

Administrative-Finance Committee
RESCHEDULED
June 5, 2023
6:15 p.m. – City Hall Conference Room

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. New Business**
 - a. A motion accepting a proposal from AIS, Inc. for the upgrade and replacement of the City’s firewalls including labor in an amount not to exceed \$32,792.**
 - b. A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC. (MC2) to provide full-requirements electricity supply and related services for the City’s Electric Aggregation Program**
 - c. Approval of Minutes – April 3, 2023**
- 4. Other Business**
- 5. Next Meeting – July 3, 2023**
- 6. Adjournment**

AGENDA MEMO
Administrative/Finance Committee
June 5, 2023

ISSUE STATEMENT

A motion authorizing the Mayor to accept a proposal from AIS, Inc. for the upgrade and replacement of the City's firewalls including labor in an amount not to exceed \$32,792.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The City's firewalls are nearing their end of support life. A firewall is a network security device that monitors and filters incoming and outgoing network traffic based on an organization's established security policies. The City last replaced the firewalls in 2017. AIS provides a roadmap of projects for 3 years. This is part of the roadmap and is necessary due to security concerns. After CJIS tools setup and monitoring, AIS was able to determine cyberpunks trying to break into emails. Additionally, AIS is able to identify that the attempts are coming from foreign countries/entities. This device will stop those attempts.

Firewalls serve as the first line of defense against external threats, such as hackers and malware attacks. A firewall establishes a border between an external network and the network it guards. It's inserted inline across a network connection and inspects all packets entering and leaving the guarded network.

The FYE24 budget includes \$32,792 in Account 01-10-4325.

STAFF/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval

ALTERNATE CONSIDERATION

As directed.

DECISION MODE

This item will be placed on the June 5, 2023, City Council Agenda for consideration.



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City of Darien
1702 Plainfield Road
Darien, IL 60561



City of Darien Firewall Upgrade

The City's Firewalls are nearing their end of support life. These Firewalls are simple/basic appliances that do not support modern security practices. AIS recommends upgrading to a more advance security appliance, both PD and PW. This solution can block connection/hack attempts from foreign countries and can inspect network packets for malicious content.

- \$3,867 2 x Palo Firewall w/rack kit
- \$6,829 2 x Software and support, 3 years
- \$11,400 Estimated Labor

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ISSUE STATEMENT

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC. (MC2) to provide full-requirements of electricity supply and related services for the City's Electric Aggregation Program.

BACKGROUND HISTORY

In 2012, Darien residents approved a referendum authorizing the City to operate an opt-out electric aggregation program for residents and small business ratepayers. Municipal Aggregation is a program by which the municipality can aggregate the load of its residents (who have not individually selected their own supplier) and negotiate for lower pricing, increased green energy and terms that are more protective for the ratepayer. NIMEC serves as our consultant for the procurement of power for our water pumping facilities and street lighting power. They also manage the bids for our municipal aggregation program. NIMEC is a purchasing group of over 170+ municipal and non-profit organizations that help lower member's utility supply costs.

The city periodically reviews rates offered by electrical providers other than ComEd. If the ComEd rate is higher than alternate providers, the city can enter into an agreement that locks in the lower rates for a specific time period. If the ComEd rate is lower, the city maintains them as the electric supplier. However, if the city contracts with an alternate provider, ComEd still bills residents because ComEd owns the infrastructure that brings electricity to customers.

Currently, ComEd provides the electrical power to Darien. NIMEC has recently solicited proposals for lower rates but could not find a rate lower than ComEd. However, NIMEC has obtained a proposal from MC2 that matches the ComEd rate but also includes a civic contribution payment of \$10,000 to the city. This agreement is for 12 months and NIMEC will continue to review electric rates for savings to the community.

STAFF/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Mayor Marchese and staff recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC. (MC2) to provide full-requirements electricity supply and related services for the City's Electric Aggregation Program

ALTERNATE CONSIDERATION

As directed.

