

This Commodity Master Agreement ("CMA") among **Direct Energy Business, LLC, Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC d/b/a Direct Energy Business**, (collectively "Seller"), each a Delaware limited liability company, and Orange County Sanitation District ("Buyer" or "Customer") (each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties") is entered into and effective as of March 21, 2022.

**1. Transactions:** The terms of this CMA apply to all end-use sales of electric power and/or natural gas as applicable (each a "Commodity" and collectively, the "Commodities"), by the applicable Seller to Buyer (each sale a "Transaction") which will be memorialized in a transaction confirmation signed by both Parties (each a "Transaction Confirmation"). Each Transaction Confirmation shall set forth the Seller party providing service to Customer for such Transaction. This CMA, any amendments to this CMA and related Transaction Confirmation(s) (together, a single integrated, "Agreement") is the entire understanding between Parties with respect to the Commodities and supersedes all other communication and prior writings with respect thereto; no oral statements are effective.

**2. Performance:** Buyer is obligated to purchase and receive, and Seller is obligated to sell and provide, the Contract Quantity of Commodity specified in a Transaction Confirmation. Buyer will only use the Commodity at the listed Service Locations in the applicable Transaction Confirmation and will not resell the Commodity.

**3. Term:** The Delivery Period and any Renewal Term are set forth in the applicable Transaction Confirmation. This CMA shall remain in effect until terminated by either Party pursuant to Section 14 or as otherwise terminated by either Party for convenience upon at least 30 days' prior written notice; provided, however, that this CMA will remain in effect with respect to Transactions entered into prior to the effective date of the termination until both Parties have fulfilled all outstanding obligations.

**4. Purchase Price:** Buyer will pay the Purchase Price stated in each Transaction Confirmation, subject to Sections 5 and 10. If the Purchase Price incorporates an index and the index is not announced or published on any day for any reason or if the Seller reasonably determines that a material change in the formula for or the method of determining the Purchase Price has occurred, then the Parties will use a commercially reasonable replacement price calculated by the Seller.

**5. Changes to Purchase Price:** In the event there is a change to any tariff, law, order, rule, tax, regulation, transmission rate, or any LDC, EDC or ISO changes to supplier obligations to serve, which increase Seller's costs, the Purchase Price may be adjusted by Seller to include such costs.

**6. Billing and Payment:** Seller will invoice Buyer for the Actual Quantity of Commodity and for any other amounts for which Buyer is responsible under this Agreement. Except as otherwise set forth herein, payment is due within days of the date of the invoice. If Seller cannot verify the Actual Quantity at the time an invoice is issued, Seller will estimate the Actual Quantity. Seller will adjust Buyer's account following (i) confirmation of the Actual Quantity, (ii) any Utility adjustment or (iii) any other corrections or adjustments, including adjustments to, or re-calculation of Taxes. Buyer will pay interest on late payments for any amount due under this Agreement at % per month or, if lower, the maximum rate permitted by law ("Interest Rate"). Buyer is also responsible for all costs and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred in collecting any amounts owed to Seller and any fee charged to Seller for insufficient funds of Buyer. "Actual Quantity" means the actual quantity of Commodity that is either delivered or metered, as applicable, to Buyer's account. "Utility" means a state regulated entity engaged in the distribution of the applicable Commodity.

**7. Taxes:** The Purchase Price does not include Taxes that are or may be the responsibility of the Buyer, unless such inclusion is required by law. Buyer will reimburse Seller for any Taxes that Seller is required to collect and pay on Buyer's behalf and will indemnify, defend and hold Seller harmless from any liability against all Taxes for which Buyer is responsible. Buyer must provide Seller with any applicable Tax exemption documentation and Buyer will be liable for any Taxes assessed against Seller because of Buyer's failure to timely provide or properly complete any such documentation. "Taxes" means all applicable federal, state and local taxes, including any associated penalties and interest and any new taxes imposed in the future during the term of this Agreement. Liabilities imposed in this Section will survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

**8. Disputes:** If either Party in good faith disputes amounts owed hereunder, the disputing Party will contact the non-disputing Party in writing and pay the undisputed amount by the payment due date. The Parties will have 15 Business Days to negotiate a resolution. If such dispute is not resolved, the disputing Party will pay the balance of the original invoice and either Party may exercise any remedy available to it at law or equity. "Business Day" means any day on which banks are open for commercial business in New York, New York; any reference to "day(s)" means calendar days.

