JOHNSON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT

Christopher Boedeker County Judge	Rick Bailey Commissioner Precinct 1	Kenny Howell Commissioner Precinct 2	Mike White Commissioner Precinct 3	Larry Woolley Commissioner Precinct 4

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
§ **RESOLUTION 2026-13**
COUNTY OF JOHNSON §

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE JOHNSON COUNTY PACE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The 83rd Regular Session of the Texas Legislature enacted the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act, Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399 (the "PACE Act"), which allows the governing body of a local government, including a City or County, to designate an area of the territory of the local government as a region within which an authorized representative of a local government and the record owners of commercial, industrial, and large multifamily residential (5 or more dwelling units) real property may enter into written contracts to impose assessments on the property to repay the financing by the owners of permanent improvements fixed to the property intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand; and

WHEREAS, the installation or modification by property owners of qualified energy or water-saving improvements to commercial, industrial, and large multifamily residential real property in Johnson County will further the goals of energy and water conservation without cost to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that third-party financing of energy and water conserving projects through contractual assessments maintained by the County ("PACE financing") furthers essential government purposes, including but not limited to, economic development, reducing energy consumption and costs, conserving water resources, and improving air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court adopted a Resolution of Intent to establish a PACE program for the County on June 22, 2026, including a reference to the report on the proposed program prepared as required by Section 399.009 of the PACE Act and made the report available to the public on the County's website and for inspection in the County Judge's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that the administration of the PACE program by a qualified non-profit organization as an independent third-party Authorized Representative contracted by the County and compensated by application and administration fees paid by the participating property owners, will enable the program to be administered without use of County resources, will assure the objectives of impartiality and confidentiality of owner information, and will be convenient and advantageous to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court also finds that because no County funds will be expended for PACE financing of the Authorized Representative's services, the selection of such an

independent third-party Authorized Representative is not subject to the Professional Services Procurement Act or other County purchasing requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court held a public hearing on July 27, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners Courtroom, 2 North Main Street, Cleburne, Texas 76033, at which the public could comment on the proposed program, including the report available for public inspection as mentioned above and as required by Section 399.008(a)(2):

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

1. Recitals. The recitals to this Resolution are true and correct and are incorporated into this resolution for all purposes.

2. Establishment of Program. The County hereby adopts this Resolution Establishing the Johnson County Property Assessed Clean Energy Program ("Johnson County PACE"), herein called "the Program," and finds that financing qualified projects through contractual assessments pursuant to the PACE Act is a valid public purpose and is convenient and advantageous to the County and its citizens.

3. Contractual Assessments. The County will, at the property owner's request, impose contractual assessments on the property to repay PACE financing for qualified energy and water conserving projects available to owners of privately owned commercial, industrial, and large multifamily property.

4. Qualified Projects. The following types of projects are qualified projects for PACE financing that may be subject to such contractual assessments:

   Projects that (a) involve the installation or modification of a permanent improvement fixed to privately owned commercial, industrial, or residential real property with five (5) or more dwelling units, and (b) are intended to decrease energy or water consumption or demand, including a product, device, or interacting group of products or devices on the customer's side of the meter that uses energy technology to generate electricity, provide thermal energy, or regulate temperature.

   An assessment may not be imposed to repay the financing of facilities for undeveloped lots or lots undergoing development at the time of the assessment, construction of new buildings, or the purchase or installation of products or devices not permanently fixed to real property.

5. Region. The entire geographic area within the County's jurisdictional boundaries is included in the region where PACE financing and assessments can occur.

6. Third- Party Financing. Financing for qualified projects under the Program will be provided by qualified third-party lenders chosen by the owners. Such lenders will execute written contracts with the Authorized Representative to service the debt through assessments, as required by the PACE Act. The contracts will provide for the lenders to determine the financial ability of owners to fulfill the financial obligations to be repaid through assessments, advance the funds to owners on such terms as are agreed between the lenders and the owners for the installation or modification of qualified projects, and service the debt secured by the assessments, directly or through a servicer, by collecting payments from the owners pursuant to financing documents executed between the lenders and the owners. The County will maintain and continue the assessments for the benefit of such lenders and will enforce the assessment lien for the benefit of a lender in the event

of a default by an owner. The County will not, at this time, provide financing of any sort for the Johnson County PACE program.

7. Authorized Representative. The Commissioners Court will designate Texas PACE Authority, a non-profit organization, to act as the Authorized Representative with authority to enter into written contracts with the record owners of real property in the County of Johnson to impose assessments pursuant to the PACE Act to repay the financing of qualified projects on the owners' property, to enter into written contracts with the parties that provide third-party financing for such projects to service the debts through assessments, and to file written notice of each contractual assessment in the real property records of Johnson County, all on behalf of the County. The Authorized Representative may make technical and conforming updates as necessary so long as the changes are consistent with the resolution to establish the PACE program and the statute. The County Judge or his designee will be the liaison with the Authorized Representative.

8. Enforcement. The County will enforce the collection of past due assessments and may contract with a qualified law firm to assist in collection efforts.

9. Report. The final report on the County PACE program, prepared in accordance with Section 399.009 of the Texas Local Government Code is attached and incorporated into this resolution. The County will post the resolution and report on the County's website.

10. Amendment of Program. The Commissioners Court may amend the County PACE Program by resolution. However, another public hearing is required before the Program may be amended to provide for County financing of qualified improvements through assessments.

Said Resolution was moved and approved on this, the 27th of July, 2026.

Christopher Boedeker, Johnson County Judge
Voted: ✓ yes, ___ no, ___ abstained

Rick Bailey, Comm. Pct. 1
Voted: ✓ yes, ___ no, ___ abstained

Kenny Howell, Comm. Pct. 2
Voted: ✓ yes, ___ no, ___ abstained

Mike White, Comm. Pct. 3
Voted: ✓ yes, ___ no, ___ abstained

Larry Woolley, Comm. Pct. 4
Voted: ✓ yes, ___ no, ___ abstained

ATTEST: April Long, County Clerk

COMMISSIONERS COURT JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ESTABLISHING JOHNSON COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) PROGRAM

The Commissioners Court of Johnson County will conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment and voting regarding establishing a Johnson County PACE Program through the Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority.

The Public Hearing will be conducted on Monday, July 27th, 2026, at 9:00am, at the Johnson County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom, Rm 201, 2 N. Main Street, Cleburne, Texas 76033.

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July 18, 2026

REPORT REQUIRED BY TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 399.009
FOR A PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) PROGRAM

This Report is adopted by the County Commissioners Court for Johnson County, Texas ("**Local Government**") Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program (**the "Program")** in accordance with the requirements of the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (**the "PACE Act"**) as set forth in Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399.

The Local Government and its constituents benefit when older existing buildings are modified, and facilities are constructed with new technology and equipment that increases energy efficiency and reduces water consumption. As described in this Report, the Local Government is establishing the commercial PACE Program to encourage private sector investment in energy efficiency and water conservation. The PACE Program will be offered to property owners on a strictly voluntary basis and will not require the use of any public funds or resources.

Authorized under the PACE Act enacted in 2013, the PACE program is an innovative financing program that enables private sector owners of privately owned commercial, industrial, and multifamily residential properties with five or more dwelling units to obtain low-cost, long-term loans to pay for water conservation, energy-efficiency improvements, and distributed generation. PACE loans provide up to 100% financing of all eligible project costs, with little or no up-front out-of-pocket cost to the owner. The Local Government has chosen to follow the administrative principles, program processes, and model documents of the uniform Texas PACE in a Box model program, as amended from time-to-time.[1]

Loans made under the PACE Program will be secured by assessments on the property that are voluntarily imposed by the owner. Assessments may be amortized over the projected life of the improvements. The utility cost savings derived from improvements financed with PACE loans are expected to equal or exceed the amount of the assessment. In turn, these improvements are able to generate positive cash flow upon installation because the debt service will be less than the savings.

PACE assessments are tied to the property and follow title from one owner to the next. Each owner is responsible only for payment of the assessments accruing during its period of ownership. When the property is sold, the payment obligation for the remaining balance of the assessment is transferred automatically to the next owner. As a result, the program will help property owners overcome market barriers that often discourage investment in energy efficiency and water conservation improvements.

1. Eligible Properties

[1] https://www.keepingpaceintexas.org/pace-in-a-box

The Local Government's PACE program is a strictly voluntary program. All private sector owners of Eligible Properties located within the Local Government's PACE region may participate in PACE financing. ***"Eligible Properties"*** include existing commercial, industrial, and multifamily residential properties with five or more dwelling units. Government, residential[2], and undeveloped property and property undergoing development at the time of the assessment are not Eligible Properties.

2. Qualified Improvements

PACE financing may be used to pay for Qualified Improvements to Eligible Properties. ***"Qualified Improvements"*** are permanent improvements intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand, including a product, device, or interacting group of products or devices on the customer's side of the meter that use energy technology to generate electricity, provide thermal energy, or regulate temperature. Under the PACE Act, products or devices that are not permanently fixed to real property are not considered to be Qualified Improvements.

The following items may constitute Qualified Improvements:

- High efficiency heating, ventilating and air conditioning ("HVAC") systems
- High efficiency chillers, boilers, and furnaces
- High efficiency water heating systems
- Energy management systems and controls
- Distributed generation systems
- High efficiency lighting system upgrades
- Building enclosure and envelope improvements
- Water conservation and wastewater recovery and reuse systems
- Combustion and burner upgrades
- Heat recovery and steam traps
- Water management systems and controls (indoor and outdoor)
- High efficiency irrigation equipment

3. Benefits of PACE to Property Owners

The PACE program will enable owners of Eligible Properties to overcome traditional barriers to capital investments in energy efficiency and water conservation improvements, such as unattractive returns on investment, split incentives between landlords and tenants, and uncertainty of recouping the investment upon sale of the property.

By financing Qualified Improvements through the program, property owners may achieve utility cost savings that exceed the amount of the assessment and reduce their exposure to utility price volatility. As a result, the value of the property will be enhanced, and the owner will only be obligated to pay the assessment installments that accrue during its period of

[2] This encompasses single family residential and any multi-family properties with fewer than five units.

ownership of the property. Additionally, by investing in energy efficiency and water conservation with PACE financing, property owners may also qualify for various rebate, tax credit, and incentive programs offered by utility providers and state or federal governmental authorities to encourage these types of investments.