DECISION MODE

This will be on the June 5, 2023, City Council agenda for formal approval.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH MC SQUARED ENERGY SERVICES, LLC. (MC2) TO PROVIDE FULL REQUIREMENTS ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE CITY’S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DARIEN, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Darien hereby authorizes the Mayor to approve an agreement with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC (MC2) to provide full requirements of electricity supply and related services for the City’s Electric Aggregation Program subject to Attorney’s final review, a copy of which is attached hereto as “**Exhibit 1**”.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DARIEN, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, this 5th day of June 2023.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DARIEN, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, this 5th day of June 2023.

JOSEPH A. MARCHESE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JOANNE E. RAGONA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

MASTER POWER SUPPLY AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND MC SQUARED ENERGY SERVICES, LLC TO PROVIDE FULL-REQUIREMENTS ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM

This Agreement ("Agreement"), is entered into as of this 6th day of June 2023 ("Effective Date") between the City of Darien, an Illinois municipal corporation ("Municipality") and MC Squared Energy Services, LLC (mc²) (Supplier") (each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties").

RECITALS

A. The Municipality has established an Electricity Aggregation Program ("Program") pursuant to the Aggregation Ordinance and the Aggregation Statute, and will conduct the Program as an opt-out program pursuant to the Aggregation Ordinance and the Aggregation Statute.

B. The purpose of this Agreement is for the Supplier to provide the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply Services and the Program Implementation Services as defined herein (collectively, the "Services") to all Eligible Customers who choose not to opt out of or choose to opt in to the Program, as the case may be, throughout the Term of this Agreement at the Price established in this Agreement.

C. The Supplier acknowledges and agrees that it has all certifications, authorizations, qualifications, and approvals necessary pursuant to the Requirements of Law to sell Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to Eligible Customers pursuant to this Agreement, including without limitation that:

- a. Supplier is certified by the Illinois Commerce Commission as a Retail Electric Supplier and is authorized to sell Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to customers in the State of Illinois utilizing the existing transmission and distribution systems of ComEd within the service areas of ComEd;
- b. Supplier is currently registered with ComEd to serve residential and small commercial customers under Rate RESS - Retail Electric Supplier Service with Rider PORCB - Purchase of Receivables and Consolidated Billing; and
- c. Supplier has at least three years continuous experience as a Retail Electric Supplier and has provided Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to at least 25,000 residential or commercial customers.
- d. Supplier acknowledges and agrees that it will provide the Services, including without limitation Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to all Participating Customers, pursuant to the Bid Package, the Bid Response, this Agreement, and the Requirements of Law.

e. The Municipality desires to enter into this Agreement with Supplier for the provision by the Supplier of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to all Eligible Customers pursuant to the Program.

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the Municipality and the Supplier agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 RECITALS

1.1 The foregoing recitals are, by this reference, fully incorporated into and made part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 DEFINITIONS

The following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

2.1. "Aggregate" means the total number of Eligible Customers that are within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Municipality.

2.2. "Aggregation Ordinance" means that certain ordinance adopted by the Municipality authorizing the Program.

2.3. "Aggregation Statute" means Section 1-92 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3855/1-92 and applicable rules and regulations of the Illinois Commerce Commission.

2.4. "Billing Services" means those services described in Section 4.4 of this Agreement, including all subsections of Section 4.4.

2.5. "ComEd" means Commonwealth Edison.

2.6. "Compliance Services" means those services identified in Section 4.5 of this Agreement, including all subsections of Section 4.5.

2.7. "Confidential Information" means the information defined in Section 9 of this Agreement.

2.8. "Customer Information" means that certain information that the Electric Utility or Former Aggregation Supplier is required to provide by statute (including the Aggregation Statute), regulation, tariff, or contract to the corporate authorities of the Municipality pursuant to the Aggregation Statute, including without limitation those names and addresses and Electric Utility account numbers of residential and small commercial retail customers in the Aggregate area that are reflected in the Electric Utility or Former Aggregation Supplier's records at the time of the request.

2.9. "Data" means the data defined in Section 9 of this Agreement.

2.10. "Electric Utility" means ComEd.

