any such remedy. Such remedy shall not be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for breach of this Article 15 but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or equity. In the event of any legal action based upon or arising out of this Article 15, the prevailing Party in such action shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney’s fees and costs from the other Party.

15.2 Compliance with Law. If either Party is required by law to disclose Confidential Information of the other Party (by oral questions, interrogatories, requests for information or documents, subpoena, civil investigative demands, regulation, statute or otherwise), the Party required to make such disclosure will (i) notify the other Party and provide the other Party the opportunity to review the Confidential Information, and (ii) provide the other Party the opportunity to seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy. In the event that a protective order or other remedy is not obtained or is not

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pursued within a reasonable period of time, the Party required to make disclosure or such Party's representatives will furnish only that portion of the Confidential Information that it is legally required to disclose and the Party required to make disclosure will request that confidential treatment be accorded the Confidential Information by relevant third parties.

15.3 Compliance with the Freedom of Information Law. If LIPA is requested by a third party to disclose Confidential Information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"), LIPA will (i) notify Generator of the request and provide Generator the opportunity to review the Confidential Information; (ii) provide Generator the opportunity to provide information regarding the need for confidential treatment; (iii) evaluate the third party's request for disclosure and Generator's request for confidential treatment; and (iv) determine if the Confidential Information is subject to disclosure under FOIL. If LIPA determines that the Confidential Information is subject to disclosure, it will provide prompt written notice of such determination to Generator so that Generator may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy. If Generator does not obtain a protective order or no formal proceeding has been initiated by Generator within a reasonable period of time after LIPA provides notice to Generator of its intent to make public the Confidential Information, then LIPA may disclose such information with no liability or further obligation to Generator.

15.4 Treatment of Otherwise Publicly Available Documents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article, neither Party shall be required to hold confidential any information that (i) becomes publicly available other than through disclosure by the Receiving Party; (ii) is independently developed by the Receiving Party; or (iii) becomes available to the Receiving Party without restriction from a third party, provided that such third party is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with the Disclosing Party or its representatives. Should any person or entity seek to legally compel a Receiving Party (by oral questions, interrogatories, requests for information or documents, subpoena, civil investigative demands, regulation, statute or otherwise) to disclose any Confidential Information, the Receiving Party will provide the Disclosing Party prompt written notice so that the Disclosing Party may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy. In the event that a protective order or other remedy is not obtained, the Receiving Party or the Receiving Party's representative will furnish only that portion of the Confidential Information that it is legally required to disclose and the Receiving Party will request that confidential treatment be accorded the Confidential Information by relevant third parties.

15.5 Term of Confidentiality. The obligations set forth in this Article shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement for a period of two years after expiration or termination of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 16**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

16.1 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Parties and their respective successors and assigns.

16.2 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

16.3 Records. Each Party shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts, and other evidence directly pertinent to performance under this Agreement

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(hereinafter, collectively, the “Records”). The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The New York State Comptroller, the New York State Attorney General, and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the New York State agency or agencies involved in this Agreement, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at Generator’s or LIPA’s offices, as the case may be, within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the state, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing, and copying. LIPA shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records that are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the “Statute”), provided that: (i) Generator shall timely inform LIPA, in writing, that said Records should not be disclosed; (ii) said Records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said Records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, Generator’s or LIPA’s right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

16.4 Amendments. This Agreement may not be amended, changed, modified or altered except in writing and signed by the Parties.

16.5 Severability. If any article, phrase, provision, or portion of this Agreement is, for any reason, held or adjudged to be invalid or illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such article, phrase, provision or portion so adjudged shall be deemed separate, distinct, and independent, and only deemed invalid in that particular instance, and the remainder of this Agreement shall be and remain in full force and effect and shall not be invalidated, rendered illegal, unenforceable, or otherwise affected by such adjudication.

16.6 Prior Agreements Superseded. This Agreement shall completely and fully supersede all other prior understandings or agreements, both written and oral, between the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof.

16.7 Survival. Provisions of this Agreement which by their nature would survive termination or expiration of the Agreement shall survive. Without limitation of the preceding sentence, applicable provisions of this Agreement shall continue in effect after expiration or termination of this Agreement as specifically provided herein and to the extent necessary to provide for final billings, billing adjustments, and payments pertaining to liability and indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect.

16.8 Dispute Resolution. Any disputes arising under this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures established in Article 10 of this Agreement.

16.9 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York notwithstanding its conflict of laws provisions.

16.10 Waiver. No delay or omission in the exercise of any right under this Agreement shall impair any such right or shall be taken, construed or considered as a waiver or relinquishment thereof, but any such right may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. If any agreement or covenant herein shall be breached and thereafter waived, such waiver shall be limited to the particular breach so waived and shall not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

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16.11 Taxes. The Parties shall use reasonable efforts to administer this Agreement and implement the provisions thereof in accordance with their intent to minimize taxes.

16.12 Non-interference. Each Party agrees that it will not construct any facilities or structures at the Project Site or engage in any activity at the Project Site that will materially interfere with the rights granted to the other Party under this Agreement.

16.13 Further Assurances. Each of the Parties hereto shall execute and deliver any and all additional documents or instruments (including easements and other rights in land), in recordable form, and provide other assurances, obtain any additional permits, licenses, and approvals required, and shall do any and all acts and things reasonably necessary, to carry out the intent of the Parties hereto and to confirm the continued effectiveness of this Agreement.