4. Benefits of PACE to the Local Government

Among other things, projects financed through PACE will:

- Enable property owners and occupants to save substantial amounts in utility costs;
- Reduce demand on the electricity grid;
- Mitigate greenhouse gas emissions associated with energy generation;
- Enhance the value and efficiency of existing buildings;
- Boost the local economy by creating new job opportunities and new business opportunities for contractors, engineers, commercial lenders, professionals, and equipment vendors and manufacturers;
- Increase business retention and expansion in the PACE region by enabling cost effective energy and water saving updates to existing property;
- Improve productivity through optimized energy usage;
- Support the State's water conservation plan; and
- Better enable the Local Government to meet its water conservation goals.

Finally, through the reduction in energy consumption as a result of the PACE program, there will be a decreased demand for power resulting in lower emissions from power plants. EPA regulations have significant impacts on air quality standards in Texas.

The PACE program requires minimal support from the Local Government. It is designed to be selfsustaining. Furthermore, because the PACE program is tax neutral, it achieves all of the benefits listed in this Report without imposing a burden on the Local Government's general fund.

The 84th Texas Legislature added an immunity provision that explicitly shields the Local Government and its employees, members of the governing body of a local government, employees of a local government, and board members, executives, employees, and contractors of a third party who enter into a contract with a local government to provide administrative services for a program under this chapter from liability.[2]

5. The Benefits of PACE to Lenders

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[2] TX. Local Gov't Code §399.019. In the 85th legislature, HB 2654 clarified that the personal immunity provisions apply to all elected officials performing rights and duties under chapter 399 of the Local Government Code.

PACE loans are attractive to lenders because they are very secure investments. Like a property tax lien, the assessment lien securing the PACE loan has priority over other liens on the property. Therefore, the risk of loss from non-payment of a PACE loan is low compared to most other types of loans. PACE assessments provide lenders with an attractive new product to assist existing and new customers in addressing an almost universal pent-up demand for needed commercial and industrial property equipment modernization. In order to protect the interests of holders of existing mortgage loans on the property, the PACE Act requires their written consent to the PACE assessment as a condition to obtaining a PACE loan.

6. The Benefits of PACE to Contractors, Engineers, and Manufacturers

PACE loans provide attractive sources of financing for water and energy saving retrofits and new construction upgrades, thereby encouraging property owners to make substantial investments in existing commercial and industrial buildings. As a result, PACE will unlock business opportunities for contractors, engineers, and manufacturers throughout the commercial and industrial sectors.

7. Administration of the Local Government PACE Program

Under the PACE Act, the establishment and operation of the program are governmental functions.[3] The PACE Act further authorizes the Local Government to enter into a contract with a third party to provide administrative services for the PACE program (the ***"Authorized Representative"***). The Local Government will delegate administration of the PACE program to Texas PACE Authority, a qualified, non-profit organization that can administer the program at no cost to the Local Government.

The Authorized Representative's role is to serve as an extension of the local government staff to provide oversight of the program to ensure best practices and consumer protections at the lowest possible cost to the property owner in a transparent and ethical manner and to provide education and outreach.

The Authorized Representative will be funded by administrative fees paid by the property owners establishing a PACE project, charitable grants or other authorized sources of revenue. The Authorized Representative will not receive compensation or reimbursement from the Local Government.

8. Eligible Lenders

The PACE Act does not set criteria for financial institutions or investors to be PACE lenders. The Local Government will follow best practices of other PACE programs and the Texas PACE in a Box model program by recommending that lenders be:

[3] TX Local Government Code §399.003(b)

- Any federally insured depository institution such as a bank, savings bank, savings and loan association and federal or state credit union;
- Any insurance company authorized to conduct business in one or more states;
- Any registered investment company, registered business development company, or a Small Business Administration small business investment company; • Any publicly traded entity; or
- Any private entity that:
    - Has a minimum net worth of $5 million;
    - Has at least three years' experience in business or industrial lending or commercial real estate lending (including multifamily lending), or has a lending officer that has at least three years' experience in business or industrial lending or commercial real estate lending; and
    - Can provide independent certification as to availability of funds.

All lenders must have the ability to carry out, either directly or through a servicer, the bookkeeping and customer service work necessary to manage the assessment accounts.

Any lender can participate in the PACE program as long as it is a financially stable entity with the ability to carry out, either directly or through a servicer, the bookkeeping and customer service work necessary to manage the assessment accounts. The property owner, not the Local Government or the Authorized Representative, selects the lender.

The Authorized Representative will not guarantee or imply that funding will automatically be provided from a third-party lender, imply or create any endorsement of, or responsibility for, any lender; or create any type of express or implied favoritism for any eligible lender.

9. Components of the PACE Program

As required under Section 399.009 of the PACE Act, the following describes all aspects of the PACE Program:

a. Map of Region. A map of the boundaries of the region included in the program is attached to this Report as Exhibit 1. The region encompasses the entire geographic area within the Local Government's jurisdictional boundaries.

b. Form Contract with Owner. A form contract between the Local Government and the record owner of the Eligible Property is attached as Exhibit 2. It specifies the terms of the assessment under the PACE program and the financing to be provided by an Eligible Lender of the property owner's choosing.

c. Form Contract with Lender. A form contract between the Local Government and the Eligible Lender chosen by a property owner is attached to this Report as Exhibit 3. It specifies the financing and servicing of the debt through assessments.

d. Form Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien. A form Notice of Assessment Lien to be filed by the Local Government with the County Clerk is attached to this Report as Exhibit 4.

e. Qualified Improvement. The following types of projects are qualified improvements that may be subject to contractual assessments under the PACE program:

(1) Projects that involve the installation or modification of a permanent improvement fixed to privately owned commercial, industrial or residential real property with five (5) or more dwelling units;[4] and

(2) Projects that are intended to decrease energy or water consumption or demand by installing a product, device, or interacting group of products or devices on the

[4] TX. Local Gov't Code §399.002(5).

customer's side of the meter that uses energy technology to generate electricity, provide thermal energy, or regulate temperature. [5]

A sample list of potential Qualified Improvements appears in Section 2 above.

The PACE program may not be used to finance improvements to (1) undeveloped lots or lots undergoing development at the time of the assessment, (2) construction of new buildings. or (3) for the purchase or installation of products or devices not permanently fixed to real property.[7]

f. Authorized Representative. HB 3187 was signed into law on June 16, 2015. It authorizes the Local Government to delegate administration of the PACE program to a third-party "Authorized Representative." The Local Government may delegate all official administrative responsibilities, such as the execution of individual contracts with property owners and lenders, to an Authorized Representative. This relationship will be monitored and maintained by the County Judge or his designee.

g. Project Review. Track and provide a public overview with savings metrics for all PACE projects

h. Plans for Ensuring Sufficient Capital.[6] Lenders will extend loans to finance Qualified Improvements. Financing documents executed between owners and lenders will impose a contractual assessment on Eligible Property to repay the owner's financing of the Qualified Improvements. The lenders will ensure that property owners demonstrate the financial ability to fulfill the financial obligations to be repaid through contractual assessments.

i. No Use of Bonds or Public Funds. The Local Government does not intend to issue bonds or use any other public monies to fund PACE projects. Property owners will obtain all financing from the Eligible Lenders they choose.

j. Limit on Length of Loan. One of the statutory criteria of a PACE loan is that the assessment payment period cannot exceed the useful life of the Qualified Improvement that is the basis for the loan and assessment. As part of the application process, the property owners will submit an independent third-party review prepared by a licensed engineer showing the water or energy baseline conditions and the projected water or energy savings. This review will aid the Authorized Representative in making a determination that the period of the requested assessment does not exceed the useful life of the Qualified Improvement.

k. Application Process. The Authorized Representative will accept applications from property owners seeking to finance Qualified Improvements under the program.

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[5] TX. Local Gov't Code §399.002(3). [7]
TX. Local Gov't Code §399.004.

[6] The Texas PACE Authority's website (www.texaspaceauthority.org) offers a non-exhaustive list of interested and qualified lenders to assist property owners in funding PACE projects in Texas.

Each application must be accompanied by the required application fee and must include:

(1) A description of the specific Qualified Improvements to be installed or modified on the property;

(2) A description of the specific real property to which the Qualified Improvements will be permanently fixed, and

(3) The total amount of financing, including any transaction costs, to be repaid through assessments.

Based on this information, the Authorized Representative may issue a preliminary letter indicating that, subject to verification of all requirements at closing, the proposed project appears to meet program requirements. Based on this preliminary letter, the property owner may initiate an independent third-party review of the project and submit the project to Eligible Lenders for approval of financing.

Once the above processes are completed, the property owner will submit the application to the Authorized Representative to obtain preliminary approval. The property owner is expected to produce the following documentation prior to closing on the PACE loan:

(1) A Report conducted by a qualified, independent third-party reviewer, showing water or energy baseline conditions and the projected water or energy savings, or the amount of renewable energy generated attributable to the project;

(2) Such financial information about the owner and the property as the lender chosen by the owner deems necessary to determine that the owner has demonstrated the financial ability to fulfill the financial obligations to be paid through assessments; and

(3) All other information required by the Authorized Representative.

l. Financial Eligibility Requirements. The Authorized Representative will determine whether the owner, the property and the improvements are eligible for financing under the program. The Eligible Lender chosen by the owner will determine whether the owner has demonstrated the financial ability to repay the financial obligations to be collected through contractual assessments. The statutory method[7] for ensuring such a demonstration of financial ability must be based on appropriate underwriting factors, including the following:

[7] TX. Local Gov't Code §399.009(b).