2.11. "Eligible Customers" means residential and small commercial electricity customers receiving Full-Requirements Electricity Supply within the Municipality who are eligible to participate in the Program pursuant to the Aggregation Statute and the Requirements of Law. Eligible Customers may be further classified as recipients of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply from Supplier or Tariff Service, based on the parameters defined in Exhibit A of this Agreement by the Supplier and by such standards as mutually agreed to by the Supplier and Municipality and as carried out by the Supplier.

2.12. "Energy" means generated electricity.

2.13. "Enrollment Services" means those services described in Section 4.3 of this Agreement, including all subsections of Section 4.3.

2.14. "Former Aggregation Supplier" means the RES that supplied the Program of the Municipality immediately prior to Supplier under this Agreement. If Former Aggregation Supplier as defined would be Supplier or ComEd, then no Former Aggregation Supplier is considered to exist.

2.15. "Force Majeure Event" means the circumstances defined in Section 7.1 of this Agreement.

2.16. "Full-Requirements Electricity Supply" means all services or charges necessary to provide the continuous supply of electricity to all Participating Customers, including, without limitation, Energy, capacity, losses, imbalances, load factor adjustments, transmission costs, congestion charges, marginal losses, ancillary services, Purchase of Receivables and Consolidated Billing (PORCB), taxes applicable only to the Supplier, and any additional necessary services or charges required under Requirements of Law.

2.17. "Full-Requirements Electricity Supply Services" means those portions of the Services described in Section 4.1 of this Agreement, including all subsections of Section 4.1.

2.18. "ICC" means the Illinois Commerce Commission.

2.19. "Independent System Operator" or "ISO" means that certain independent system operator for the Electric Utility established pursuant to the Public Utilities Act, 220 ILCS 5/16-626.

2.20. "Joint Power Supply Bid" means the bidding process conducted by NIMEC on behalf of the Municipality to identify the Supplier.

2.21. "New Customers" means the customers defined in Section 4.3.9 of this Agreement.

2.22. "Opt-Out Notice" means the notices described in Section 4.2.1.1 of this Agreement and provided to Eligible Customers informing them of their ability to opt-out of the Program pursuant to the Requirements of Law.

2.23. "Opt-Out Period" means the time prior to the implementation of the Program during which Eligible Customers may choose not to participate in the Program pursuant to the Requirements of Law.

2.24. "Opt-Out Process" means the process defined in Section 4.2.1 of this Agreement.

2.25. "Participating Customers" means those Eligible Customers who do not opt out of the Program and are not Special Billing Customers, and New Customers.

2.26. "Plan of Governance" or "POG" means that certain Plan of Operation and Governance approved by the Municipality pursuant to the Aggregation Statute.

2.27. "Point of Delivery" means the point specified by the Electric Utility at which the Supplier must deliver the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Electric Utility for distribution to Participating Customers.

2.28. "Price" means the price at which the Supplier will provide the Services as set forth in Exhibit A to this Agreement.

2.29. "Program" means the electricity aggregation program operated by the Municipality in accordance with the Aggregation Statute and authorized by the Aggregation Ordinance, to aggregate residential and small commercial retail electrical loads located within the corporate limits of the Municipality for the purpose of soliciting and entering into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the sale and purchase of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply and related Services.

2.30. "Program Implementation Services" means those portions of the Services described in Section 4.2 of this Agreement, including all subsections of Section 4.2.

2.31 "Requirements of Law" means the Aggregation Ordinance, the Aggregation Statute, the Illinois Public Utilities Act, the Illinois Consumer Fraud Act, the Plan of Governance, the rules, and regulations and final decisions of the ICC and Illinois Power Agency (including the ICC Final Order in Docket No. 11-0434 issued on April 4, 2012), the rules, regulations and tariffs applicable to the Electric Utility and the Independent System Operator or Regional Transmission Organization, and all other applicable federal, state, and local laws, orders, rules, and regulations, all as may be hereinafter duly amended.

2.32. "Retail Electric Supplier" or "RES" means an "alternative retail electric supplier" as that term is defined in Section 16-102 of the Public Utilities Act, 220 ILCS 5/16-102.

2.33. "RTO: means Regional Transmission Organization.

2.34. "Services" means the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply Services, Program Implementation Services, Enrollment Services, Billing Services, and Compliance Services provided in Article 4 of this Agreement.