16.14 Headings. The headings used for the articles herein are for convenience and reference purposes only and shall in no way affect the meaning or interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement.

16.15 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes and replaces any prior or contemporaneous undertakings, commitments, or agreements, oral or written, as to its subject matter. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by an instrument in writing signed by authorized representatives of the Parties on or after the date hereof.

*[Signature pages to follow on next page]*



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SYSTEM ONE-LINE / POINT OF ATTACHMENT  
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**EXHIBIT B  
INTERCONNECTION AND METERING REQUIREMENTS**

**Interconnection Procedures and Requirements**

The Interconnection Facilities shall be subject to the interconnection standards provided in the “Small Generator Interconnection Procedures For Distributed Generators and Energy Storage Systems Less than 10 MW Connected in Parallel with LIPA’s Radial Distribution Systems” , “PSEG Long Island’s Small Generator Interconnection Technical Requirements and Screening Criteria for Operating in Parallel with LIPA’s Distribution System” and “Specification & Requirements for Electric Installation (Red Book).”

**Metering Requirements**

Metering pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be subject to the PSEG Long Island’s Small Generator Interconnection Technical Requirements and Screening Criteria for Operating in Parallel with LIPA’s Distribution System”, “Specification & Requirements for Electric Installation (Red Book)” and “Revenue Metering Requirements for Generating Facilities interconnection to the LIPA Transmission System.”

Add other procedures and requirements as applicable.

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**EXHIBIT C  
FACILITY DESIGN AND VERIFICATION STUDIES**

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**EXHIBIT D  
COMMISSIONING, STARTUP, AND MAINTENANCE  
PROCEDURES FOR INTERCONNECTION FACILITIES**

**Introduction**

Testing of all protective devices shall be performed on the Generator's Interconnection Facilities prior to the final functional testing of the interconnection scheme. The testing shall be performed by Generator. Relay and operational tests shall be performed with maintenance intervals consistent with the latest version of NERC PRC-005 or any applicable reliability requirements. A certified relay test report shall be furnished to LIPA/T&D Manager within two weeks after completion of all testing. Generator shall notify LIPA/T&D Manager at least seven (7) business days in advance of the protective device testing to provide an opportunity for LIPA/T&D Manager to be present during the testing.

Submitted documentation of the operational relay testing shall include graphic or digital recordings of actual current and voltage levels obtained during the test(s). Each relay test shall include a calibration check and an actual trip of the circuit breaker from the relay being tested.

A log of all relay target indications resulting from automatic circuit breaker operations shall be maintained. The relay target information is utilized to verify cause of the failure and to determine if relays operated as expected to isolate the Generator's Interconnection Facilities from LIPA's transmission system. This data shall be reviewed periodically, and upon request, shall be made available for Generator's inspection.

**Operational Testing**

Detailed and coordinated operational test procedures shall be developed jointly by LIPA/T&D Manager and Generator. These test procedures must include relay settings, continuity of relay circuits, breaker trip and close coils (AC and DC circuits), insulation impedances of protective circuits and current and voltage transformers.

To the maximum degree practicable, the components used in protection systems shall be of proven quality, as demonstrated either by actual experience or by stringent tests under simulated operating conditions, to ensure that the reliability of the protection system shall not be degraded or reduced.

The test procedures must demonstrate that:

- (a) All relays operate from all possible sources of trip signals or voltage.
- (b) All relays trip the desired breaker(s).
- (c) The Generator's Interconnection Facilities will be isolated from the LIPA system for complete loss of the Facility.
- (d) The ratio and polarity of relay and instrument transformers are correct.
- (e) The phase angle characteristics of directional and other relays are correct.
- (f) Relays have been tested at pick-up and three multiples of minimum pick-ups (e.g., three, five, and eight times).

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All relays must be field verified and bench tested to meet the following tolerance criteria:

<b>Test Parameter</b>	<b>Tolerance of Specified Settings</b>
Current	+/- 5%
Voltage	+/- 5%
Time	+/- 5%
Frequency	+0.05 hertz
Phase Angle	+/- 3 degrees

The actual operational tests shall be performed after all equipment is installed and repeated every two years thereafter. Certified test results shall be submitted to LIPA/T&D Manager. Periodic inspections of AC and DC control power for all circuit breaker, reference single-line diagrams, relay protection diagrams, and coordination test data must accompany test reports.

LIPA/T&D Manager shall be notified by Generator at least seven (7) business days prior to the operational tests.

**Maintenance**

All equipment associated with the Generator’s Interconnection Facilities shall be maintained by the Generator in accordance with the latest maintenance intervals in NERC PRC-005 or any applicable reliability requirements.

Add other procedures and requirements as applicable.

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**EXHIBIT E  
INTERCONNECTION COST ESTIMATE**

**The current interconnection estimate is [INSERT DOLLAR AMOUNT]**

The illustration above represents an estimate of reimbursable cost. Upon execution of this Agreement, generator will provide the T&D Manager with an advance payment of 30% of the T&D Manager's estimated costs, due within 90 business days of the fully executed Interconnection Agreement. Progress payments will be required during construction and any excess will be reconciled and invoiced upon completion of all work and final accounting of all costs.