**9. Title and Risk of Loss:** Title to, possession of and risk of loss to the Commodity will pass to Buyer at the Delivery Point specified in the applicable Transaction Confirmation.

**10. Material Deviation:** Seller may in its sole discretion pass through to Buyer any losses and/or costs incurred by Seller related to a deviation of +/-25% from Contract Quantity (or, as applicable, estimated Contract Quantities) stated in the applicable Transaction Confirmation (which is not caused by weather).

**11. Force Majeure:** Other than payment obligations, a Party claiming Force Majeure will be excused from its obligations under Section 2 only if it provides prompt notice of the Force Majeure, uses due diligence to remove its cause and resumes performance as promptly as reasonably possible. During a Force Majeure, Buyer will not be excused from its responsibility to pay for Balancing Charges nor from its responsibility to pay for Commodity received. "Force Majeure" means a material, unavoidable occurrence beyond a Party's control, and does not include inability to pay, an increase or decrease in Taxes or the cost of Commodity, the economic hardships of a Party, the full or partial closure of Buyer's facilities, unless such closure itself is due to Force Majeure.

**12. Financial Responsibility:** Seller's entry into this Agreement and each Transaction is conditioned on Buyer, its parent, any guarantor or any successor maintaining its creditworthiness during the Delivery Period and any Renewal Term. When Seller has

reasonable grounds for insecurity regarding Buyer's ability or willingness to perform all of its outstanding obligations under any agreement between the Parties, Seller may require Buyer to provide adequate assurance, which may include, in the Seller's discretion, security in the form of cash deposits, prepayments, letters of credit or other guaranty of payment or performance ("Credit Assurance").

**13. Default:** "Default" means: **(i)** failure of either Party to make payment by the applicable due date and the payment is not made within Business Days of a written demand; **(ii)** failure of Buyer to provide Credit Assurance within Business Days of Seller's demand; **(iii)** any representation or warranty made by a Party in this Agreement proves to have been false or misleading in any material respect when made or ceases to remain true and such breach is not cured within 15 Business Days after written notice; **(iv)** a secured party has taken possession of all or any substantial portion of its assets or is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its winding-up, official management or liquidation (other than pursuant to a consolidation or merger); **(v)** failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations in this Agreement (except as otherwise provided in subsections (i), (ii) (iii) and (iv) hereof) and such failure is not cured within 15 Business Days after written notice; provided that no cure period or demand for cure applies to an early termination of a Transaction Confirmation by Buyer or under Section 15(A)(iii).

**14. Remedies:** In the event of a Default, the non-defaulting Party may: **(i)** withhold any payments or suspend performance; **(ii)** accelerate any amounts owing between the Parties and terminate any Transactions and/or this Agreement between the Parties and/or their affiliates; **(iii)** calculate a settlement amount by calculating all amounts due to Seller for Actual Quantity and the Close-out Value for each Transaction being terminated; and/or **(iv)** net or aggregate all settlement amounts and all other amounts owing between the Parties and their affiliates under this Agreement and other energy-related agreements between them and their affiliates, whether or not due and whether or not subject to any contingencies, plus costs, into one single amount ("Net Settlement Amount"). Any Net Settlement Amount due from the defaulting Party to the non-defaulting Party will be paid within 3 Business Days of written notice from the non-defaulting Party. Interest on any unpaid portion of the Net Settlement Amount will accrue daily at the Interest Rate. "Close-out Value" is the sum of **(a)** the amount due to the non-defaulting Party regarding the Contract Quantities (or, as applicable, estimated Contract Quantities) remaining to be delivered as stated in the applicable Transaction Confirmation(s) during the Delivery Period or, if applicable, the current Renewal Term, calculated by determining the difference between the Purchase Price and the Market Price for such quantities; and **(b)** without duplication, any net losses or costs incurred by the non-defaulting Party for terminating the Transaction(s), including costs of obtaining, maintaining and/or liquidating commercially reasonable hedges, Balancing Charges and/or transaction costs. "Market Price" means the price for similar quantities of Commodity at the Delivery Point during the Delivery Period or Renewal Term. For purposes of determining Close-out Value, Market Price may be established by Seller through information available to Seller internally or through third parties. The Parties agree that Close-out Value constitutes a reasonable approximation of damages and is not a penalty or punitive in any respect. Physical liquidation of a Transaction or entering into a replacement transaction is not required to determine Close-out Value or Net Settlement Amount. The defaulting Party is responsible for all costs and fees incurred for collection of Net Settlement Amount, including, reasonable attorney's fees and expert witness fees.