2.35. "Special Billing Customers" means the customers defined in Section 4.3.8 of this Agreement.

2.36. "Supplier" means MC Squared Energy Services, LLC, (mc²) and the lawful successor, transferee, designee, or assignee thereof.

2.37. "Tariffed Service" means the applicable tariffed services provided by the Electric Utility as required by 220 ILCS 5/16-103, which includes ComEd's electricity supply charge plus ComEd's transmission services charge, plus ComEd's purchased electricity adjustment.

2.38. "Term" means the period of time defined in Section 5.1 of this Agreement.

2.39. "Municipality" means the City of Darien.

2.40. "Withdrawing Customer" means a customer defined in Section 4.3.5 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 Municipality Responsibilities.

3.1.1 Customer Information. The Municipality shall, with the assistance of the Supplier, pursuant to the Requirements of Law, obtain the Customer Information from ComEd and/or the previous supplier.

3.1.2 Notices and Customer Information from ComEd and/or the previous supplier. The Municipality shall promptly forward to Supplier the Customer Information received from ComEd and/or the previous supplier and each Party will promptly provide to the other Party any notices received by that Party from ComEd and/or the previous supplier concerning the accounts of Eligible or Participating Customers relevant to the Program and/or the Services provided pursuant to this Agreement.

3.1.3 Submittals to ComEd. The Municipality shall, with the assistance of Supplier, submit to ComEd (a) the "Government Authority Aggregation Form", (b) a list of Eligible Customers who are not Participating Customers because they have elected to opt out of the Program, and (c) a list of all Participating Customers, and (d) such other forms as are or may become necessary to access interval data for billing or non-billing purposes to the extent that Supplier is authorized to access such data.

3.1.4 No Municipality Obligations to Provide Services. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Municipality is not responsible to provide, and this Agreement shall not be construed to create any responsibility for the Municipality to provide, the Services to any person or entity, including without limitation the Supplier, the Electric Utility, the ISO/RTO, Eligible Customers, Special Billing Customers, New Customers or Participating Customers.

3.1.5 No Municipality Financial Responsibility. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement does not impose or create, and shall not be construed to create, any financial obligation of the Municipality to any other person or entity, including without limitation the Supplier, the Electric Utility, the ISO, Eligible Customers, Special Billing Customers, or Participating Customers.

3.2 Supplier Obligations.

3.2.1 Provision of Services. The Supplier will provide all of the Services described in Article 4 of this Agreement throughout the Term, including but not limited to the provision of sufficient Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to allow the Electric Utility to deliver and distribute uninterrupted electric service to all Participating Customers. The Supplier acknowledges and agrees that the Municipality is not responsible to provide, and shall not be liable to the Supplier or any Eligible Customer for any failure to provide, any Services pursuant to this Agreement.

3.2.2 Compliance with the Requirements of Law. Supplier shall comply with all Requirements of Law.

3.2.3 Supplier Press Releases. The Supplier may issue press releases concerning the Program that are approved in advance by the Municipality prior to issuance.

3.2.4 That all information provided by the Supplier to Municipality or any of its agents relating to this Agreement in any way shall be true and accurate in all respects at all times to the best of Supplier's knowledge.

3.2.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Supplier shall not have an obligation to provide Full-Requirements Electricity Supply or Billing Services to a Participating Customer or New Customer as selected by Supplier pursuant to Exhibit A to receive a Tariffed Services.

ARTICLE 4 SUPPLIER SERVICES

4.1 Full Requirements Electricity Supply: The Supplier must supply the following Full-Requirements Electricity Supply Services as provided in this Section 4.1 to Participating Customers classified as receiving Full-Requirements Electricity Supply.

4.1.1 Scheduling, Transmission and Delivery of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply.

4.1.1.1 Generally. The Supplier shall take all actions necessary to arrange for the scheduling, transmission, and delivery of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Electric Utility for distribution to all Participating Customers.

4.1.1.2 Scheduling. Supplier shall schedule the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply for distribution as required by the ISO/RTO and the Electric Utility.

4.1.1.3 Distribution and Transmission Rights. Supplier will arrange for necessary distribution and transmission rights necessary for the delivery of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Electric Utility hereunder.