(1) verification that the person requesting to participate in the program is the legal record owner of the benefitted property,

(2) the applicant is current on mortgage and property tax payments,

(3) the applicant is not insolvent or in bankruptcy proceedings,

(4) the title of the benefitted property is not in dispute,

(5) there is a method for determining an appropriate ratio of the amount of the assessment to the assessed value of the property in accordance with the most current Texas PACE in a Box model program, and

(6) the Local Government determines that to be eligible for PACE financing, the project's projected savings derived from the Qualified Improvement must be greater than the cost of the PACE assessment and lien over the life of the assessment (i.e., the Savings to Investment Ratio (SIR) should be greater than one, SIR>1), subject to the most current PACE in a Box requirements.

m. Mortgage Holder Notice and Consent. As a condition to the execution of a written contract between the Authorized Representative and the property owner imposing an assessment under the program, the holder of any mortgage lien on the property must be given notice of the owner's intention to participate in the program on or before the 30th day before the date the contract is executed, and the owner must obtain the written consent of all mortgage holders.[8]

n. Imposition of Assessment. The Authorized Representative will enter into a written contract with the property owner, only after:

(1) The property owner delivers to the Authorized Representative written consent of all mortgage lien holders;

(2) The Authorized Representative's determination that the owner and the property are eligible to participate in the program, that the proposed improvements are reasonably likely to decrease energy or water consumption or demand, and that the period of the requested assessment does not exceed the useful life of the Qualified Improvements; and

(3) The Eligible Lender notifies the Authorized Representative that the owner has demonstrated the financial ability to fulfill the financial obligations to be repaid through contractual assessments.

The contract will impose a contractual assessment on the owner's Eligible Property to repay the lender's financing of the Qualified Improvements. The Authorized Representative will file "A Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien," in substantially the

[8] TX. Local Gov't Code §399.010.

form in Exhibit 4 in the Official Public Records of the County in which the property is located, to serve as notice to the public of the assessment, from the date of filing. The contract and the notice must contain the amount of the assessment, the legal description of the property, the name of the property owner, and a reference to the statutory assessment lien provided under the PACE Act.

o. Collection of Assessments. The execution of the written contract between the Local Government and the property owner and recording of the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien incorporate the terms of the financing documents executed between the property owner and the lender to repay the financing secured by the assessment. The third-party lender will advance financing to the owner, and the terms for repayment will be such terms as are agreed between the lender and the owner. Under the form lender contract attached as Exhibit 3, the lender or a designated servicer will agree to service the debt secured by the assessment.

With funds from the lender, the property owner can purchase directly the equipment and materials for the Qualified Improvement and contract directly, including through lease, power purchase agreement, or other service contract, for the installation or modification of the Qualified Improvements. Alternatively, the lender may make progress payments to the property owner as the Qualified Improvement is installed.

The lender will receive the owner's assessment payments to repay the debt and remit to the Authorized Representative any administrative fees. The lender will have the right to assign or transfer the right to receive the installments of the debt secured by the assessment, provided all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The assignment or transfer is made to an Eligible Lender, as defined above;

(2) The property owner and the Authorized Representative are notified in writing of the assignment or transfer and the address to which payment of the future installments should be mailed at least 30 days before the next installment is due according to the schedule for repayment of the debt; and

(3) The assignee or transferee, by operation of the financing documents or otherwise, written evidence of which shall be provided, assumes lender's obligations under the lender contract.

p. Verification Review. After a Qualified Improvement is completed, the Authorized Representative will require the property owner to provide verification by a qualified independent third-party reviewer that the Qualified Improvement was properly completed and is operating as intended.[9] The verification report conclusively

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[9] TX Local Gov't Code §399.011.

establishes that the improvement is a Qualified Improvement and the project is qualified under the PACE program.[10]

q. Marketing and Education Services. The Program Administrator will provide online service provider training for contractors, engineers, property managers and other stakeholders, provide outreach and education for all stakeholders including presentations, conference booths and individual meetings, and provide written and electronic materials such as case studies, flyers, and webinars.

r. The Local Government may subsequently enter into agreements with one or more other local governments or non-profit organizations that promote energy and water conservation and/or economic development to provide marketing and education services for the PACE program.

s. Quality Assurance and Anti-Fraud Measures. The Authorized Representative will institute quality assurance and anti-fraud measures for the Program. The Authorized Representative will review each PACE application for completeness and supporting documents through independent review and verification procedures. The application and required attachments will identify and supply the information necessary to ensure that the property owner, the property itself, and the proposed project all satisfy PACE program underwriting and technical standard requirements. Measures will be

[10] TX Local Government Code §399.011(a-1)

put in place to provide safeguards, including a review of the energy and water savings baseline and certification of compliance with the technical standards manual from an independent third-party reviewer (ITPR), who must be a registered professional engineer, before the project can proceed. This review will include a site visit, report, and a letter from the ITPR certifying that he or she has no financial interest in the project and is an independent reviewer. After the construction of the project is complete, an ITPR will conduct a final site inspection and determine whether the project was completed and is operating properly. The reviewer's certification will also include a statement that the reviewer is qualified and has no financial interest in the project.

t. Delinquency. Under the terms of the form lender contract attached as Exhibit 3, if a property owner fails to pay an agreed installment when due on the PACE assessment, the lender agrees to take at least the following steps to collect the delinquent Installment:

(1) Mail a written notice of delinquency and demand for payment to the property owner. Lender shall mail a copy of the first notice of delinquency to the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, to HUD if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project; and to Freddie Mac if the lien is held by Freddie Mac.

(2) Mail a second notice of delinquency and demand for payment to the property owner at least 30 days after the date of the first notice if the delinquency is continuing; and lender shall also mail a copy of the second notice of delinquency to the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, to HUD if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, and to Freddie Mac if the lien is held by Freddie Mac.

The holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the property, HUD, if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, and Freddie Mac if the mortgage lien is held by Freddie Mac, shall have not less than a 60-day notice and right to cure the delinquency by paying the amount of the delinquent Installment.

If Property Owner or other parties with the right to cure under this contract fails to cure the delinquency on or before the 30th day after the mailing of the second notice of delinquency, lender or its designee may notify Authorized Representative in writing of a default in payment by Property Owner. Upon receipt of such notice and after doing its own due diligence, Authorized Representative shall certify the default to Local Government, which shall then enforce the assessment lien for the benefit of lender pursuant to Sec. 399.014(c) of the PACE Act, in the same manner as a property tax lien against real property may be enforced. However, if a case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code is filed by or against Property Owner or if the enforcement of the assessment lien is prevented by the order of a court, Local Government shall notify Authorized Representative and shall file a proof of claim for the balance of the Assessment, accrued interest and penalties, and all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, as authorized by Section 399.014 of the PACE Act. Lender shall reimburse Local Government for any costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, required to file and present the claim.

EXHIBIT 1

MAP OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY PACE REGION

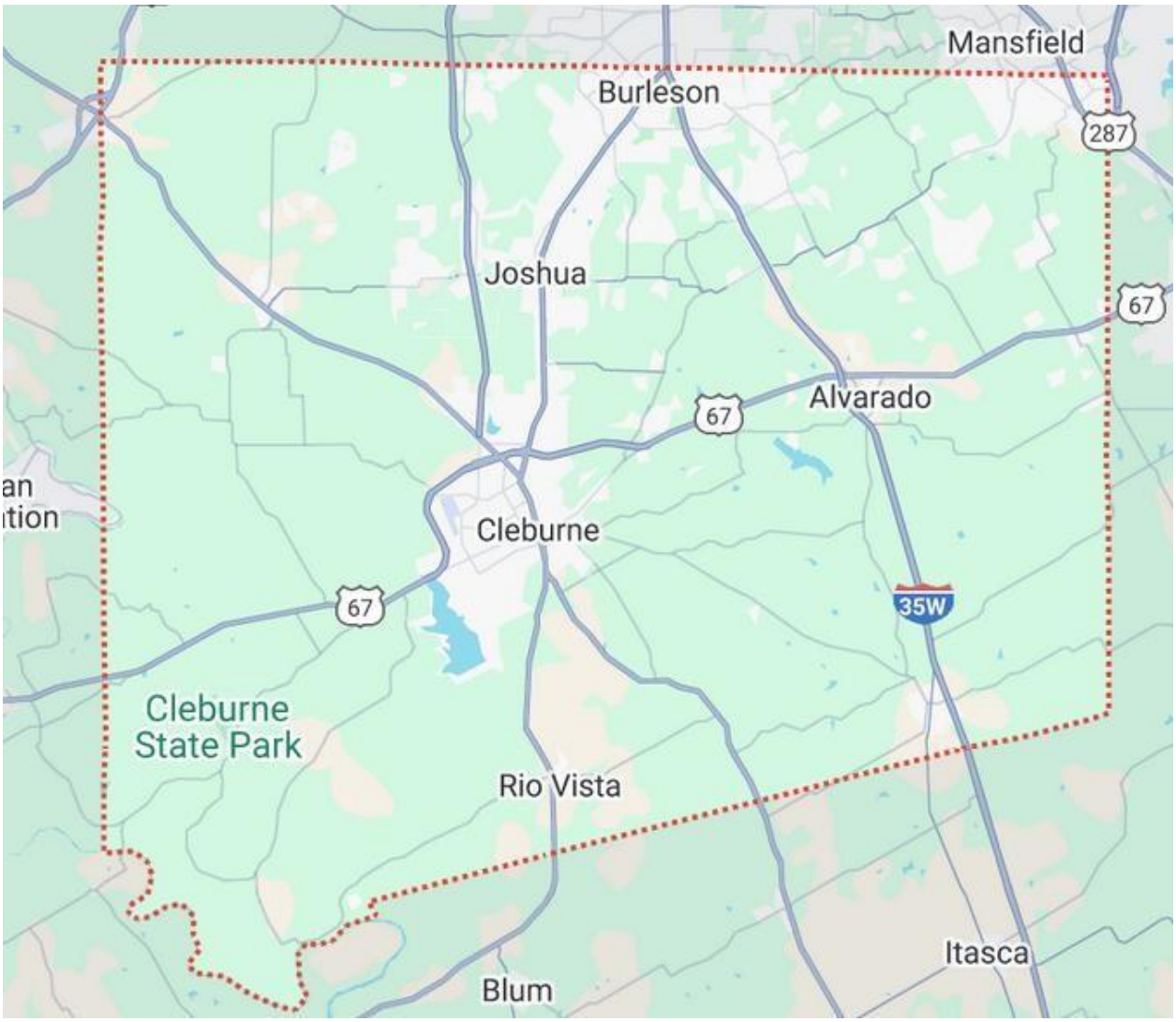


EXHIBIT 2

FORM OWNER CONTRACT

FORM PACE OWNER CONTRACT

THIS PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ("PACE") OWNER CONTRACT including the attached exhibits ("**PACE Owner Contract**") is made as of the _____ day of _____, _____ (**"Effective Date"**), by and between Johnson County, Texas ("**Local Government**"), and _____ ("**Property Owner**"). Local Government and Property Owner are hereafter referred to collectively as "the parties" or individually as "party."

