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Department of
Water & Power

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BOARD LETTER APPROVAL

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SUBJECT: Large Generator Interconnection Agreement No. BP 23-006 - Willow Springs Solar 2, LLC for the Interconnection of the Willow Springs-2 Project

SUMMARY

Power System requests the approval of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement No. BP 23-006 (LGIA), with Willow Springs Solar 2 LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Interconnection Customer), for the interconnection of the Willow Springs-2 Project for 150 megawatts (MW) with 75 MW battery storage technology (Project), to LADWP's transmission system at 230 kilovolt (kV) Rosamond Switching Station (Rosamond SS) in Kern County, CA (Interconnection Agreement).

City Council approval is not required for this LGIA.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board) adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the execution of the Interconnection Agreement with the Interconnection Customer.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

A “no agreement” alternative was considered but is not feasible. The Interconnection Customer will not be able to physically interconnect the Project without an executed Interconnection Agreement. The Interconnection Agreement is in accordance with LADWP’s approved Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT), Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (LGIP), and the standard LGIA.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Interconnection Agreement is for a minimum term of 10 years and shall automatically be renewed for each successive one-year period thereafter unless terminated by LADWP or the Interconnection Customer pursuant to the termination procedures stated in the Interconnection Agreement.

The combined overall estimated cost for engineering design, procurement, and construction of the interconnection facilities at Rosamond SS to interconnect the Project is approximately \$5,284,928 and shall be fully reimbursed by the Interconnection Customer.

The estimated operation and maintenance costs for the interconnection facilities are \$150,000 annually and shall be fully reimbursed by the Interconnection Customer.

BACKGROUND

LADWP’s current OATT, as approved and amended from time to time, which includes the standard LGIP and LGIA, provides non-discriminatory interconnection service to large generators above 20 MW. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 183143, the City Council also delegated to the Board the authority to approve future standard LGIAs. Pursuant to the LGIP, LADWP has completed the interconnection studies for the Project with the point of interconnection at LADWP’s Rosamond SS, located in Kern County, CA at approximately 30 miles south of the Barren Ridge SS. The Project site is located approximately 2.6 miles south of Rosamond SS.

The Interconnection Agreement, utilizing the approved standard LGIA, provides for the physical connection of the Interconnection Customer’s Project to LADWP’s transmission system at Rosamond SS.

The Interconnection Agreement defines the parties’ obligations for payment and reimbursement for engineering design, procurement and construction of Interconnection Customer’s interconnection facilities at Rosamond SS, and the obligations and cost responsibilities for operating and maintaining the interconnection facilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Determine item is exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3). In accordance with this section, an activity is not subject to CEQA if it does not meet the definition of a project. Section 15378(b)(5) states that organizational or administrative activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment do not meet that definition. Therefore, the adoption of a resolution that approves an interconnection agreement is not an action subject to CEQA.

CITY ATTORNEY

The Office of the City Attorney reviewed and approved the Interconnection Agreement and Resolution as to form and legality.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution
- Interconnection Agreement