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# APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

**Oneida County Industrial Development Agency**  
584 Phoenix Drive  
Rome, New York 13441-1405  
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(315) 338-5694 fax  
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**Please submit the signed and notarized completed application (Pages 1-25 ONLY), which must include any applicable addendum or supplemental information requested in the application, along with payment of a non-refundable \$500 Application Fee and a \$1,000 Commitment Fee (will be applied to final closing costs) to the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency, 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome NY 13441-1405, within 14 days prior to the OCIDA Board of Directors meeting at which you want the Application to be included on the Agenda. Wire transfer and ACH payments are acceptable but all related fees incurred by the Agency are payable by the Applicant. An electronic version of the application must accompany the original application via physical media or e-mail.**

NY CDG Oneida 2 LLC

Project Name

Date of Submission

## **Important Notes to Applicant:**

Upon the submission of this application to the OCIDA, the application becomes a public document. Be advised that any action brought before the Agency is public information. All agendas for the OCIDA are issued publicly prior to the full agency meeting. Upon the submission of this application to the OCIDA, the application becomes a public document and OCIDA is required by law to post on its website and make available to the public this Application and supporting materials. If when completing this Application, you deem any information to be specifically exempted from disclosure under Article Six of the Public Officers Law, please answer the question "This information is deemed to be exempt from disclosure under Article Six of the Public Officers Law and is submitted on the attached confidential addendum." It is acceptable to submit any confidential addendum electronically as a .pdf file separate from the application, but any confidential addendum must still be submitted with the hard copy of the full application (see Page 1). Please answer any such questions on a separate Addendum titled, "Confidential and Protected by Article Six of the Public Officers Law." If OCIDA is challenged to produce any information the Applicant identifies as protected, the Applicant will be required at its sole cost to defend such assertion on behalf of OCIDA.

The information requested by this application is necessary to determine the eligibility of your project for OCIDA benefits. Please answer all questions and respond "Not Applicable", "NA", or "none" where appropriate. If you're response is an estimate, please indicate so. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed for a response. **All applications must include a completed and signed NYS SEQR form and Cost Benefit Analysis form (please consult with OCIDA) before the application is considered complete.**

By signing and submitting this Application, the Applicant acknowledges that it received a copy of the Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and the Oneida County IDA Penalty for Failure to Meet Employment Levels as adopted by the Agency and Agency Memorandums pertaining to the benefits of projects financed through the Agency.

A project financed through the Agency involves the preparation and execution of significant legal documents. Please consult with an attorney before signing any documents in connection with the proposed project. You will receive an engagement letter from the OCIDA legal counsel. You will be asked to sign the engagement letter acknowledging you will be responsible for all legal fees of OCIDA legal counsel and that you understand the process. Should you not close and legal services have been rendered by the OCIDA legal counsel, Applicant will be responsible for those costs.

If your project requires a public hearing, a representative of the applicant is required to be present. A date will be coordinated by the OCIDA legal counsel.

If you have any questions how to calculate the OCIDA's application fee please refer to the enclosed Memorandum to Companies -Sale Leaseback Transactions or contact the OCIDA.

**Part I: Applicant Information**

**Note:** In responding to the following questions, please keep in mind that the Applicant will be party to all of the documents and is the individual or if entity will be formed which will receive the actual financial assistance from the Agency.

**Applicant**

1(a) Applicant's Legal Name: NY CDG Oneida 2 LLC

1(b) Principal Address: 800 Gessner Rd., Ste. 700  
Houston, TX, 77024

1(c) Telephone/Facsimile Numbers: 914-275-2831

1(d) Email Address: matt.effler@catalyze.com

1(e) Federal Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1(f) Contact Person: Matt Effler

1(g) Is the Applicant a  Corporation:  If Yes, Public  Private   
If public, on which exchange is it listed?   
 Subchapter S  
 Sole Proprietorship  
 General Partnership  
 Limited Partnership  
 Limited Liability Corporation/Partnership  
 Single-Member LLC (name and EIN below):