RECITALS

A. The Property Assessed Clean Energy Act ("**PACE Act**"), Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399, authorizes the governing body of a local government to establish a program and designate a region within the local government's jurisdiction within which an authorized representative of the local government may enter into written contracts with the record owners of privately owned commercial, industrial, and large multifamily residential (5 or more dwelling units) real property to impose assessments on the property to finance the cost of permanent improvements fixed to the property intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand.

B. Local Government has established a program under the PACE Act pursuant to a resolution dated _____, adopted by Johnson County ("**PACE Program**"), and has designated Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority as the representative of Local Government ("**Authorized Representative**") authorized to enter into the written contracts with the owners of such property and the providers of such financing described herein, and has designated the entire territory within the boundaries of Johnson County, Texas jurisdiction as a region (the **"Region"**) within which the Authorized Representative and the record owners of such real property may enter into written contracts to impose assessments to repay the financing by owners of qualified improvements on the owner's property pursuant to the PACE Program.

C. Property Owner is the sole legal and record owner of the qualified "real property," as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act, within the Region located at _____, _____, Texas _____-____ (the "**Property**") (the Property being more particularly described in the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien, attached hereto as Exhibit A).

D. Pursuant to Project Application Number _____, Property Owner has applied to Local Government to participate in the PACE Program by installing or modifying on the Property certain permanent improvements which are intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand, and which are or will be fixed to the Property as "qualified improvements", as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act ("**Qualified Improvements**").

The installation or modification of such Qualified Improvements on the Property will be a "qualified project" as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act (the "**Project**"). Property Owner has requested that Local Government enter into this PACE Owner Contract pursuant to the PACE Act and the PACE Program and has requested Local Government to impose an assessment (the "**Assessment**") on the Property as set forth in the Notice Of Contractual Assessment Lien Pursuant To Property Assessed Clean Energy Act to be filed in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located (the "**Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien**"), to repay the financing of such Qualified Improvements. A copy of the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. The Property, Qualified Improvements and Assessment are more fully described in the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien.

E. Financing for the Project ("**Financing**") shall be provided to Property Owner by _____ ("**Lender**"), a qualified lender selected by Property Owner, pursuant to a written contract executed by Lender and Local Government as required by Section 399.006(c) of the PACE Act (the "**PACE Lender Contract**"). The financing includes only those costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed under Section 399.006(e) of the PACE Act. Local Government has agreed to maintain and continue the Assessment for the benefit of Lender until the Financing, all contractual interest due to Lender (**"Contractual Interest**"), any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees, and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act are paid in full and to release the Assessment upon notice from Lender of such payment, or to foreclose the lien securing the Assessment for the benefit of Lender upon notice from Lender of a default in payment by Property Owner.

F. As required by Section 399.010 of the PACE Act, Property Owner represents and warrants that it has notified the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property at least thirty (30) days prior to the Effective Date of this PACE Owner Contract of Property Owner's intention to participate in the PACE Program. The written consent of each mortgage holder to the Assessment was obtained on or prior to the Effective Date of this PACE Owner Contract and is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part hereof (**"Lender Consent(s)"**).

AGREEMENT

The parties agree as follows:

1. Imposition of Assessment. In consideration for the Financing advanced or to be advanced to Property Owner by Lender for the Project under the PACE Program pursuant to the PACE Lender Contract, Property Owner hereby requests and agrees to the imposition by Local Government of the Assessment in the principal amount of $_____, as set forth in the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien. In the event the actual total of costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed under the PACE Act is different from the stated amount or any other term requires correction, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government, Property Owner, and Lender agree to execute an amended Owner Contract and Lender Contract, and thereafter Authorized Representative shall record an amended Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien. The Assessment includes the application and administration fees authorized by

the PACE Program and Section 399.006(e) of the PACE Act. Property Owner promises and agrees to pay the Assessment, Contractual Interest thereon, any prepayment penalty, and all penalties, interest, fees, attorney's fees, and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act and the financing documents executed between Property Owner and Lender (the "**Financing Documents**") described in or copies of which are attached as Exhibit C attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference. Property Owner shall pay such amount in care of or as directed by Lender, in satisfaction of the Assessment imposed pursuant to this PACE Owner Contract and the PACE Act. Accordingly, Local Government hereby imposes the Assessment on the Property to pay the Financing of the Project, Contractual Interest, any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act and the Financing Documents, in accordance with the requirements of the PACE Program and the provisions of the PACE Act.

2. Maintenance and Enforcement of Assessment. In consideration for Lender's agreement to advance Financing to Property Owner for the Project pursuant to the Financing Documents, Local Government agrees to maintain and continue the Assessment on the Property for the benefit of Lender until the Assessment, Contractual Interest, any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees, attorney's fees, and costs, due under or authorized by the PACE Act, PACE Program, and the Financing Documents are paid in full, and to release the Assessment upon notice from Lender of such payment. Upon written request of Lender, and with the written consent of Property Owner, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government may execute a partial release of the assessment lien and record the partial release. Local Government agrees to enforce the assessment lien against the Property at the request of Lender in the event of a default in payment by Property Owner, in accordance with the provisions set forth in paragraph 5. Authorized Representative shall deliver an annual notice of assessment to Property Owner by firstclass mail or electronic mail each year until the Assessment is released. Any failure of Local Government or Authorized Representative to deliver an annual notice of assessment to Property Owner shall not affect the Assessment or Property's Owner's obligations under this PACE Owner Contract.

3. Installments. The Assessment and Contractual Interest thereon are due and payable to Lender in installments ("**Installments**"), according to the payment schedule set forth in the Financing Documents attached hereto as Exhibit C. The Assessment includes (1) an application fee paid by Property Owner to Authorized Representative at closing of the Financing, and (2) a recurring administration fee paid by Property Owner to Authorized Representative until the Assessment is released. The recurring administration fee amount shall be collected by Lender and paid to Authorized Representative not later than thirty (30) days after receipt by Lender, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Authorized Representative.

(a) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a delinquency in the payment of any Installment, Lender shall, upon notice to Authorized Representative, withhold payment of any administration fee due to Authorized Representative in connection with such Installment until the Installment is paid. Property Owner agrees that any such temporary withholding shall not reduce the amount of the administration fees included in

the Assessment or due to Authorized Representative. The amounts due to Authorized Representative are identified in Exhibit C hereto.

(b) If this is a US Department of Housing and Urban Development (**"HUD"**) assisted or a Federal Housing Administration (**"FHA"**) insured Project, then the Financing Documents shall provide for Installments to be escrowed in a manner acceptable to HUD or FHA lender and paid to Lender.

(c) When the Assessment, Contractual Interest, any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act and the Financing Documents, have been paid in full, Local Government's rights under this PACE Owner Contract shall cease and terminate, except for rights under Sections 18, 20, 21 and 22. Upon notice from Lender that all amounts due have been paid in full, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government, shall execute a release of the Assessment and this PACE Owner Contract and record the release. As required by Section 399.009(a)(8) of the PACE Act, the period during which such Installments are payable does not exceed the useful life of the Project.

4. Assignment of Right to Receive Installments or Require Enforcement of Lien. Property Owner acknowledges that Lender has the right, without the consent of Property Owner, to assign or transfer the right to receive the Installments or require Local Government to enforce the assessment lien in the event of a default in payment, together with all corresponding obligations, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The assignment or transfer is made to a qualified lender as defined in the PACE Lender Contract;

(b) Property Owner, Authorized Representative, the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, and HUD, if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project are notified in writing of the assignment or transfer and the address to which payment of the future Installments should be mailed not less than 30 days before the next Installment is due according to the payment schedule included in the Financing Documents, and

(c) The assignee or transferee executes a written assumption agreement according to the Financing Documents of all of Lender's rights and obligations under the PACE Lender Contract related to the receipt of the Installments or the enforcement of the assessment lien and provides a copy of such assumption to Property Owner and Authorized Representative not later than 10 days after execution of the agreement.

Lender may assign or transfer the right to receive the Installments or the right to require enforcement of the assessment lien separately. Upon written notice of an assignment or transfer that complies with all of the foregoing conditions, the assignor shall be released of all of the rights and obligations of the Lender under such PACE Lender Contract accruing after the effective date of the assignment that are specified in the assignment or transfer document, and all of such rights and obligations shall be assumed by and transferred to the assignee. Any attempt to assign or

transfer the right to receive the Installments or require enforcement of the Assessment lien that does not comply with all of the foregoing conditions is void. Lender shall retain all of the rights and obligations of Lender under the PACE Lender Contract until such rights and obligations are assigned or transferred according to this section.

5. Lien Priority and Enforcement. Pursuant to Sections 399.014 and 399.015 of the PACE Act:

(a) Delinquent Installments shall incur penalties and interest on the principal of the Installment in the same manner and in the same amount as delinquent property taxes, pursuant to the statutes in effect at the time of default. Under current statutes, a delinquent Installment incurs a penalty of 6% of the principal amount of the Installment for the first calendar month it is delinquent plus 1% for each additional month or portion of a month the Installment remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. However, an Installment delinquent on July 1 incurs a total penalty of 12% of the principal amount of the delinquent Installment without regard to the number of months it has been delinquent. A delinquent Installment shall also accrue interest on the principal of the Installment at the rate of 1% for each month or portion of a month that the Installment remains unpaid. Subject to paragraph 16 below, penalties, interest, fees, and costs payable under this paragraph shall be retained by Local Government to compensate it for the cost of enforcing the Assessment. Additional interest at any default rate imposed by Lender pursuant to the Financing Documents, along with any other fees that become due pursuant to the Financing Documents, may be imposed and retained by Lender.