**15. Representations, Warranties and Covenants:** Each of the following are deemed to be repeated each time a Transaction is entered into and during the Delivery Period and any Renewal Period: **A.** Each Party represents that: **(i)** it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and is qualified to conduct its business in those jurisdictions necessary to perform to this Agreement; **(ii)** the execution of this Agreement is within its powers, has been duly authorized and does not violate any of the terms or conditions in its governing documents or any contract to which it is a party or any law applicable to it; and **(iii)** there are no bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership or other similar proceedings pending or being contemplated by it, its parent or guarantor or to its knowledge, threatened against it, its parent or guarantor. **B.** Buyer represents, warrants and covenants that: **(i)** it is not a residential customer; **(ii)** execution of this Agreement initiates enrollment and service for the Delivery Period and any Renewal Term; **(iii)** if it is the person or entity executing this Agreement is doing so in its capacity as an agent, such Party represents and warrants that it has the authority to bind the principal to all the provisions contained herein and agrees to provide Seller true, correct and complete documentation of such agency relationship, and **(iv)** (a) it has and will provide, to Seller, all information reasonably required to substantiate its usage requirements; (b) acceptance of this Agreement constitutes an authorization for release of such usage information; (c) it will assist Seller in taking all actions necessary to effectuate Transactions, including providing an authorization form permitting Seller to obtain its usage information; and (d) the usage information provided is true and accurate as of the date furnished and as of the effective date of the Agreement. **C.** Each Party acknowledges that: **(i)** this Agreement is a forward contract and a master netting agreement as defined in the United States Bankruptcy Code ("Code"); **(ii)** this Agreement shall not be construed as creating an association, trust, partnership, or joint venture in any way between the Parties, nor as creating any relationship between the Parties other than that of independent contractors for the sale and purchase of Commodity; **(iii)** Seller is not a "utility" or an "energy generation facility" as defined in the Code; **(iv)** Commodity supply will be provided by Seller under this Agreement, but delivery will be provided by Buyer's Utility; **(v)** Seller does not own or operate transmission and distribution systems through which the Commodity is delivered to Buyer, and Seller is not liable for any damages or Losses associated with such transmission or distribution systems; and **(vi)** Buyer's Utility, and not Seller, is responsible for responding to leaks or emergencies should they occur. **D.** Seller warrants that (i) it has good title to Commodity delivered, (ii) it has the right to sell the Commodity, and (iii) the Commodity as delivered will be free from all royalties, liens, encumbrances, and claims. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION, ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE DISCLAIMED.

**16. Confidentiality:** Buyer will not disclose the terms of this Agreement, without prior written consent of the Seller, to any third party, other than Buyer's employees, affiliates, agents, auditors and counsel who are bound by substantially similar confidentiality obligations, trading exchanges, governmental authorities, courts, adjudicatory proceedings, pricing indices, and credit ratings agencies; provided that if Buyer receives a demand for disclosure pursuant to court order or other proceeding, it will first notify Seller, to the extent practicable, before making the disclosure.