Name: NY CDG Oneida 2 LLC

EIN #: 37-2004262

DISC  
 Other(specify) \_\_\_\_\_

1(h) State of Organization (if applicable) Delaware

**Applicant's Stockholders, Members, Directors and Officers, Partners.**

2(a) Provide the following information with respect to any person with 15% or more in equity holdings in any entity in ownership chain of the project. Add additional sheets if necessary.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Percentage of Ownership</u>
Catalyze Holdings, LLC - 800 Gessner Rd., Ste. 700, Houston, TX, 77024 - 100%		

2(b) Is the Applicant, or any of the individuals listed in 2(a) above, related directly or indirectly to any other entity by more than 50% common ownership? **If Yes**, indicate name of such entity and the relationship.  Yes  No

Catalyze Holdings, LLC owns other companies that are working in Oneida County

2(c) Is the Applicant affiliated with any other entity, directly or indirectly, other than as listed in the response to 2(a) above? **If Yes**, please indicate name and relationship of such other entity and the address thereof:  Yes  No

## Applicant's Counsel and Accountant

### 3(a) Applicant's Attorney

Name/Title: Dan Spitzer / Partner  
Firm: Hodgson Russ LLP  
Address: 140 Pearl Street, Suite 100  
Buffalo, NY 14202  
Telephone/Fax: 716-856-4000  
Email: dspitzer@hodgsonruss.com

### 3(b) Applicant's Accountant

Name/Title: Chris Taylor  
Firm: Catalyze Holdings  
Address: 800 Gessner Rd., Ste. 700  
Houston, TX, 77024  
Telephone/Fax: 979-292-5519  
Email: chris.taylor@catalyze.com

## Business Description

4(a) Describe the nature of your business and principal products and/or services. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Development, construction, ownership, financings and operation and maintenance of photovoltaic(PV) solar energy generating facility.

To: BW Solar  
Attn.: Dan Huntington, Senior Project Developer

Transmitted via email to and [Daniel.Huntington@bwsolar.com](mailto:Daniel.Huntington@bwsolar.com)

BW Solar, Oneida County IDA and Mohawk Valley EDGE,

We are pleased to share this indication of interest to acquire the NY CDG Oneida 2 LLC solar projects. As confirmation, Catalyze Holdings, LLC will be the purchaser of 100% of the membership interest in NY CDG Oneida 2 LLC.

Founded in 2017, Catalyze is an innovative energy-services partner and independent power producer (IPP) of renewable energy on commercial properties. In September of 2019, Catalyze secured a significant capital commitment from [EnCap Investments L.P.](#) (“EnCap”) and [Yorktown Partners LLC](#) (“Yorktown”), supporting Catalyze’s ambitious goal of transforming commercial real estate into smart energy infrastructure.

Our team has extensive experience in developing and delivering turnkey renewable energy solutions that integrate market supply knowledge with distributed energy assets, especially within the New York Market. As you consider the Pilot ownership transfer, you should be confident in the following factors that differentiate Catalyze::

- Leadership
  - Market Knowledge
  - Industry Vision
  - Solution Experience
  - Risk Management
- Scalability
  - Financial Stability
  - Partner & Portfolio Emphasis
  - Support Commitment
  - Flexibility and Rapid Response Capability

It is important to note that we are intimately familiar with development, construction, and operation of solar assets in the Northeast, with a significant active pipeline of projects in New York State. Please see the attached list of active NYS projects as well as our references with development partners.