(b) The Assessment and any interest and penalties thereon,

(1) are a first and prior lien against the Property from the date on which the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located as provided by Section 399.013 of the PACE Act, until the Assessment, interest, and penalty is paid; and

(2) such lien has the same priority status as a lien for any other ad valorem tax, pursuant to Section 399.014(a)(2) of the PACE Act.

(c) Pursuant to Section 399.014(b) of the PACE Act, the lien created by the Assessment runs with the land, and any portion of the Assessment that has not yet become due shall not be eliminated by sale or transfer of the Property, or by foreclosure of (i) a property tax lien, or (ii) the lien for a delinquent Installment of the Assessment. Accordingly, Installments may not be accelerated in the event of default. In the event of a sale or transfer of the Property by Property Owner, the obligation for the Assessment and the Property Owner's obligations under the Financing Documents shall be transferred to the succeeding owner without recourse to Lender, Local Government, or Authorized Representative.

(d) In the event of a default by Property Owner in payment of an Installment called for by the Financing Documents or the filing of a case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code by or against Property Owner, the lien created by the Assessment shall be enforced by Local Government for the benefit of Lender, in the same manner according to Texas Tax Code Secs. 33.41 to 34.23 that a property tax lien against real property may be enforced by a local government, to the extent the enforcement is consistent with Section 50, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

(e) In a suit to collect a delinquent Installment of the Assessment, Local Government shall be entitled to recover costs and expenses, including attorney's fees in the amount of 15% of the total principal amount of the delinquent Installment, penalties, and interest due, in the same manner according to Texas Tax Code Sec. 33.48, as amended from time-to-time, as in a suit to collect a delinquent property tax. Lender shall be entitled to any additional sums due to it under the Financing Documents in connection with a suit to collect a delinquent Installment of the Assessment.

(f) As provided in Section 399.014(a-1) of the PACE Act, after the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located, the lien created by the Assessment may not be contested on the basis that the improvement is not a "qualified improvement" or the Project is not a "qualified project", as such terms are defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act.

6. Written Contract Required by PACE Act. This PACE Owner Contract constitutes a written contract for the Assessment between Property Owner and Local Government as required by Section 399.005 of the PACE Act. The Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien shall be recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located as public notice of the contractual Assessment, in accordance with the requirements of Section 399.013 of the PACE Act.

7. Qualified Improvements. Property Owner agrees and warrants that all improvements purchased, constructed, or installed through the Financing obtained pursuant to this PACE Owner Contract shall be permanently affixed to the Property and shall transfer with the Property to the transferee in the event of a sale or transfer of the Property. Property Owner agrees to provide to Authorized Representative within 30 days after the completion of the Project a

verification by an Independent Third Party Reviewer (**"ITPR"**) that the Project was properly completed and is operating as intended. Property Owner agrees that Lender may retain the final advance of Financing until such verification is submitted or require Property Owner to pay liquidated damages for a failure to do so, according to paragraph 23 below.

8. Water or Energy Savings. For so long as the Assessment encumbers the Property, Property Owner agrees, on or before January 31st of each year, to report to Authorized Representative the water or energy savings realized through the Project in accordance with the reporting requirements established by Authorized Representative.

9. Construction and Definitions. This PACE Owner Contract is to be construed in accordance with and with reference to the PACE Program and PACE Act. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the PACE Program or the PACE Act.

10. Binding Effect. This PACE Owner Contract is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, representatives, agents, successors, and assigns.

11. Notices. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, all notices and other communications required or permitted by this PACE Owner Contract shall be in writing and delivered by first-class mail or by electronic mail with written confirmation of receipt, addressed to the other party at the address stated below the signature of such party or at such other address as such party may from time to time designate in writing to the other party, and shall be effective from the date of receipt.

12. Governing Law and Venue. This PACE Owner Contract shall in all respects be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas without regard to Texas' choice of law provisions. Venue for any disputes or suits between the parties arising from or related to this PACE Owner Contract shall be in a state court located in the Region, and the parties consent to the personal and subject matter jurisdiction of such state court.

13. Entire Agreement. This PACE Owner Contract, including its exhibits, constitutes the entire agreement between Local Government and Property Owner with respect to the subject matter hereof and may not be amended or altered in any manner except by a document in writing executed by both parties. If this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, then HUD or FHA must also consent in writing to any amendment or alteration of this PACE Owner Contract, for as long as the Project remains HUD assisted or FHA insured.

14. Captions. Paragraph and section titles are for convenience of reference only and shall not be of any legal effect.

15. Counterparts. This PACE Owner Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each counterpart may be delivered on paper or by electronic transmission, all of which when taken together shall constitute one agreement binding on the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatories to the same counterpart.

16. Interest. Interest and penalties in the event of default, as provided above, are explicitly authorized by Section 399.014(d) of the PACE Act. However, in no event will the total amount of interest on the Assessment, including statutory interest payable to Local Government and Contractual Interest payable to Lender under the Financing Documents, exceed the maximum amount or rate of nonusurious interest that may be contracted for, charged, or collected under Texas law (**"Usury Limit"**). If the total amount of interest payable to Local Government and Contractual Interest payable to Lender exceeds the Usury Limit, the interest payable to Local Government shall be reduced and any interest in excess of the Usury Limit shall be credited to the amount payable

to Local Government or refunded. This provision overrides any conflicting provisions in this PACE Owner Contract.

17. Costs. No provision of this PACE Owner Contract shall require Local Government to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder.

18. Inspection and Audits. Local Government's representatives may perform, or have performed, (a) audits of Property Owner's documents, books and records, and (b) inspections of all places where Qualified Improvements are undertaken in connection with this PACE Owner Contract. Property Owner shall keep its documents, books and records available for this purpose for at least three (3) years after this PACE Owner Contract terminates. This provision does not affect the applicable statute of limitations.

19. Further Assurances. Property Owner further covenants and agrees to do, execute and deliver, or cause to be done, executed, and delivered all such further acts for implementing the intention of this PACE Owner Contract as may be reasonably necessary or required.

20. Release. PROPERTY OWNER AGREES TO AND SHALL RELEASE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY THE "RELEASED PERSONS") FROM ALL LIABILITY FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS PACE OWNER CONTRACT, EVEN IF THE INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS IS CAUSED BY THE RELEASED PERSON'S SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE AND/OR THE RELEASED PERSON'S STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY, AND EVEN IF THE INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE OR LOSS IS CAUSED BY THE RELEASED PERSON'S WRONGFUL ACTION OR INACTION.

21. Indemnification. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, PROPERTY OWNER SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS (EACH SUCH PERSON HEREIN REFERRED TO AS AN "INDEMNITEE") ABSOLUTELY HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITIES, LOSSES, DAMAGES, OBLIGATIONS OR RELATED EXPENSES INCURRED BY OR IMPOSED UPON OR ALLEGED TO BE DUE OF INDEMNITEE IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION OR DELIVERY OF THIS PACE OWNER CONTRACT, THE NOTICE OF CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT LIEN, THE FINANCING DOCUMENTS, AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENT OR ANY OTHER AGREEMENT OR INSTRUMENT CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY, THE PERFORMANCE BY THE PARTIES HERETO OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER OR THEREUNDER, THE CONSUMMATION OF THE TRANSACTIONS

CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY, OR, IN THE CASE OF ANY INDEMNITEE, THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PACE OWNER CONTRACT AND ANY OTHER AGREEMENTS RELATED TO THE PROJECT. However, If HUD later acquires title to all or any portion of Property pursuant to a foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure, or otherwise, then notwithstanding anything in this PACE Owner Contract to the contrary, HUD shall not be obligated to indemnify any Indemnitee or entity or be liable for, or to carry out, any indemnity.

22. No Personal Liability. Pursuant to Section 399.019 of the PACE Act, the Property Owner acknowledges that the members of the governing body and employees of the Local Government, and board members, executives, employees, and contractors of the Authorized Representative are not personally liable as a result of exercising any rights or responsibilities under the PACE Program or any agreement in furtherance of the PACE Program.

23. Construction Terms. The Financing Documents executed by Lender and Property Owner must include a requirement that Lender shall withhold _____% of the Financing until verification that the Project was properly completed and is operating as intended is provided to Authorized Representative by an ITPR or Property Owner shall pay liquidated damages to Lender of $_____ per day for every day after 30 days following completion of the Project that such verification of completion is not provided. If verification of completion is not provided by Property Owner within 30 days after completion of the Project, such verification shall be submitted by
Lender. If the PACE Lender Contract includes requirements related to the construction of the Project and disbursement of Financing, such requirements are set forth in Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Such requirements may include, among other things, (1) the disbursement schedule and (2) any holdback amount to be funded following verification of final Project completion.

PROPERTY OWNER:

_____

By: _____

Name:

_____

Title: _____

Address: _____

_____

Email Address: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF _____ §

COUNTY OF _____ §

This PACE Owner Contract pursuant to Property Assessed Clean Energy Act was acknowledged before me on _____, _____ by _____, _____, on behalf of _____.

_____

_____(print name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

JOHNSON COUNTY

By: TEXAS PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY
dba TEXAS PACE AUTHORITY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
Pursuant to Tex. Local Gov't Code §399.006(b)

By: _____

Name: WILLIAM EARL TAYLOR

Title: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

Address: PO BOX 200368
AUSTIN, TX 78720-0368

Email Address: admin@texaspaceauthority.org

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF _____ §

This PACE Owner Contract pursuant to Property Assessed Clean Energy Act was acknowledged before me on _____, 20__ by William Earl Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority, a Texas nonprofit corporation, on behalf of said corporation and as Authorized Representative for the Local Government.

