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# **Appendix 1C** Community Benefits Plan

## Community Benefit Agreement Narrative

#### Overview

Levy Alameda, LLC (Applicant) strives to be an active member and steward of the communities where we develop, own, and operate clean energy projects. We aim to create long-term relationships and positive impacts that serve our local communities. As part of the Community Benefits Agreement for the Potentia-Viridi Battery Energy Storage System Project (Project), the Applicant plans on making significant investments over the next fifteen years with community-based initiatives and programs in the Alameda County area.

Our Project team has been actively researching and meeting with local community-based organizations that align with the Applicant's company-wide social investment strategy. In every project development area, the Applicant actively seeks to fund community-based organizations that focus on education programs, health and human service organizations, conservation and sustainability initiatives, and community-specific needs.

## Community Organizations Under Review

As of early June 2024, the Applicant has met with multiple Alameda County based community organizations to better understand their immediate and long-term needs and how their mission directly supports the residents of Alameda County. A short description of several of the organizations currently under consideration is included below. Upon execution of the Community Benefits Agreements, the Applicant will file them under seal with the CEC docket.

- **Tri-Valley Haven:** Tri-Valley Haven is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to serving victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, and homelessness in the Tri-Valley region of Alameda County. They are currently looking for donations to rebuild their domestic violence shelter "Shiloh". Another opportunity would be their Client Choice Food Pantry which provides local families in need with healthy food items, baby products, hygienic supplies, household items and more.
- **Livermore Valley Education Fund:** Livermore Education Fund is a non-profit that distributes funds to schools in the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District in the form of block grants, scholarships, and teacher's awards. Their funds are also used for academic, arts and athletic programs.

- East Bay Community Foundation: East Bay Community Foundation is a non-profit that provides grants to other local public-oriented organizations. It is a grant-making organization with a wide variety of funds and other charitable vehicles. They partner with donors, social movements, and the community to eliminate structural barriers, advance racial equity, and transform political, social, and economic outcomes for the local community.
- Las Positas College Foundation: Las Positas College Foundation is a non-profit that supports the Las Positas Community College in Livermore by funding educational programs, scholarships, book grants and supports other critical needs of the students. The Foundation supports programs that ensure that students and the broader communities being served have a premier community college.
- **Sogorea Te' Land Trust:** Sogorea Te' is an urban indigenous women-led land trust that focuses on returning ancestral lands to indigenous people. They are looking for support for their "Himmetka: In one place, together" program which develops community resiliency centers to prepare for natural and human-made emergencies and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

Additionally, a portion of the funds allocated for the Community Benefits Agreement will be utilized for local sponsorships and events to ensure the support of initiatives that create and foster a sense of community within the Project Area.

## Anticipated Timeline

Initial conversations have occurred with several of the key community organizations that are being considered as part of the Community Benefits Agreement. We plan to continue our conversations and participate in community meetings and social activities related to community benefits in Alameda County. The purpose of the Applicant is to engage more with the Community and make a positive decision regarding the organization we enter into a Community Benefits Agreement with. The Applicant is planning follow up conversations with a selection of the contacted organizations to occur through June 2024. Between Q3 2024 and Q4 2024, the Applicant will execute Community Benefits Agreements with one or more of the organizations included in Table 1 below, satisfying the Assembly Bill 205 opt-in requirements. A complete Community Benefits Agreement plan will be submitted no later

than 45 days after completeness review to be in compliance with Assembly Bill 205, Section 25545.10.

#### Table 1

Community Based Organization	Community Interest	Timeline for Execution of Agreement
Tri-Valley Haven	Domestic Violence Services, Food Insecurity, Homelessness	Q3 2024/Q4 2024
Livermore Valley Education Fund	Education	Q3 2024/Q4 2024
Las Positas College Foundation	Education	Q3 2024/Q4 2024
East Bay Community Foundation	Variety including Education, Mental Health, Housing, Criminal Justice etc.	Q3 2024/Q4 2024
Sogorea Te' Land Trust	Indigenous tribes	Q3 2024/Q4 2024