4.1.1.4 Transmission and Delivery to Electric Utility.

4.1.1.4.1 Transmission and Delivery. Supplier will cause to be transmitted and delivered to the Electric Utility at the Delivery Point sufficient Energy to provide continuous Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to all Participating Customers. The Municipality acknowledges that the Electric Utility, and not the Supplier, is responsible for the distribution of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Participating Customers after delivery by the Supplier to the Delivery Point, and that Supplier does not take responsibility for the distribution of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to Participating Customers after the Supplier provides Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Point of Delivery.

4.1.1.4.2 Failure of Delivery. Supplier acknowledges and agrees that if the Supplier fails to comply with any requirement related to the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to the Participating Customers pursuant to this Agreement, including without limitation if Supplier fails to schedule all or part of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply for any Participating Customer, Supplier shall be solely responsible for any additional costs, charges, or fees incurred because of such failure, and shall not pass through any such additional costs, charges, or fees to Participating Customers.

4.1.2 Pricing. The Supplier shall receive the Price in full payment for all Services, and shall not be entitled to any additional costs, adjustments, charges, fees, or any other payments or compensation, except that the Supplier may not impose an early termination fee on Withdrawing Customers. The Municipality acknowledges that the Price does not include sales or other consumer-based taxes applicable to Participating Customers or other taxes that are not applicable to the Supplier.

4.2 Program Implementation Services. The Supplier must supply the following Program Implementation Services as provided in this Section 4.2:

4.2.1 Opt-Out Process. Supplier, at its sole cost and expense, shall, with the assistance of the Municipality, administer the process by which Eligible Customers are provided with the opportunity to opt-out of the Program prior to its implementation (the "Opt-Out Process"), including, but not limited to, the following:

4.2.1.1 Opt-Out Notices. Supplier, at its own expense, shall be fully responsible to prepare and mail form Opt-Out Notices to all Eligible Customers as required pursuant to the Requirements of Law. Opt-Out Notices must include all information required pursuant to the Requirements of Law, including without limitation including the terms and conditions of participation in the Program, the cost to the Customer of Full-Requirements Electricity Supply under the Program,

the methods by which Customers may opt out of the Program, and the length of the Opt-Out Period. The Opt-Out Notices must prominently include the toll-free telephone number and email address to receive Opt Outs. The form and content of the Opt-Out Notices must be approved by the Municipality prior to mailing by the Supplier. In addition to the Opt-Out Notices, the Supplier will provide Participating Customers with terms and conditions for the provision of Full Requirements Electric Supply to those Participating Customers, which terms and conditions shall comply with and accurately reflect all of the requirements of this Agreement and the Requirements of Law.

4.2.1.2 Notices to Special Billing Customers. The Municipality acknowledges that the Supplier may provide notices to Special Billing Customers concerning the Program, the Price, the rates charged to Special Billing Customers under their existing service, and the opportunity for Special Billing Customers to opt in to the Program as provided in Section 4.3.9 of this Agreement. Without regard to whether it is required under Applicable Law, Municipality agrees to send pursuant to Section 4.2.1.1 notices to customers currently on Tariffed Service who will remain on Tariffed Services while participating in the program. This notice shall inform the customer of the existence of the Program and inform the customer that the customer will stay on Tariffed Services as participants.

4.2.1.3 Toll Free Number and Email Address. In addition to receiving completed Opt-Out Notices from Eligible Customers by mail, the Supplier shall, at its own expense, provide, operate, and maintain an email address for the use of Eligible Customers to opt out of the Program. The email address must be operational during normal business hours and the secure website must be operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week during the Opt-Out Period. The Opt-Out Notices must prominently include both the toll-free number and the email. In addition, Supplier will use reasonable commercial efforts to work with the Municipality to develop website content and FAQ's appropriate for posting on the Municipality's website. Supplier will be required to support Spanish speaking residents and customers with disabilities.