_____

_____ (print name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

SIGNATURE PAGE TO PACE OWNER CONTRACT [2 OF 2]

PACE OWNER CONTRACT EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT LIEN
PURSUANT TO
PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ACT

PACE OWNER CONTRACT EXHIBIT B

LENDER CONSENT(S)

PACE OWNER CONTRACT EXHIBIT C

FINANCING DOCUMENTS

Assessment Payment Schedule

Assessment Total: Payment Frequency:

Payment Date	Total Payment	Principal Paid	Interest Paid	Administration Fee	Remaining Balance

PACE OWNER CONTRACT EXHIBIT D

Financing Documents

Document Title	Parties	Date Executed

CONSTRUCTION TERMS

Retainage or Liquidated Damages:

Lender shall retain _____% of the Financing until a report of completion by a qualified Independent Third Party Reviewer ("ITPR") is provided to Authorized Representative.

OR

Property Owner shall pay liquidated damages to Lender of $_____ per day for every day after 30 days following completion of the Project that such a report of completion is not provided. Lender shall then provide the report of completion to Authorized Representative.

PACE OWNER CONTRACT EXHIBIT E

Additional Construction Terms

Date	Draw down Amount	Purpose

EXHIBIT 3

FORM LENDER CONTRACT

v. 2025-01

FORM PACE LENDER CONTRACT

THIS PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ("PACE") LENDER CONTRACT including the attached exhibit ("**PACE Lender Contract**") is made as of the _____ day of _____, _____, (**"Effective Date"**) by and between Johnson County, Texas ("**Local Government**") and _____ ("**Lender**"). Local Government and Lender are hereafter referred to collectively as "the parties" or individually as "party."

RECITALS

A. The Property Assessed Clean Energy Act ("**PACE Act**"), Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399, authorizes the governing body of a local government to establish a program and designate a region within the local government's jurisdiction within which an authorized representative of the local government may enter into written contracts with the record owners of privately owned commercial, industrial, and large multifamily residential (5 or more dwelling units) real property to impose assessments on the property to finance the cost of permanent improvements fixed to the property intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand.

B. Local Government has established a program under the PACE Act pursuant to a resolution dated _____, adopted by Johnson County ("**PACE Program**"), and has designated Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority as the representative of Local Government ("**Authorized Representative**") authorized to enter into the written contracts with the owners of such property and the providers of such financing described herein, and has designated the entire territory within the boundaries of Johnson County Texas jurisdiction as a region (the "**Region**") within which the Authorized Representative and the record owners of such real property may enter into written contracts to impose assessments to repay the financing by owners of qualified improvements on the owner's property pursuant to the PACE Program.

C. Pursuant to Project Application Number _____, _____ ("**Property Owner**"), the sole legal and record owner of the following qualified "real property," as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act, within the Region has applied to Local Government to participate in the PACE Program with respect to certain real property located at _____, _____, Texas, _____-____ (the "**Property**") (the Property being more particularly described in the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien, attached hereto as Exhibit A to the PACE Owner Contract which appears below as Exhibit A to this PACE Lender Contract) by installing or modifying on the Property certain permanent improvements which are intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand, and which are or will be fixed to the

Property as "qualified improvements", as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act ("**Qualified Improvements**"). The installation or modification of such Qualified Improvements on the Property will be a "qualified project" as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act (the "**Project**").

D. Property Owner and Local Government have entered into a written contract as required by Section 399.005 of the PACE Act, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof (the "**PACE Owner Contract**"), in which Property Owner has requested that Local Government impose an assessment (the "**Assessment**") on the Property as set forth in the Notice Of Contractual Assessment Lien Pursuant To Property Assessed Clean Energy Act to be filed in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located (the "**Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien**"), to repay the financing of such Qualified Improvements. A copy of the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is attached as Exhibit A to the PACE Owner Contract which appears below as Exhibit A to this PACE Lender Contract and made a part hereof. The Property, Qualified Improvements, and Assessment are more fully described in the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien.

E. Financing for the Project ("**Financing**") shall be provided to Property Owner by Lender in accordance with financing documents which are described in or copies of which are attached as Exhibit C to the PACE Owner Contract attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof ("**Financing Documents**"). Such Financing includes only those costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed under Section 399.006(e) of the PACE Act. This PACE Lender Contract is entered into between Local Government and Lender as required by Section 399.006(c) of the PACE Act to provide for repayment of the Financing secured by the Assessment.

F. As required by Section 399.010 of the PACE Act, Property Owner has notified the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the PACE Owner Contract of Property Owner's intention to participate in the PACE Program. The written consent of each mortgage lien holder to the Assessment was obtained on or prior to the effective date of the PACE Owner Contract, as shown by the copy of such consent(s) attached as Exhibit B to the PACE Owner Contract which appears below as Exhibit A to this PACE Lender Contract (**"Lender Consent(s)"**).

AGREEMENT

The parties agree as follows:

1. Maintenance and Enforcement of Assessment. Lender agrees to provide Financing for the Project in the total principal amount of $_____, according to the terms set out in the Financing Documents attached hereto as Exhibit C to the PACE Owner Contract attached as Exhibit A. In the event the actual total of costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed under the PACE Act is different from the stated amount or any other term requires correction, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government, Property Owner, and Lender agree to execute an amended Owner Contract and Lender Contract, and thereafter Authorized Representative shall record an amended Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien. In consideration

for the Financing provided or to be provided by Lender for the Project, and subject to the terms and conditions of this PACE Lender Contract, Local Government agrees to maintain and continue the Assessment for the benefit of Lender until the Assessment, all contractual interest due to Lender according to the Financing Documents (**"Contractual Interest"**), any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees, attorney's fees, and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act and the Financing Documents are paid in full, and to release the Assessment upon notice from Lender of such payment in full. Local Government shall not release, sell, assign or transfer the Assessment or the lien securing it without the prior written consent of Lender. Upon written request of Lender, and with the written consent of Property Owner, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government may execute a partial release of the assessment lien and record the partial release. Local Government agrees to enforce the assessment lien against the Property at the request of Lender in the event of a default in payment by Property Owner in accordance with the provisions set forth in paragraph 6 below. Local Government shall have no obligation to repurchase the Assessment and no liability to Lender should there be a default in the payment thereof or should there be any other loss or expense suffered by Lender or under any other circumstances.

2. Installments. The Assessment and Contractual Interest thereon are due and payable to Lender in installments (**"Installments"**) according to the payment schedule set forth in the Financing Documents attached hereto as Exhibit C to the PACE Owner Contract attached as Exhibit A. The Assessment includes (1) an application fee paid by Property Owner to Authorized Representative at closing of the Financing and (2) a recurring administration fee paid by Property Owner to Authorized Representative until the Assessment is released. The recurring administration fee amount shall be collected by Lender and paid to Authorized Representative not later than thirty (30) days after receipt by Lender, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Authorized Representative. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of delinquency in the payment of any Installment, Lender shall, upon notice to Authorized Representative, withhold payment of any amounts due to Authorized Representative in connection with such Installment until the Installment is paid. Lender agrees that any such temporary withholding shall not reduce the amount of administration fees included in the Assessment or due to Authorized Representative. The amounts due to Authorized Representative are identified in Exhibit C to the PACE Owner Contract attached hereto as Exhibit A. As required by Section 399.009(a)(8) of the PACE Act, the period during which such Installments are payable does not exceed the useful life of the Project.

3. Assignment of Right to Receive Installments or Require Enforcement of Lien. Lender has the right, without the consent of Property Owner, to assign or transfer the right to receive the Installments or require Local Government to enforce the assessment lien in the event of a default in payment, together with the corresponding obligations, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The assignment or transfer is made to a qualified lender, which may be one of the following:

(1) Any federally insured depository institution such as a bank, savings bank, savings and loan association and federal or state credit union;

(2) Any insurance company authorized to conduct business in one or more states;

(3) Any registered investment company, registered business development company, or a Small Business Administration small business investment company;

(4) Any publicly traded entity; or

(5) Any private entity that:

(i) Has a minimum net worth of $5 million;

(ii) Has at least three years' experience in business or industrial lending or commercial real estate lending (including multifamily lending), or has a lending officer that has at least three years' experience in business or industrial lending or commercial real estate lending;

(iii) Can provide independent certification as to availability of funds; and

(iv) Has the ability to carry out, either directly or through a servicer, the bookkeeping and customer service work necessary to manage the assessment accounts.

(6) A financially stable entity, whether or not from the list above, with the ability to carry out, either directly or through a servicer, the obligations of this PACE Lender Contract related to the receipt and accounting of the Installments or the enforcement of the assessment lien.

(b) Lender shall notify Property Owner and Authorized Representative in writing of the assignment or transfer and the address to which payment of the future Installments should be mailed not less than 30 days before the next Installment is due according to the payment schedule included in the Financing Documents. The Lender shall also notify the holder(s) of any mortgage lien at the mailing address in the Lender Consent(s), or a subsequent address provided by any mortgage lien holder and, if this is a US Department of Housing and Urban Development (**"HUD"**) assisted or a Federal Housing Administration (**"FHA"**) insured Project, at the address below or a subsequent address provided by HUD.

US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Fort Worth Regional Office
307 W. 7th St., Suite 1000 Fort Worth,
Texas 76102

(c) The assignee or transferee shall execute a written assumption agreement according to the Financing Documents of all of Lender's rights and obligations under this PACE Lender Contract related to the receipt of the Installments or enforcement of the assessment lien and provide a copy of such assumption to Property Owner and Authorized Representative not later than 10 days after execution of the agreement. Lender may assign or transfer the right to receive the Installments or the right to require enforcement of the assessment lien separately.

Upon written notice of an assignment or transfer that complies with all of the foregoing conditions, the assignor shall be released of all of the rights and obligations of the Lender under this PACE Lender Contract accruing after the effective date of the assignment that are specified in the assignment or transfer document, and all of such rights and obligations shall be assumed by and transferred to the assignee. Any attempt to assign or transfer the right to receive the Installments or to require enforcement of the assessment lien that does not comply with all of the foregoing conditions is void. Lender shall retain all of the rights and obligations of Lender under this PACE Lender Contract until such rights and obligations are assigned or transferred according to this section.

