

RESOLUTION OF THE MORRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

TITLE:

RESOLUTION OF THE MORRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Morris County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") has been duly created by resolution of the County of Morris (the "County"), State of New Jersey (the "State") and exists in good standing as a public body corporate and politic under and pursuant to all applicable law, including the county improvement authorities law, constituting Chapter 183 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1960 of the State, as amended from time to time (codified at N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44 et seq., the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40:11A-1 *et seq.* (the "Public Contracts Law") to enter into contracts as deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, in combination with and for the County, created the Morris County Renewable Energy Program (the "Renewable Energy Program") which developed photovoltaic energy systems for certain local government buildings, parking canopy and other structures, and lands owned or controlled by local governments within and including the County (the "Renewable Energy Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority desired to engage the services of a renewable energy consultant to act as an advisor to the Authority in relation to the Renewable Energy Program, for services including, but not limited to, (i) monitoring, reviewing and advising on the operations, management and budget of the Renewable Energy Projects; (ii) consulting on current and future New Jersey solar renewable energy credits ("SRECs") pricing; and (iii) evaluating and making recommendations to the Authority on timing of the SREC sales (collectively, the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority adopted Resolution No. 23-04 on January 18, 2023, authorizing the preparation and issuance of a request for proposals ("RFP") in connection with the Services; and

WHEREAS, the RFP was issued by the Authority on February 16, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP and in accordance with the procedures of a fair and open process established by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, the Authority received a

proposal (the “Proposal”) from Gabel Associates Inc. (“Gabel”) which Proposal is on file with the Authority; and

WHEREAS, following careful consideration of the Proposals, the Authority adopted Resolution No. 23-14 on April 19, 2023, authorizing the award and execution of a contract to perform the Services provided in the RFP (the “Contract”) for a term not to exceed one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1.3 of the RFP and in accordance with Resolution 24-05 adopted on February 21, 2024, the term of the Contract was extended for a term not to exceed one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, Gabel has continued to provide the Services as detailed in the Proposal and the RFP, including providing significant insight related to the Authority’s decommissioning and removal of certain Renewable Energy Projects (collectively, the “Renewable Energy Expenses”); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has incurred such Renewable Energy Expenses in the aggregate amount of \$21,748.75, consisting of those expenses set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to approve such Renewable Energy Expenses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Chairperson and the Treasurer of the Authority (including their designees, each an "Authorized Officer") are hereby authorized and directed to make payment from the Reserve for Debt Service for the payment of the following Renewable Energy Expenses as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, in aggregate amounts not to exceed \$21,748.75, provided that the Authorized Officer is presented with invoices reflecting that the amounts have been properly incurred.

Section 2. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized and directed to take all further actions, and to execute such certificates, instruments or documents, deemed necessary, convenient or desirable by any such Authorized Officer, in consultation with counsel, in connection with all matters set forth in or contemplated by this resolution.

Section 3. Subject to the second sentence of this section, this resolution shall take effect immediately. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:37A-50, the Secretary of the Authority is hereby authorized and directed to submit to each member of the Board of County Commissioners, by the end of the fifth business day following this meeting, a copy of the minutes of this meeting. The Secretary is hereby further authorized and directed to obtain from the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners a certification from the Clerk stating that the minutes of this meeting have not been vetoed by the Director of the Board of County Commissioners.

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Exhibit A

Invoice



Gabel Associates, Inc.

417 Denison Street - Suite 2

Highland Park NJ 08904

FEDERAL TAX ID 22-3405400

INVOICE

May 14, 2024

Morris County Improvement Authority

P.O. Box 900

Morristown, NJ 07963

Invoice Number	3110324-24	Invoice Date	5/14/2024
Purchase Order	NONE	Covering Billing Period	1/1/2024 - 3/31/2024

Project 2024 Renewable Energy Consulting

Project Billing Summary

Hourly Charges	\$21,748.75
Total This Period	\$21,748.75

Time Accounting For This Period

	Rate	Hours	Charges
Senior Vice President	\$295.00	4.00	\$1,180.00
Vice President	\$285.00	61.75	\$17,598.75
Senior Associate	\$270.00	11.00	\$2,970.00
Total Hourly Charges			\$21,748.75

Participating Staff

Name	Position	Rate	Hours
Holly Reed	Senior Vice President	\$295.00	4.00
Andrew Conte	Vice President	\$285.00	61.75
Brian Bizjak	Senior Associate	\$270.00	11.00