4.2.1.4 Reporting. During the Opt-Out Period, Supplier is responsible for receipt of all Opt-Out Notices. Supplier must assemble, track, and report to the Municipality concerning the delivery and receipt of all Opt-Out Notices to and from Eligible Customers, including without limitation providing the Municipality with complete information concerning all Eligible Customers who choose to opt-out of the Program whether by mail, telephone, or email.

4.2.2 Required Disclosures. Supplier shall provide Eligible Customers with all information required to be disclosed to Eligible Customers concerning Full-Requirements Electricity Supply and the Program pursuant to the Requirements of Law, including without limitation all information required to be included in the Opt-Out Notices.

4.2.3 Disclosure to Commission. The Municipality agrees to provide such assistance as is necessary for Supplier to provide to the ICC pursuant to 83 Ill. Admin. Code §

470.200(a) required information within three business days of the signing of this Agreement.

4.3 Enrollment Services. The Supplier must supply the following Enrollment Services as provided in this Section 4.3:

4.3.1 Record of Participating Customers. Following the completion of the Opt-Out Period, the Supplier shall be responsible to compile a complete list of all Participating Customers and those Eligible Customers who have opted out of the Program, and shall ensure that no Eligible Customers who have opted out are enrolled in the Program.

4.3.2 Enrollment. Upon completion of the Opt-Out Process and the identification of all Eligible Customers who have opted out of the Program, the Supplier shall, at its sole cost and expense, take all actions necessary to enroll Participating Customers in the Program pursuant to the Requirements of Law.

4.3.3 Term of Enrollment. Participating Customers who do not opt out of the Program shall be enrolled in the Program by the Supplier, and shall remain enrolled in the Program until the end of the Term, unless the Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms or the Participating Customer withdraws from the Program pursuant to Section 4.3.6 of this Agreement

4.3.4 Direct Access Service Request. The Supplier shall submit a direct access service request to ComEd for each Participating Customer or New Customer classified as receiving Full-Requirements Electricity Services from Supplier in compliance with the "standard switching" subsection of Rate RDS - Retail Delivery Service, in order to allow Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to commence.

4.3.5 Withdrawal by a Participating Customer. For Participating Customers who notify the Supplier after the completion of the Opt-Out Period that the Participating Customer desires to withdraw from the Program ("Withdrawing Customer"), the Supplier must, to the extent Withdrawing Customer was taking Full-Requirements Electricity Supply from Supplier, request that the Electric Utility drop the Withdrawing Customer from the Supplier's Full-Requirements Electricity Supply according to Requirements of the Law, which will result in restoring such Withdrawing Customer to Tariffed Service. The Supplier will not assess an early termination fee, but the Withdrawing Customer will be responsible to pay for charges incurred for service prior to the termination.

4.3.6 Customer Service Inquiries. After completion of the Opt-Out Period, Supplier must maintain and operate a toll-free telephone number and an email address for the purpose of receiving questions and comments from Participating Customers concerning the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply. The Supplier may inform Participating Customers that questions about the delivery and billing of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply should be directed to ComEd. Supplier must promptly and courteously address customer service inquiries in a manner that meets or exceeds the ICC requirements for the operation of call centers.

4.3.7 Special Billing Customers. Subject to the Requirements of Law and due to the minimal and/or fixed nature of their existing billing rates, the following Eligible Customers shall not be automatically enrolled in the Program, but some may subsequently elect to enroll in the Program as New Customers pursuant to Section 4.3.9 of this Agreement:

4.3.7.1. Any Eligible Customer in the residential customer class, as described in Section 4.4.2 of this Agreement, that is taking service under the following ComEd rates:

- Rate BESH – Basic Electric Service Hourly Pricing
- Rate RTOUPP – Residential Time Of Use Pricing Pilot
- Rate RDS – Retail Delivery Service
- Rider POGNM – Parallel Operation of Retail Customer Generating Facilities with Net Metering; and
- Rate BES Customers with a Utility indicator intended to identify customers currently receiving PIPP or currently or in last 12 months receiving LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program), the “16-115E Flag” per 220 ILCS 5/16-115E

4.3.7.2. Any Eligible Customer in the commercial customer class, as described in Section 4.4.2 of this Agreement, that is taking service under the following ComEd rates:

- Rate BESH – Basic Electric Service Hourly Pricing
- Rate RDS – Retail Delivery Service; and
- Rider POGNM – Parallel Operation of Retail Customer Generating Facilities with Net Metering

(Collectively, the "Special Billing Customers").