4. Financing Responsibility. Lender assumes full responsibility for determining the financial ability of the Property Owner to repay the Financing, advancing the funds as set forth in the Financing Documents and performing Lender's obligations and responsibilities thereunder. In the event the assessment lien on the Property is enforced by foreclosure as provided below, Lender shall have no further obligations to Property Owner with respect to the Installments that were the subject of the foreclosure, but Lender shall retain the rights to enforcement of the lien for any Installments that are not eliminated by the foreclosure, and the succeeding owner of the Property shall be subject to such lien.

5. Lien Priority and Enforcement. As provided in the PACE Owner Contract and Sections 399.014 and 399.015 of the PACE Act:

(a) Delinquent Installments shall incur penalties and interest on the principal of the Installment in the same manner and in the same amount as delinquent property taxes, pursuant to the statutes in effect at the time of default. Under the current statutes a delinquent Installment incurs a penalty of 6% of the principal amount of the Installment for the first calendar month it is delinquent plus 1% for each additional month or portion of a month the Installment remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. However, an Installment delinquent on July 1 incurs a total penalty of 12% of the principal amount of the delinquent Installment without regard to the number of months it has been delinquent. A delinquent Installment shall also accrue interest on the principal of the Installment at the rate of 1% for each month or portion of a month that the Installment remains unpaid. Subject to paragraph 17 below, penalties, interest, fees, and costs payable under this paragraph shall be retained by Local Government to compensate it for the cost of enforcing the Assessment. Additional interest at any default rate imposed by Lender pursuant to the Financing Documents, along with any other fees

and charges that become due pursuant to the Financing Documents may be imposed and retained by Lender.

(b) The Assessment and any interest and penalties thereon,

(1) are a first and prior lien against the Property from the date on which the Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located, as provided by Section 399.013 of the PACE Act, until the Assessment, interest, and penalty is paid; and

(2) such lien has the same priority status as a lien for any other ad valorem tax, pursuant to Section 399.014(a)(2) of the PACE Act.

(c) Pursuant to Section 399.014(b) of the PACE Act, the lien created by the Assessment runs with the land, and any portion of the Assessment that has not yet become due shall not be eliminated by foreclosure of (i) a property tax lien, or (ii) the lien for a delinquent Installment of the Assessment. Accordingly, Installments may not be accelerated in the event of default. In the event of a sale or transfer of the Property by Property Owner, the obligation for the Assessment and the Property Owner's obligations under the Financing Documents shall be transferred to the succeeding owner without recourse to Lender, Local Government or Authorized Representative.

(d) In the event of a default by Property Owner in payment of an Installment called for by the Financing Documents or the filing of a case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code by or against Property Owner, the lien created by the Assessment shall be enforced by Local Government for the benefit of Lender according to paragraph 6(c) below in the same manner according to Texas Tax Code Secs. 33.41 to 34.23 that a property tax lien against real property may be enforced by a local government, to the extent the enforcement is consistent with Section 50, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

(e) In a suit to collect a delinquent Installment of the Assessment, Local Government shall be entitled to recover costs and expenses, including attorney's fees in the amount of 15% of the total principal amount of the delinquent Installment, penalties, and interest due, in the same manner according to Texas Tax Code Sec. 33.48 as in a suit to collect a delinquent property tax. Lender shall be entitled to any additional sums due to it under the Financing Documents in connection with a suit to collect a delinquent Installment of the Assessment.

(f) As provided in Section 399.014(a-1) of the PACE Act, after written notice of the Assessment is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located, the lien created by the Assessment may not be contested on the basis that the improvement is not a "qualified improvement" or the Project is not a "qualified project", as such terms are defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act.

6. Servicing and Enforcement of Assessment.

(a) Servicing. The Installments and other amounts due under the Financing Documents shall be billed, collected, received, and disbursed in accordance with the procedures set out in the Financing Documents. Lender or its designee shall be responsible for all servicing duties other than those specifically undertaken by Local Government in this PACE Lender Contract. If this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, then the Financing Documents (i) shall provide for Installments to be escrowed in a manner acceptable to HUD or FHA lender and paid to Lender, and (ii) not make Installments more frequent than semi-annually. Authorized Representative shall deliver an annual notice of assessment to Property Owner by first-class mail or electronic mail each year until the Assessment is released. Any failure of Local Government or Authorized Representative to deliver an annual notice of assessment to Property Owner shall not affect the Assessment or Property Owner's obligations under the PACE Owner Contract.

(b) Remittances. Each of the parties covenants and agrees to promptly remit to the other party any payments incorrectly received by such party with respect to the Assessment after the execution of this PACE Lender Contract.

(c) Default and Enforcement. In the event of a default in payment of any Installment according to the Financing Documents, Lender agrees to take at least the following steps to collect the delinquent Installment:

(1) Mail a written notice of delinquency and demand for payment to the Property Owner by both certified mail, return receipt requested, and first-class mail. Lender shall mail a copy of the first notice of delinquency to the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, to HUD if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project; and to Freddie Mac if the lien is held by Freddie Mac.

(2) Mail a second notice of delinquency and demand for payment to the Property Owner by both certified mail, return receipt requested, and first-class mail at least 30 days after the date of the first notice if the delinquency is continuing; and Lender shall also mail a copy of the second notice of delinquency to the holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, to HUD if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, and to Freddie Mac if the lien is held by Freddie Mac.

The holder(s) of any mortgage lien on the Property, HUD, if this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, and Freddie Mac if the mortgage lien is held by Freddie Mac, shall have not less than a 60day notice and right to cure the delinquency by paying the amount of the delinquent Installment.

If Property Owner or other parties with the right to cure under this contract fails to cure the delinquency on or before the 30th day after the mailing of the second notice of delinquency, Lender or its designee may notify Authorized Representative in writing of a default in payment by Property Owner. Upon receipt of such notice and after doing its own due diligence, Authorized Representative shall certify the default to Local Government, which shall then enforce the assessment lien for the benefit of Lender pursuant to Sec. 399.014(c) of the PACE Act, in the same manner as a property tax lien against real property may be enforced, to the extent the enforcement

is consistent with Section 50, Article XVI, Texas Constitution. However, if a case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code is filed by or against Property Owner or if the enforcement of the assessment lien is prevented by the order of a court, Local Government shall notify Authorized Representative and shall file a proof of claim for the balance of the Assessment, accrued interest and penalties, and all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, as authorized by Section 399.014 of the PACE Act. Authorized Representative shall notify Lender of the filing of the proof of claim. Lender shall not be required to mail a notice of delinquency to Property Owner or a notice of default to Local Government. Lender shall reimburse Local Government for any costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, required to file and present the claim.

(d) Priority. Pursuant to Sec. 399.014(a)(2) of the PACE Act, if the assessment lien is enforced by foreclosure or collected through a bankruptcy or similar proceeding, the delinquent Installment(s) and any interest, costs, and penalties on them shall have the same priority status as a secured claim for any other ad valorem tax. The parties understand that the assessment lien is a statutory tax lien under Sec. 399.014 of the PACE Act.

(e) Final Payment and Release. When the Assessment, Contractual Interest, any prepayment penalty, and any penalties, interest, fees, attorney fees, and costs due under or authorized by the PACE Act or the Financing Documents have been paid in full, Local Government's rights under the PACE Owner Contract shall cease and terminate. Upon notice from Lender that all amounts due have been paid in full, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government, shall execute a release of the Assessment and the PACE Owner Contract and record the release.

(f) Limitations on Local Government's Actions. Local Government shall not enter into any amendment or modification of or deviation from the PACE Owner Contract without the prior written consent of Lender. Local Government or Authorized Representative shall not institute any legal action with respect to the PACE Owner Contract, the Assessment, or the assessment lien without the prior written request of Lender.

(g) Limitations of Local Government's Obligations. Local Government undertakes to perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in this PACE Lender Contract, and no implied duties on the part of Local Government are to be read into this PACE Lender Contract. Local Government shall not be deemed to have a fiduciary or other similar relationship with Lender. Local Government may request written instructions for action from Lender and refrain from taking action until it receives satisfactory written instructions. Local Government shall have no liability to any person for following such instructions, regardless of whether they are to act or refrain from acting.

(h) Costs. No provisions of this PACE Lender Contract shall require Local Government to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder.

7. Lender's Warranties and Representations. With respect to this PACE Lender Contract, Lender hereby warrants and represents that on the Effective Date of this PACE Lender Contract:

(a) Lender is a qualified lender under the PACE Program, as defined in paragraph 3(a) above, and is fully qualified under the PACE Program to enter into this PACE Lender Contract and the Financing Documents;

(b) Lender has independently and without reliance upon Local Government conducted its own credit evaluation, reviewed such information as it has deemed adequate and appropriate, and made its own analysis of the PACE Owner Contract, the Project, and Property Owner's financial ability to perform the financial obligations set out in the Financing Documents; and

(c) Lender has not relied upon any investigation or analysis conducted by, advice or communication from, or any warranty or representation by Local Government, Authorized Representative, or any agent or employee of Local Government or Authorized Representative, express or implied, concerning the financial condition of the Property Owner or the tax or economic benefits of an investment in the Assessment.

8. Written Contract Required by the PACE Act. This PACE Lender Contract constitutes a written contract between Local Government and Lender, as required under Section 399.006(c) of the PACE Act.

9. Construction and Definitions. This PACE Lender Contract is to be construed in accordance with and with reference to the PACE Program and PACE Act. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the PACE Program, or the PACE Act.

10. Binding Effect. This PACE Lender Contract is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective representatives, agents, successors, and assigns.

11. Notices. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, all notices and other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and delivered by first-class mail or by electronic mail with written confirmation of receipt, addressed to the other party at the address stated below the signature of such party or at such other address as such party may from time to time designate in writing to the other party, and shall be effective from the date of receipt.

12. Governing Law and Venue. This PACE Lender Contract shall in all respects be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas without regard to Texas' choice of law provisions. Venue for any disputes or suits between the parties arising from or

related to this PACE Lender Contract shall be in a state court located in the Region, and the parties consent to the personal and subject matter jurisdiction of such state court.

13. Entire Agreement. This PACE Lender Contract, including its exhibit, constitutes the entire agreement between Local Government and Lender with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall not be amended or altered in any manner except by a document in writing executed by both parties. If this is a HUD assisted or FHA insured Project, then HUD or FHA must also consent in writing to any amendment or alteration of this PACE Lender Contract, for as long as the Project remains HUD assisted or FHA insured.

