SEQR Resolution Kris-Tech Wire Company, Inc. 2023 Facility Expansion Project

RESOLUTION OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DETERMINING THAT ACTION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO A PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF KRIS-TECH WIRE COMPANY, INC. WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, Kris-Tech Wire Company, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of Kris-Tech Wire Company, Inc., and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") previously entered into transactions with the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") in which the Agency provided financial assistance in connection with construction of (a) a 45,000± square foot manufacturing facility; (b) a 22,000± square foot addition to the manufacturing facility; and (c) a 3,000± square foot addition to the manufacturing facility (collectively, the "Existing Improvements"), all situated on an 8.040± acre parcel of land located at 80 Otis Street in the Griffiss Business and Technology Park, City of Rome (the "Existing Land"); and (d) acquisition and installation of equipment in the Existing Improvements (collectively, the "Existing Equipment"), all to be used for the manufacturing of bare and insulated copper wire products (the Existing Land, the Existing Improvements and the Existing Equipment referred to collectively as the "Existing Facility"); and

WHEREAS, the Company has applied to the Agency to enter into a transaction in which the Agency will assist in (a) acquisition of a 3.98± acre parcel of land adjacent to the Existing Land, to be consolidated into the Existing Land (collectively, the "Land") (b) construction of a 75,000± square foot addition to the Existing Improvements and all infrastructure and utilities to service the same (the "Addition"); (c) renovations to the Existing Improvements; and (d) acquisition and installation of equipment in the Addition and Existing Improvements (the "Equipment"), all for the purpose of expanding the capabilities of the Existing Facility and enabling the manufacturing of critical supply chain components for energy and infrastructure projects across New York State and the United States (the Land, the Addition and the Equipment are referred to collectively as the "2023 Facility" and the construction and equipping of the Addition and renovation and equipping of the Existing Improvements is referred to as the "2023 Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the "Regulations"), the Agency desires to determine whether the construction and equipping of the 2023 Facility may have a "significant effect on the environment" (as said quoted term is defined in the SEQR Act and the Regulations) and therefore require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the construction, and equipping of the 2023 Facility may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Company has prepared and submitted to the Agency a long environmental assessment form (the "EAF"), a copy of which was presented to and reviewed by the Agency at this meeting and copies of which are on file at the office of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the 2023 Project may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Agency has reviewed the minutes of the March 20, 2023 meeting of the City of Rome Planning Board, its findings and negative declaration in connection with its site plan review (the "Planning Board Review"), a copy of which was presented to and reviewed by the Agency at this meeting and copies of which are on file at the office of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Agency has examined the EAF and the Planning Board Review in order to make a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the 2023 Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based on an examination of the Application, the EAF, the Planning Board Review, and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the 2023 Facility and such further investigation of the 2023 Facility and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the 2023 Facility:

- (A) The 2023 Facility is as described in the Application and the EAF;
- (B) The 2023 Facility constitutes an "Unlisted Action" (as defined in the Regulations);
- (C) No potentially significant impacts on the environment are noted in the EAF for the 2023 Facility, and none are known to the Agency;

- (D) The 2023 Facility will not result in (i) substantial adverse change in existing air quality; ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; or a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems; (ii) the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movement of a resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial adverse impacts on threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such species; or (iii) other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;
- (E) The 2023 Facility will not affect a critical environmental area as designated pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.14(g);
- (F) The 2023 Facility will not conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;
- (G) The 2023 Facility will not result in the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;
- (H) The 2023 Facility will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;
- (I) The 2023 Facility will not result in the creation of a hazard to human health:
- (J) The 2023 Facility will not result in a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including architectural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;
- (K) The 2023 Facility will not result in encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;
- (L) The 2023 Facility will not result in the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one or more of the above consequences;
- (M) The 2023 Facility will not result in changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment; and

- (N) The 2023 Facility will not result in two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in 6 NYCRR Section 617.7(c).
- Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the 2023 Facility will not have a significant impact on the environment and the Agency will not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement with respect to the 2023 Facility. As a result, the Agency has prepared a negative declaration with respect to the 2023 Facility.
- <u>Section 3</u>. The Executive Director of the Agency is hereby directed to file in the Agency's records a negative declaration with respect to the 2023 Facility (said negative declaration to be substantially in the form and substantially to the effect of the negative declaration attached hereto).

<u>Section 4</u>. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATE OF NEW YORK) : SS.:
COUNTY OF ONEIDA)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT:

I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") with the original thereof on file in the office of the Agency, and the same is a true and correct copy of such resolution and of the proceedings of the Agency in connection with such matter.

Such resolution was passed at a meeting of the Agency duly convened on March 28, 2023 at eight a.m., local time, at Rome, New York and Sarasota, New York which the following members were:

<u>Members Present – Rome, NY</u>: David Grow, Steve Zogby, Mike Fitzgerald. <u>Members Present – Sarasota, FL</u>: Ferris Betrus, Mary Faith Messenger, Kirk Hinman, Gene Quadraro.

<u>EDGE Staff Present – Rome, NY</u>: Steven J. DiMeo, Maureen Carney, Tim Fitzgerald, Laura Cohen, Mark Kaucher, Chris Lawrence, Hannah Phillips.

EDGE Staff Present – Sarasota, FL: Shawna Papale

EDGE Staff Present – WebEx: Bill Van Shufflin

<u>Other Attendees</u>: Mark Levitt, Levitt & Gordon; Rome Mayor Jackie Izzo, Jef Saunders, Saunder-Kahler LLP; Wade Abraham, Alder Creek Beverage.

<u>Other Attendees – WebEx</u>: Paul Goldman, Goldman Attorneys PLLC; Linda Romano and Laura Ruberto, Bond, Schoeneck & King; Shelby Pay, WUTR; John Herbrand and Charlie Monte Verde, Mohawk Adirondack & Northern Railroad; Alison Stanulevich, Horsht, LLC; Bob Pagano, Kris-Tech Wire; Patrick Allen and Greg Mountain, Collins Solar LLC; Gregg Evans, The Bonadio Group

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote, which resulted as follows:

David Grow voting aye;
Ferris Betrus voting aye;
Kirk Hinman voting aye;
Mary Faith Messenger voting aye;
Eugene Quadraro voting aye;
Stephen Zogby voting aye.

Michael Fitzgerald abstained from the discussion and the vote.

and, therefore, the resolution was declared duly adopted.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) the meeting was open for the public to attend and public notice of the date, time, location and call-in information for said meeting was duly given, (iii) the meeting in all respects was duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout..

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as	s of March 28, 2023.
Shawna Papale, Secretary	