**17. Indemnification; Limitation of Liability:** **A.** Buyer will be responsible for and shall indemnify Seller against all losses, costs and expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorney’s fees, arising out of claims for personal injury, including death, or property damage from the Commodity or other charges (collectively, “Losses”) which attach after title passes to Buyer. **B.** Seller will be responsible for and indemnify Buyer against any Losses which attach before title passes to Buyer. **C.** NEITHER PARTY WILL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER UNDER THIS AGREEMENT FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

**Other:** **(A)** The Agreement, and any dispute arising hereunder, is governed by the law of the state in which the Service Locations are located, without regard to any conflict of rules doctrine. **(B)** Each Party waives its right to a jury trial regarding any litigation arising from this Agreement. **(C)** No delay or failure by a Party to exercise any right or remedy to which it may become entitled under this Agreement will constitute a waiver of that right or remedy **(D)** Any notice or waiver including without limitation any termination or disconnection notice, shall be provided in writing and, if sent to Seller, a copy delivered to: Direct Energy Business, Attn: Customer Services Manager, 1001 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Phone: (888) 925-9115; Fax: (866) 421-0257; Email: CustomerRelations@NRG.com. Notice sent by electronic means shall be deemed to have been received by the close of the Business Day on which it was transmitted, or such earlier time as is confirmed by the receiving Party. Notice delivered by overnight courier shall be deemed to have been received on the Business Day after it was sent, or such earlier time as is confirmed by the receiving Party. Notice delivered by first class mail (postage prepaid) shall be deemed to have been received at the end of the third Business Day after the date of mailing. **(E)** No amendment to this Agreement will be enforceable unless reduced to writing and executed by both Parties. **(F)** Seller may pledge, encumber or assign this Agreement or the accounts, revenues and proceeds thereof without Buyer’s consent. Buyer may not assign this Agreement without Seller’s consent not to be unreasonably withheld. **(G)** This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts by the Parties, each of which when executed and delivered shall be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. **(H)** Any capitalized terms not defined in this CMA are defined in the Transaction Confirmation or shall have the meaning set forth in the applicable Utility rules, tariffs or other governmental regulations, or if not defined therein then it shall have the generally accepted meaning customarily attributed to it in the natural gas or electricity generation industries, as applicable. **(I)** Any document generated by the Parties with respect to the Agreement, including the Agreement, may be imaged and stored electronically and may be introduced as evidence in any proceeding as if it were an original business record and shall not be contested by either party as admissible evidence. **(J)** Where multiple parties are Party to this Agreement with Seller and are represented by the same agent, this Agreement will constitute a separate agreement with each such Party, as if each such Party executed a separate Agreement, and that no such Party shall have any liability under this document for the obligations of any other Parties. **(K)** If a conflict arises between the terms of this CMA and a Transaction Confirmation, the Transaction Confirmation will control with respect to that particular Transaction. **(L)** If a broker or agent has been involved in any Transaction, such broker is an agent of Buyer only and not an agent of Seller.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this CMA is entered into and effective as of the date written above.

**Buyer:** Orange County Sanitation District

**Seller:** Direct Energy Business, LLC  
Direct Energy Business Marketing,  
LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Date:** March 21, 2022  
**Product Code:** CAISO\_DA\_Index\_CA  
**Contract ID:**

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION**

**Customer Name:** Orange County Sanitation District  
**Contact Name:**  
**Address:** 10844 Ellis Ave, Fountain Valley, CA, 927087018  
**Telephone:**  
**Fax:**  
**Email:**

**Billing Contact:**  
**3rd Party Bill Pay:**  
**Billing Address:**  
**Telephone:**  
**Fax:**  
**Email:**

**ELECTRICITY TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION - California Day Ahead Index with Purchasing Options**