14. Further Assurances. Lender further covenants and agrees to do, execute and deliver, or cause to be done, executed, and delivered all such further acts for implementing the intention of this PACE Lender Contract as may be reasonably necessary or required.

15. Captions. Paragraph and section titles are for convenience of reference only and shall not be of any legal effect.

16. Counterparts. This PACE Lender Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, and each counterpart may be delivered on paper or by electronic transmission, all of which when taken together shall constitute one agreement binding on the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatories to the same counterpart.

17. Interest. Interest and penalties in the event of default, as provided above, are explicitly authorized by Section 399.014(d) of the PACE Act. However, in no event will the total amount of interest on the Assessment, including statutory interest payable to Local Government and Contractual Interest payable to Lender under the Financing Documents, exceed the maximum amount or rate of nonusurious interest that may be contracted for, charged, or collected under Texas law (the **"Usury Limit"**). If the total amount of interest payable to Local Government and Contractual Interest payable to Lender exceeds the Usury Limit, interest payable to Local Government shall be reduced and any interest in excess of the Usury Limit shall be credited to the amount payable to Local Government or refunded. This provision overrides any conflicting provisions in this PACE Lender Contract.

18. Certification. Local Government certifies that the PACE Program has been duly adopted and is in full force and effect on the Effective Date of this PACE Lender Contract. Property Owner has represented to Lender and Local Government that the Project is a "qualified project" as defined in the PACE Program and Section 399.002 of the PACE Act. The Assessment has been imposed on the Property as a lien in accordance with the PACE Owner Contract and the PACE Act. Local Government has not assigned or transferred any interest in the Assessment or the PACE Owner Contract.

19. Inspection and Audits. Local Government's representatives may perform, or have performed, audits of Lender's documents, books and records. Lender shall keep its documents, books and records available for this purpose for at least three (3) years after this PACE Lender Contract terminates. This provision does not affect the applicable statute of limitations.

20. No Personal Liability. Pursuant to Section 399.019 of the PACE Act, the Lender acknowledges that the members of the governing body and employees of the Local Government, and board members, executives, employees, and contractors of the Authorized Representative are not personally liable as a result of exercising any rights or responsibilities under the PACE Program or any agreement in furtherance of the PACE Program.

21. Construction Terms. The Financing Documents executed by Lender and Property Owner must include a requirement that Lender shall withhold _____% of the Financing until verification is provided to Authorized Representative by an Independent Third Party Reviewer (**"ITPR"**) that the Project was properly completed and is operating as intended, or Property Owner shall pay liquidated damages to Lender of $_____ per day for every day after 30 days following completion of the Project that such verification of completion is not provided. If verification of completion is not provided by Property Owner on or before the 30th day after completion of the Project, such verification shall be submitted by Lender. If this PACE Lender Contract includes any additional requirements related to construction of the Project and disbursement of Financing, such requirements are set forth in Exhibit D of the PACE Owner Contract attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference. Such requirements may include, among other things, (1) the disbursement schedule and (2) any holdback amount to be funded following verification of final Project completion.

LENDER:

_____

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

_____

Address:

Email Address: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF _____ §

COUNTY OF _____ §

This PACE Lender Contract pursuant to Property Assessed Clean Energy Act was acknowledged before me on _____, _____ by _____, _____, on behalf of _____.

_____

_____(print name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

JOHNSON COUNTY

By: TEXAS PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY dba
TEXAS PACE AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
Pursuant to Tex. Local Gov't Code §399.006(b)

By: _____

Name: WILLIAM EARL TAYLOR

Title: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

Address: PO BOX 200368
AUSTIN, TX 78720-0368

Email Address: admin@texaspaceauthority.org

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF _____ §

This PACE Lender Contract pursuant to Property Assessed Clean Energy Act was acknowledged before me on _____, 20__ by William Earl Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority, a Texas nonprofit corporation, on behalf of said corporation and as Authorized Representative for the Local Government.

_____

_____ (print name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

PACE LENDER CONTRACT EXHIBIT A

PACE OWNER CONTRACT

EXHIBIT 4

FORM NOTICE OF CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT LIEN PURSUANT TO PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ACT

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STATE OF TEXAS §
§
COUNTY OF JOHNSON §

RECITALS

A. The Property Assessed Clean Energy Act ("**PACE Act**"), Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399, authorizes the governing body of a local government to establish a program and designate a region within the local government's jurisdiction within which an authorized representative of the local government may enter into written contracts with the record owners of privately owned commercial, industrial, and large multifamily residential (5 or more dwelling units) real property to impose assessments on the property to finance the cost of permanent improvements fixed to the property intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand.

Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms used herein have the same meanings ascribed to them in the PACE Act.

B. Johnson County, Texas ("**Local Government**") has established a program under the PACE Act pursuant to a resolution dated _____, adopted by the Johnson County ("**PACE Program**"), and has designated Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority, as the representative of Local Government ("**Authorized Representative**") authorized to enter into the written contracts with the owners of such property and the providers of such financing described herein, and has designated the entire territory within the boundaries of Johnson County, Texas jurisdiction as a region (the "**Region**") within which the Authorized Representative and the record owners of such real property may enter into written contracts to impose assessments to repay the financing by owners of qualified improvements on the owner's property pursuant to the PACE Program.

C. _____ **("Property Owner")** is the sole legal and record owner of the qualified "real property," as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act, within the Region located at _____, _____, Texas _____-____ and more fully described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (the **"Property**").

D. Property Owner has applied to Local Government to participate in the PACE Program by installing or modifying on the Property certain permanent improvements described in Exhibit B attached hereto and made a part hereof, which are intended to decrease water or energy consumption or demand and which are or will be fixed to the Property as "qualified improvements", as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act ("**Qualified Improvements**"). The installation or modification of such Qualified Improvements on the Property will be a "qualified project" as defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act (the **"Project**"). Property Owner has entered into a written contract (the "**PACE Owner Contract**") with Local Government pursuant to the PACE Act and the PACE Program and has requested Local Government to impose an assessment on the Property to repay the financing of such Qualified Improvements.

E. The financing of such Qualified Improvements shall be provided to Property Owner by _____ ("**Lender**"), a qualified lender selected by Property Owner, pursuant to a written contract executed by Lender and Local Government as required by the PACE Program and Section 399.006(c) of the PACE Act (the "**PACE Lender Contract**"). Lender shall be responsible for all servicing duties other than those specifically undertaken by Local Government in the PACE Lender Contract.

THEREFORE, Local Government hereby gives notice to the public pursuant to Section 399.013 of the PACE Act that it has imposed an assessment on the Property in the principal amount of $_____ (the "**Assessment"**). The Assessment includes only those costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed under Section 399.006(e) of the PACE Act. In the event that the actual total of costs and fees for which an assessment may be imposed is different from the amount stated or any other term requires correction, Authorized Representative on behalf of Local Government, Property Owner, and Lender agree to execute an amended Owner Contract and Lender Contract, and thereafter Authorized Representative shall record an amended Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien.

The Assessment and contractual interest thereon due to the Lender (**"Contractual Interest"**) are due and payable in installments (**"Installments"**) in accordance with the terms and payment schedule included in the financing documents executed between Property Owner and Lender that are described in or copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit C (the **"Financing Documents"**).

Pursuant to Section 399.014 of the PACE Act,

1. The Assessment, including any interest, costs, fees, attorney fees, and penalties accrued thereon,

   (i) are a first and prior lien against the Property from the date on which this Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located, until the Assessment, interest, and penalty is paid; and

   (ii) such lien, if enforced by foreclosure or collected through bankruptcy or similar proceeding, has the same priority status as a lien for any other ad valorem tax, pursuant to Section 399.014(a)(2) of the PACE Act.

2. Pursuant to Section 399.014(b) of the PACE Act, the lien created by the Assessment runs with the land, and any portion of the Assessment that has not yet become due shall not be eliminated by foreclosure of: (i) a property tax lien, or (ii) the lien for a delinquent Installment of the Assessment. Accordingly, Installments may not be accelerated in the event of default. In the event of a sale or transfer of the Property by Property Owner, the obligation for the Assessment and the Property Owner's obligations under the Financing Documents shall be transferred to the succeeding owner without recourse to Local Government, or Authorized Representative.

3. As provided in Section 399.014(a-1) of the PACE Act, after this Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien is recorded in the real property records of the county in which the Property is located, the lien created by the Assessment may not be contested on the basis that the improvement is not a "qualified improvement" or the Project is not a "qualified project", as such terms are defined in Section 399.002 of the PACE Act.

EXECUTED on _____, _____

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

JOHNSON COUNTY

By: TEXAS PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY dba
TEXAS PACE AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
Pursuant to Tex. Local Gov't Code §399.006(b)

By: _____

Name: WILLIAM EARL TAYLOR

Title: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

Address: PO BOX 200368
AUSTIN, TX 78720-0368

Email Address: admin@texaspaceauthority.org

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF _____ §

This Notice of Contractual Assessment Lien pursuant to Property Assessed Clean Energy Act was acknowledged before me on _____, 20__ by William Earl Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Texas Property Assessed Clean Energy Authority, dba Texas PACE Authority, a Texas nonprofit corporation, on behalf of said corporation and as Authorized Representative for the Local Government.

_____ _____

_____ (print name)

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

PACE NOTICE OF LIEN EXHIBIT A

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

PACE NOTICE OF LIEN EXHIBIT B

QUALIFIED IMPROVEMENTS

PACE NOTICE OF LIEN EXHIBIT C

FINANCING DOCUMENTS

Assessment Payment Schedule

Assessment Total: Payment Frequency:

Document Title	Parties	Date Executed

Payment Date	Total Payment	Principal Paid	Interest Paid	Administration Fee	Remaining Balance

Financing Documents

INDEXING INSTRUCTION:

Grantor: _____, Property Owner
Grantees: Johnson County, Local Government
_____, Lender

After recording, return to: Texas PACE Authority
William Earl Taylor
PO Box 200368
Austin, TX 78720-0368