Best,



Jared Haines, VP of Business & Project Development

**Exhibit A – 2022 New York Projects**

<i>2022 Catalyze Projects (NY)</i>				
<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>System Size (kWdc)</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Utility</i>
<i>NY SPENCER</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	5461.56	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY SPRINGFIELD CENTER</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	7497.36	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY WHITE PLAINS</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	5000	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY FLUSHING</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	288.75	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY FLUSHING</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	161.95	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY HERMON</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	2,442.42	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY FABIUS</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	5,840.00	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY NEW HARTFORD</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	4,478.76	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY MOHAWK</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	6,520.00	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY TARRYTOWN</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	5,000.00	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY ALTONA 1</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	7,500.00	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY ALTONA 2</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	7,500.00	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY PORT CHESTER</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	4,000.00	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY PURCHASE</i>	Pre-NTP Applications & Permits	5,000.00	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY FRANKFORT</i>	Final Design & Engineering	5,335.20	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY CHENANGO FORKS</i>	Final Design & Engineering	6,500.00	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY BRONX</i>	Final Design & Engineering	4,288.00	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY BREESPORT</i>	Final Design & Engineering	5,237.65	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY SPENCER</i>	Final Design & Engineering	7,440.12	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY BEAVER DAMS</i>	Final Design & Engineering	7,450.00	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY FLUSHING</i>	Final Design & Engineering	213.70	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY AFTON</i>	Final Design & Engineering	5,896.00	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY SHERMAN 2</i>	Pre-Construction	6,912.00	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY SHERMAN 1</i>	Pre-Construction	6,428.00	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY POTSDAM</i>	Pre-Construction	6,388.20	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY GRAND ISLAND</i>	Pre-Construction	5,700.24	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY FREDONIA</i>	Installation	6,240.00	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY LANCASTER 1</i>	Installation	6,631.70	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY LANCASTER 2</i>	Installation	6,005.25	NY	New York State Elec & Gas Corp
<i>NY SELKIRK</i>	Installation	6,809.40	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY GENESEO</i>	Installation	6,760.26	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY AMHERST</i>	Operation	6,378.75	NY	National Grid - New York
<i>NY HARRISON</i>	Operations	221.2	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<i>NY KINGSTON</i>	Operations	950	NY	Central Hudson Gas & Elec Corp
<i>NY STATEN ISLAND</i>	Operations	493	NY	Consolidated Edison Co-NY Inc
<b>2022 MW</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>174,969.47</b>		
<b>2022 MW</b>	<b>In Installation/Operations</b>	<b>40,489.56</b>		



**Exhibit C – Development Partner References**

US Light Energy  
Mark Richardson, CEO  
(518) 965-4148  
[mrichardson@uslightenergy.com](mailto:mrichardson@uslightenergy.com)

USLE transacted with Catalyze on 5 Upstate NY projects pre-NTP, which Catalyze is currently co-developing the projects through permitting.

OurGeneration  
Elie Schechter, Managing Member  
(914) 420.5803  
[eschecter@ourgeneration.dev](mailto:eschecter@ourgeneration.dev)

OurGeneration transacted with Catalyze on (2) Upstate NY projects pre-NTP, which have been co-developed and are currently in construction, as well (9) additional Upstate NY projects, which we are mobilizing to construct.

Solar Liberty  
Adam Rizzo, Founder  
(866)807-3639 ext. 101  
[akrizzo@solarliberty.com](mailto:akrizzo@solarliberty.com)

Solar Liberty transacted with Catalyze on (3) Upstate NY projects at NTP which have mobilized for construction, and an additional (4) Upstate NY projects are pending transaction





Anthony J. Picente Jr.  
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TO: OCIDA Board of Directors

FROM: Mark Kaucher

DATE: Friday October 13, 2023

RE: BW Solar Holdings, Inc.  
Friday October 13, 2023 Public Hearing Minutes  
584 Phoenix Drive, Rome NY and WebEx

Representing the Agency: Mark Kaucher, Timothy Fitzgerald

Other Attendees via WebEx: Dan Huntington and Gareth McDonald, BW Solar Holdings, Inc.; Robert Ryan, Harris-Beach

Public hearing opened at 11:00 AM

Reading of the public hearing notice was waived, upon consensus of the attendees.

No comments were made.

Public Hearing was closed at 11:12 AM