Time Accounting

Morris County Improvement Authority - 2024 Renewable Energy Consulting

Date	Staff	Description	Hours
1/5/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 report	3.00
1/8/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 - Report	0.50
1/8/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	0.75
1/9/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	1.00
1/9/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report	1.00
1/10/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	1.00
1/11/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	6.75
1/11/2024	H. Reed	MCIA report review	1.50
1/12/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	5.00
1/14/2024	H. Reed	Review report	2.00
1/17/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	0.50
1/17/2024	H. Reed	MCIA report review	0.50
1/18/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1 Report Draft	0.25
1/19/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1	0.50
1/22/2024	A.Conte	Mtg follow ups	0.25
1/22/2024	A.Conte	Discussion RE: Morris County Solar I End of Cycle Options	1.50
1/25/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1	0.25
1/26/2024	A.Conte	Solar 1	0.25
1/29/2024	A.Conte	sOLAR 1	0.50
2/2/2024	A.Conte	Morris II	0.25
2/6/2024	A.Conte	SREC sale price question, Solar 1 assessment	1.75
2/7/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1 Assessment	1.25
2/8/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	1.50
2/8/2024	A.Conte	morris 1	0.25
2/8/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1 Assessment	1.75
2/9/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	2.00
2/9/2024	A.Conte	morris 1	3.00
2/9/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	2.00
2/12/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	0.50
2/12/2024	A.Conte	morris 1	1.75
2/12/2024	A.Conte	Boonton questions	0.25
2/12/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	1.50
2/12/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	0.75
2/13/2024	A.Conte	Discussion RE: Morris County Solar I / Report	1.00

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Morris County Improvement Authority - 2024 Renewable Energy Consulting

Date	Staff	Description	Hours
2/14/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	1.50
2/16/2024	A.Conte	morris 1	1.00
2/16/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	0.50
2/20/2024	A.Conte	morris 1 memo	1.75
2/21/2024	A.Conte	MorrisCIA mtg	2.50
2/21/2024	A.Conte	morris 1 prep for mtg	1.50
3/4/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	0.50
3/4/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1	0.25
3/7/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1 solar PPA term question	0.50
3/8/2024	A.Conte	morris 1 cashflow	0.25
3/8/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1 Cashflow	0.25
3/14/2024	A.Conte	Morris 1 cashflow	2.50
3/15/2024	A.Conte	cashflow analysis & morris 2 decommissioning estimates	1.00
3/15/2024	A.Conte	morris 2 decommissioning & morris 1	1.25
3/15/2024	A.Conte	cashflow	1.00
3/15/2024	A.Conte	cashflow	0.25
3/15/2024	B. Bizjak	Begining of the cost estimate for removal of the solar 2 sites	4.50
3/19/2024	A.Conte	cashflow	0.25
3/19/2024	A.Conte	cashflow	0.25
3/21/2024	A.Conte	SLG emails	0.25
3/21/2024	A.Conte	Coordinate with SLG on repairs and budget, repair review, morris 2	0.50
3/21/2024	B. Bizjak	Review and modify spreadsheet of repairs	3.00
3/22/2024	A.Conte	Coordinate SLG meeting	0.25
3/27/2024	A.Conte	MCIA 1 - Solar Repairs Review with SLG	1.00
3/27/2024	A.Conte	morris 1 repairs	0.25
3/27/2024	B. Bizjak	Review, revise and comment on repairs to the systems	0.50
3/28/2024	B. Bizjak	Review of apporved enegineeringfirms for an evaluation of Mennen, Develop SOW for Mennen	3.00

MOVED/SECONDED:

Resolution moved by Commissioner _____.
Resolution seconded by Commissioner _____.

VOTE:

Commissioner	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Leary				
Ramirez				
Bauer				
Sandman				
Gallop				

This Resolution was acted upon at the Regular Meeting of the Authority held remotely on June 19, 2024 by audio and video in accordance with notice promulgated by the Authority in accordance with applicable law.

Attested to this 19th day of June, 2024

By: _____
Secretary of the Authority

FORM and LEGALITY:

This Resolution is approved as to form and legality as of June 19, 2024.

By: _____
Matthew D. Jessup, Member, McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC
Counsel to the Authority
Resolution No. 24-18