This Transaction Confirmation confirms the terms of the Electricity Transaction entered into between Direct Energy Business, LLC ("Seller"), and the customer above ("Buyer" or "Customer") pursuant to the terms of the Commodity Master Agreement between Customer and Seller and/or Seller's affiliate Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC, d/b/a Direct Energy Business dated \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, as may be amended (the "CMA"). If the referenced CMA is between Customer and Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC, d/b/a Direct Energy Business, Customer and Seller agree that this Transaction Confirmation shall be governed by and incorporate the terms of such CMA. All attachments and exhibits hereto, including any request for a Forward Purchase or Purchase Confirmation are made a part of and incorporated into this Transaction Confirmation. The Purchase Price excludes Utility transmission and distribution charges and Taxes that are or may be the responsibility of Customer. Customer's execution and submission of this Transaction Confirmation, including Exhibit A hereto, to Seller shall constitute an offer from Customer to Seller to purchase the Commodity on the terms set forth in the CMA. This Transaction Confirmation shall become effective only upon (i) execution by Customer of this Transaction Confirmation, including Exhibit A, and CMA; and (ii) the earlier of (a) execution of the CMA and this Transaction Confirmation by Seller or (b) written confirmation by Seller of its acceptance of the Transaction Confirmation to Customer.

**DELIVERY PERIOD**

For each Service Location, the first meter read date will be on or after: \_\_\_\_\_, and will continue for a term of \_\_\_\_\_ Months. Seller will request the Utility to enroll Customer on the first meter read date in the first month of the Delivery Period as defined by the Utility. The service start date hereunder will be the date that the Utility enrolls Customer for Seller's services. Seller shall not be liable for any lost savings or lost opportunity as a result of a delay in service commencement due to actions or inactions of the Utility.

Upon the expiration of the Delivery Period, this Transaction shall continue for successive one month terms (collectively the "Renewal Term") until either Party notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate, at least 15 days prior to the end of the Delivery Period or 15 days prior to the end of each successive month Renewal Term. The termination date shall be the next effective drop date permitted by the Utility. All terms of the Agreement will remain in effect through the termination date as set by the applicable Utility. During the Renewal Term, the Purchase Price for each successive month Renewal Term will be the then market-based price for similar quantities of Commodity at the Delivery Point, including all Taxes, costs, charges or fees which are set forth herein, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties.

**DELIVERY POINT**

The Delivery Point shall be the point(s) where Commodity is delivered to the Utility. The Utility is specified on Exhibit A.

**BILL TYPE - DUAL**

**CONTRACT QUANTITY**

Customer and Seller agree that the Contract Quantity purchased and received means a positive volume up to or greater than the estimated quantities listed on the Exhibit A, provided, that for purposes of determining whether a material deviation has occurred and for purposes of calculating Contract Quantities remaining to be delivered under the Remedies section of the CMA, Contract Quantity shall be determined by reference to the historical monthly usage for such Service Locations.

**PURCHASE PRICE**

The Purchase Price per kWh to be paid by Buyer for the services provided hereunder during the Delivery Period of this Agreement shall be that set forth on Exhibit A. The Purchase Price includes a Services Fee, as well as the components marked below as "Included". For those components marked "Pass through", they will be passed through to you at cost and shown as a line item on your bill.

CAISO	Value
Energy	Pass Through
Ancillaries	Pass Through
Losses	Pass Through
MRTU Congestion	Pass Through
Resource Adequacy	Pass Through
RPS	Pass Through
Applicable Taxes	Pass Through

Any Actual Quantities of Electricity necessary to meet Customer's full usage requirements not covered by a Forward Purchase will be priced at the Day Ahead LMP. Customer understands and agrees that the combination of Forward Purchase(s) and Electricity priced and purchased at Day-Ahead LMP shall equal 100% of Customer's metered kWh usage.

#### DEFINITIONS

**Ancillaries:** Wholesale commodity services and products intended to support reliable operation of the transmission system, including California ISO grid management fees, PEAK and NERC/WACC charges, as well as all other administrative, miscellaneous charges that are assessed to Seller's load by California ISO, all as allocated by Seller to Customer on a pro-rata basis.

**Day-Ahead Locational Marginal Price (LMP):** The hourly Integrated Forward Market Locational Marginal Price ("LMP") for the default Load Aggregation Points ("LAPs") and Trading Hubs associated with the Service Locations, as published by the California ISO for each trading hour of the next trading day.