4.3.8 New Customers. After the commencement of the Program and the enrollment of Participating Customers, the Supplier shall, at the request of a New Customer, as defined in this Section 4.3.8, immediately enroll the following customers in the Program as Participating Customers and provide Full-Requirements Electricity Supply at the Price to extent such customers are classified by Supplier as eligible for Full-Requirements Electricity Supply from Supplier:

- 4.3.8.1. Any Eligible Customer within the Municipality that moves to a new location within the Municipality;
- 4.3.8.2. Any Eligible Customer that moves into an existing location within the Municipality; and
- 4.3.8.3 Any Eligible Customer that previously opted out of the Program during the Opt-Out Period
- 4.3.8.4 Any Eligible Customer that was inadvertently omitted from the list of Participating Customers and not enrolled in the Program; and

4.3.8.5. Any Eligible Customer with the “16-115E Flag,” per 220 ILCS 5/16-115E

(Collectively, the "New Customers").

4.4 Billing Services. The Supplier must supply the following Billing Services as provided in this Section 4.4 for all Participating Customers currently receiving Full-Requirements Electricity Supply service from Supplier pursuant to the Agreement:

4.4.1 Billing Generally. Supplier shall confirm that billing to Eligible Customers will be provided by ComEd under a consolidated billing format pursuant to "Rider PORCB – Purchase of Receivables and Consolidated Billing," and pursuant to the Requirements of Law. The Municipality acknowledges and agrees that ComEd will bill Participating Customers for the Price of the Full-Requirements Electricity Supply as part of its billing for the distribution of such supply, and that the Supplier shall not be responsible for billing Participating Customers

4.4.2 Customer Classes. Eligible Customers shall be categorized within either the residential or commercial customer classes according to the applicable rates under which they received electricity supply from ComEd prior to participating in the Program.

4.4.2.1 Residential Customer Class. The residential customer class shall include Participating Customers taking service from ComEd under the following rates:

- Residential Single Family Without Electric Space Heat Delivery Class
- Residential Single Family With Electric Space Heat Delivery Class
- Residential Multi Family Without Electric Space Heat Delivery Class
- Residential Multi Family With Electric Space Heat Delivery Class

4.4.2.1 Commercial Customer Class. The commercial customer class shall include those Participating Customers taking service from ComEd under the following rates:

- 15,000 (annual) kWhs or less small commercial customers as defined under the Requirements of Law including the ComEd Rate GAP Tariff
- Notwithstanding the preceding, any customer defined as “Rate Code B93” indicating a special rate with ComEd will be excluded from Participating Customers

4.5 Compliance Services. The Supplier shall assist the Municipality in complying with any current or future Requirements of Law concerning the operation of the Program, including without limitation the provision of reports or other information as the Municipality may reasonably request from time to time.

4.6 Following the completion of the Opt-Out Period, the Supplier shall be responsible to compile a complete list of all Participating Customers in the Program. Supplier will update this list as new customers are added and deleted. Supplier will make this list available to the

Municipality at any time the Municipality requests the list. Additionally, within 150 days of the end of this agreement, Supplier will make the Program's load data by rate class available to the Municipality. Load data shall include:

- Historical Usage Data
- Capacity Peak Load Contribution (PLC) values and effective start and end dates
- Network Service Peak Load Contribution (PLC) values and effective start and end dates
- Meter Bill Group Number
- Rate Code

4.7 Upon request of the Municipality, Supplier agrees to implement a second (supplemental) mailing at the Supplier's cost to new residents 12 months after the beginning of a 24-month term agreement, and also a third mailing at 24 months, if a 36-month term is selected. Each of these mailings will be at the option of the Municipality. Following the initial opt-out process conducted by the Supplier, each supplemental opt out mailing shall be conducted in the same manner as the initial opt out mailing; provided, however, that no supplemental Opt-Out Notices shall be sent to (i) Participating Customers, (ii) Eligible Customers that have previously (at such customer's same service address or account) opted out of, or rescinded under, the Program, (iii) those residents who have individually selected an electric supplier other than the Supplier, or (iv) Special Billing Customers. The Supplier shall provide Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to such applicable newly Eligible Customers at the same, then-current Price as that applicable to Participating Customers. Supplier will be responsible for all costs associated with the mailing, including ComEd charges.

