

Community Board No. 2

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New York City Industrial Development Agency c/o NYC Economic Development Corporation 1 Liberty Plaza, 165 Broadway 14th Floor New York, NY 1006

Subject: Community Board Support for Review Avenue Renewable Energy project application for NYC IDA's tax incentive program.

Dear Members of the NYC Industrial Development Agency,

On behalf of the Queens Community Board 2, which serves as the local representative body for residents, business and institutions in Long Island City, Woodside, Sunnyside, and a small part of Maspeth. I write to express our strong support for the application submitted by Review Avenue Storage East, LLC (d/b/a Nexamp) for sales tax exemption benefits related to the Review Avenue Standalone Energy Storage Project (the "Project").

Located within the Review Avenue corridor adjacent to the Newtown Creek watershed, this Project represents a significant advancement in bringing clean, resilient energy infrastructure to Western Queens. Developed by Nexamp, the Project will provide essential grid services and support greater integration of renewable energy into New York City's power supply—contributing to the State's CLCPA goals and helping NYC meet its ambitious decarbonization and climate resilience targets. This project contributes to the CLCPA's clean energy and emissions goals as a standalone storage facility with a capacity of 4 MW. Energy storage is critical for enabling more renewable power on the grid and maintaining system reliability, especially as the state targets 3 GW of energy storage by 2030.

Queens Community Board 2 supports this Project not only for its energy and environmental benefits, but also for its thoughtful sitting and community engagement. Nexamp has engaged proactively with local stakeholders and regulatory agencies to ensure that the facility complies with all relevant safety and environmental standards, including a rigorous permitting process with the NYC Fire Department and other oversight bodies.

This Project exemplifies the kind of sustainable, community-compatible infrastructure investment that should be encouraged through the NYC IDA's tax incentive programs. The sales tax exemption sought will support Nexamp in delivering a project that improves grid reliability,

reduces peak load stress, and contributes to public health by displacing fossil fuel peaker plant operations—particularly in an overburdened environmental justice community.

We urge the NYC IDA to approve this application, as the Project aligns with both the Agency's mission and broader environmental justice and climate policy goals. The Review Avenue Energy Storage Project is a critical component of a cleaner, more resilient, and more equitable energy future for New York City.

We appreciate Nexamp's intentions to plant trees in the surrounding neighborhood through this project and encourage them to plant as many as possible."

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Anatole Ashraf,

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