**Exhibit A:** The list of Service Locations attached to this Transaction Confirmation, which list specifies the Service Locations covered under the scope of this Transaction Confirmation for PowerPortfolio, Day-Ahead, Real-Time and other index products. For fixed price products, it refers to the pricing attachment to this Transaction Confirmation that sets forth (together with this Transaction Confirmation) the Purchase Price applicable to, and the Service Locations covered by, this Transaction Confirmation.

**Exhibit B:** The Exhibit that Customer may complete, execute, and submit to Seller to confirm their offer to Seller to make a Forward Purchase.

**Load Following Forward Purchase:** Converting percentages of Electricity in 1% increments up to a maximum of 100% of Customer's metered kWh usage from the Day-Ahead LMP index to a fixed price.

**Load Following Forward Purchase Request:** The first document Customer submits to Seller to describe the details of the requested Load Following Forward Purchase.

**MRTU Congestion:** The difference in the Day-Ahead Market LMP at the Load Aggregation Point and the Trading Hub associated with the Service Locations, as published by the California ISO.

**Purchase Confirmation:** The written confirmation sent by Seller to confirm its acceptance of Customer's offer of a Forward Purchase.

**Renewable Energy Certificate(s) or RECs** means a certificate which represents the environmental attributes associated with 1 MWh of electricity delivered into a power grid in the United States by a generator producing electric power from solar, wind, or other such source defined "renewable" by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS):** A regulation that requires the increased production of energy from renewable energy sources.

**Services Fee:** The fee for the services provided by Seller to meet the Service Locations' load requirements, including any applicable broker fee, which is included in the Purchase Price to be paid by Buyer.

#### Voluntary Purchase

Renewable Energy or "Certificate" will be sourced from the below asset type(s) and at the listed %(s).

Percentage - Asset Type
National Green-E Wind

Purchase price displayed on the Exhibit A Pricing Attachment includes Voluntary Renewables Purchase.

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

**1.. Load Following Forward Purchase:** Customer may purchase a percentage of its Electricity requirements, plus losses associated with transmission and delivery service, as a Load Following Forward Purchase. Such losses will be billed as a separate charge but at the same price as Electricity as fixed in accordance with the Load Following Forward Purchase and will be invoiced as either a separate item or included in the total aggregate charge for the Load Following Forward Purchase. Such purchases may not be less than 1% or more than 100% of Customer's total Actual Quantities for a minimum term of one (1) month. To initiate a Load Following Forward Purchase, Customer should fully complete and execute the required information in the attached "Request for Load Following Forward Purchase" and submit to Seller five business days prior to the desired start date. Seller will review and provide additional details and optionality in a form substantially similar to Exhibit B. If Customer finds the terms acceptable, it should execute the form and submit to Seller. All Load Following Forward Purchase orders are binding upon being filled and are made a part of this Transaction Confirmation. Seller will send a Purchase Confirmation to Buyer each time a Load Following Forward Purchase is filled. If more than one Load Following Forward Purchase is in effect for any month of the Delivery Period, Seller shall invoice Customer at the weighted average fixed price of said Load Following Forward Purchases. In all cases, the failure of Seller to send a Purchase Confirmation or the failure of Customer to acknowledge receipt of such shall not invalidate the Forward Purchase as agreed to by the Parties. If there are any inconsistencies between this Transaction Confirmation and any finalized Forward Purchase, such inconsistencies will be resolved in favor of the latter for that applicable purchase.

**2.. Email Transactions:** The Parties consent to the use of electronic agreements and to conduct Transactions and/or Load Following Forward Purchases via email and/or facsimile. Such electronic correspondence shall be deemed a "writing", by which the Parties intend to be bound, for purposes of satisfying any applicable state and federal legal requirements. The Parties agree that a typed name and title, including the use of an automated email signature block, in such writing(s) is the legal equivalent of such Party's representative's manual signature (an "E-signature"). The Parties agree that no certification of authority or other third-party verification shall be necessary to validate an E-signature and lack of such certification or third-party verification will not in any way affect the

enforceability of a Party's E-signature.

**3.. PRICE INDEX MOVEMENT:** BY EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT, CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE DAY-AHEAD LMP INDEX IS A CONSTANTLY FLUCTUATING MARKET PRICE AND WILL VARY. CUSTOMER ASSUMES ALL RISKS OF PRICE MOVEMENTS AND AGREES TO PAY FOR THE SERVICES PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS AGREEMENT.

**4.. Change in Utility Account Numbers:** The account number for a Service Location shall be the Utility Account Number set forth in the Service Locations attached in the Exhibit A, or any replacement account number issued by the Utility from time to time.

**5.. Third Party Charges:** Customer acknowledges that any costs assessed by the Utility or any third party as a result of Customer's switch to or from Seller, including but not limited to switching costs, are not included in the Purchase Price and shall be the responsibility of the Customer.

**6.. Billing and Payment:**The following is hereby added to the Billing and Payment section of the CMA:

"Seller and Buyer agree upon the following condition regarding its non-interval monthly meter accounts, if any: Seller will deaggregate the Buyer's usage, based on Utility and ISO settlement protocols, and Buyer agrees to accept the results of this deaggregation as its hourly billing determinants. Where Buyer has interval meters, Seller will use the interval meter hourly usage for billing only to the extent that the hourly usage is used by the applicable Utility and ISO for settlement purposes with Seller. In the event of an interval meter where the Utility and ISO do not use the hourly usage for settlements, Seller will deaggregate Buyer's usage, based on Utility and ISO settlement protocols, and Buyer agrees to accept the results of this deaggregation as its hourly billing determinants."

**7.. Risk Acknowledgements:** By selecting and executing this Transaction Confirmation, Buyer acknowledges that it is acting for its own account, and it has made its own independent decision to enter into this Agreement based solely upon its own judgment and upon advice from such advisors as it has deemed necessary. It is not relying on any communication (written or oral) of Seller or its affiliates (or its respective representatives) in any respect, and in particular, not as investment advice or as a recommendation to enter into any Agreement, it being understood that information and explanations related to the terms and conditions of any Agreement will not be considered investment advice or a recommendation to enter into the Agreement. Buyer understands and agrees that the energy market is a volatile market and that - except as to any agreed prices between the Parties described in this Agreement - no warranties (express or implied) and no guarantees regarding market movement or price trends are made by Seller or its affiliates in connection with this Agreement. No communication (written or oral) received from Seller or its affiliates (or their respective representatives) will be deemed to be an assurance or guarantee as to the expected results of any transaction elected by Buyer under this Agreement.

**8..** The Transactions section of the CMA is amended by inserting the following after the last sentence: "If specified in a Transaction Confirmation as applicable, all contracts for the purchase and sale of Green-e Energy certified Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs") shall be subject to the Agreement, and every provision in which "Commodity" is referenced will be construed as referencing both Commodity (or Commodities) and RECs, excluding those sections regarding title and risk of loss and material deviation."

**9..** The Performance section of the CMA is amended by inserting the following at the end: "Seller shall retire the Product Quantity of REC Certificates, on Buyer's behalf, at the end of the Green-e® reporting year in which the RECs were purchased."

**10..** The Green-e RECs purchased herein are Green-e® Energy certified and meet the environmental and consumer protection standards set forth by the nonprofit Center for Resource Solutions. The REC itself does not contain Electricity. A REC represents the environmental benefits of 1 megawatt hour (MWh) of renewable energy that can be paired with electricity. For more information, see [www.green-e.org/rec](http://www.green-e.org/rec).

**11..** With respect to each REC component of a Transaction, Seller represents and warrants to Buyer on each date that Seller retires RECs on Buyer's behalf: (i) the RECs meet the specifications set forth in the Transaction Confirmation and (ii) Seller has not transferred the RECs to any other person or used RECs to meet compliance requirements under any regulatory or voluntary program or standard."

**12.. Illegality:** The REC component of a Transaction shall terminate automatically if any judicial, regulatory or legislative action or change renders performance of the material obligations contained in such REC component of the Transaction illegal.

**13.. Record Retention:** The Parties shall keep (or as necessary cause to be kept by their respective agents), for a period of five (5) years, a history of all deliveries of RECs hereunder. For matters in dispute, the Parties shall keep the records related to such matters until the dispute has been resolved. This Section shall survive the expiration or termination of Transactions under the Agreement.

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**TAX EXEMPTION STATUS - If exempt, must attach certificate**

**In order to ensure accurate billing, tax status indication is required. Please check the appropriate status below:**

Non-Exempt

Exempt (e.g. Residential, Non-Profit Organization, Manufacturing, Small Business, Agricultural, Resale, etc.)

<b>Buyer:</b>	Orange County Sanitation District	<b>Seller:</b>	<b>Direct Energy Business, LLC</b>
By:	_____	By:	_____
Name:	_____	Name:	_____
Title:	_____	Title:	_____
Date:	_____	Date:	_____
		Contract ID:	_____
		Internal ID:	_____

EXHIBIT A PRICING ATTACHMENT

This Exhibit A is to the Transaction Confirmation dated March 21, 2022 between DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS LLC and Orange County Sanitation District for a term of Month Contract ID:

CAISO\_DA\_Index\_CA

Table with 8 columns: Account Number, Service Location, Utility, Utility Rate Class, Zone, \*Estimated Meter Read Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY), Purchase Price (cents/KWh), Annual Historical Usage (kWh)

\*The Estimated Meter Read Start Date is merely an approximation based upon Seller's best estimation as to when the service will begin and may not reflect the actual start date. Seller shall not be liable for any lost savings or lost opportunity relating to this estimation.

Monthly Contract Quantity

Table with 13 columns: KWh, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec

\*Usage values in the above table represent the aggregated Usage for all Service Locations for a month. Material Usage Deviation includes for the purposes of this Exhibit A, any deviation caused by net metering or other Buyer initiated energy efficiency measures.

This Exhibit is based on a Weighted Average Price. Any strikeouts of any of the accounts provided with a Weighted Average Price will render pricing for the accounts assigned with a Weighted Average Price null and void.

Term of Months: Month

Meter Read Start Date:

[ ] Please aggregate my account onto one invoice (If more than 50 accounts are to be aggregated, accounts will be separated by meter read date)

Accepted and Agreed to:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





Exhibit "B"

**FORWARD PURCHASE ORDER FORM**

This Exhibit B is being provided pursuant to and in accordance with the Transaction Confirmation dated ( ) and Commodity Master Agreement dated ( ) between Customer ("Buyer") and Direct Energy ("Seller") (the "Agreement"), and is hereby incorporated into and made part of the Agreement. Buyer's execution and submission of this Exhibit B to Seller shall constitute an offer by Buyer to Seller to purchase Electricity in accordance with the terms set out below. This Exhibit B will become valid upon i) execution by the Buyer and ii) written confirmation of the Seller's acceptance of the terms herein to the Buyer.

1. Transaction details including the Term, Times of Delivery, Quantity and Energy Price are shown below:

Delivery Zone	Term Start	Term End	Time of Day	Energy/Commodity Price (\$/MWh)	Block Size (MW or %)	Quantity (MWH)
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2. Special Provision(s), if any:

In no event shall Buyer have any recourse against Seller for any purchase that is transacted under this Forward Purchase Order Form so long as the Commodity Price stated above is achieved.

Following written confirmation by Seller of its acceptance, Seller will make reasonable efforts to send Buyer an executed copy of this Exhibit B. However and in all cases, the failure of Seller to send an Exhibit B or the failure of Buyer to acknowledge receipt of an Exhibit B shall not invalidate the Forward Purchase agreed to by the Parties.

Unless specifically modified herein, all terms and conditions of the Agreement remain the same. Terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

This Exhibit B may be executed in one or more counterparts and each executed counterpart shall be considered an original, provided that such counterpart is delivered to the other Party by facsimile, mail, courier or electronic mail, all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

**DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS, LLC**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Orange County Sanitation District**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE E-MAIL to the attention of: [EnergyAdvisors@directenergy.com](mailto:EnergyAdvisors@directenergy.com)