4.8 Should the supplier purchase Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) for this transaction, the RECs should be tracked and retired within the PJM GATS or M-RETS system if applicable. On Exhibit A, the quantity of RECs to be retired in the name of the Community should be listed and the generation type (i.e. wind and solar) labeled as meeting the minimum standards for participation in the EPA Green Power Community Program listing or not. The Supplier will provide a detailed report on the specific RECs purchased and retired for this transaction in the name of the Municipality including the Serial Numbers of all RECs, REC generation type, REC generation location, REC volume and applicable month of generation.

ARTICLE 5 TERM

5.1 Term. This Agreement commences as of the Effective Date and is for a term of Twelve (12) consecutive monthly billing periods starting from the initial meter read date designated by the Municipality in consultation with the Supplier in September 2023 and expires at the end of the last day of the 12th billing cycle for the Participating Customer(s) with the latest billing cycle (the "Term").

5.2 In the event this Agreement is not renewed or terminated for any reason, including expiration according to its terms, the Municipality may choose another RES or Retail Electric Supplier and Supplier shall allow all Participating Customers to be switched to the selected RES, or all Participating Customers shall be switched by the Supplier to service with ComEd in accord with the standard switching rules and applicable notices or as otherwise required by any applicable law or regulation.

ARTICLE 6 REMEDIES AND TERMINATION

6.1 Municipality's General Remedies. In addition to every other right or remedy provided to the Municipality under this Agreement, if the Supplier fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Agreement (for reason other than a Force Majeure Event pursuant to Section 7.1 of this Agreement or a Regulatory Event pursuant to Section 7.2 of this Agreement, then the Municipality may give notice to the Supplier specifying that failure. The Supplier will have fifteen (15) calendar days after the date of that notice to take all necessary steps to comply fully with this Agreement, unless (a) this Agreement specifically provides for a shorter cure period or (b) an imminent threat to the public health, safety, or welfare arises that requires a shorter cure period, in which case the notice must specify the cure period, or (c) compliance cannot reasonably be achieved within 15 calendar days but the Supplier promptly commences a cure and diligently pursues the cure to completion. If the Supplier fails to comply within that 15-day period, or the shorter period if an imminent threat, or if the Supplier fails to promptly commence a cure and diligently pursue the cure to completion, then the Municipality, subject to the limits of applicable federal or State of Illinois law, may take any one or more of the following actions:

- 6.1.1 Seek specific performance of any provision of this Agreement or seek other equitable relief, and institute a lawsuit against the Supplier for those purposes.
- 6.1.2 Institute a lawsuit against the Supplier for breach of this Agreement and, except as provided in Section 6.3 of this Agreement, seek remedies and damages as the court may award.
- 6.1.3 In the case of noncompliance with a material provision of this Agreement, declare this Agreement to be terminated in accordance with the following:
 - 6.1.3.1 The Municipality will give written notice to the Supplier of the Municipality's intent to terminate this Agreement ("Termination Notice"). The notice will set forth with specificity the nature of the noncompliance. The Supplier will have 30 calendar days after receipt of the notice to object in writing to termination, to state its reasons for that objection, and to propose a remedy for the circumstances. If the Municipality has not received a response from the Supplier, or if the Municipality does not agree with the Supplier's response or any remedy proposed by the Supplier, then the Municipality will conduct a hearing on the proposed termination. The Municipality will serve notice of that hearing on the Supplier at least 10 business days prior to the hearing, specifying the time

and place of the hearing and stating the Municipality's intent to terminate this Agreement.

6.1.3.2 At the hearing, the Supplier will have the opportunity to state its position on the matter, present evidence, and question witnesses. Thereafter, the Municipality will determine whether or not this Agreement will be terminated. The hearing must be public and held on record.

6.1.3.3 The decision of the Municipality must be in writing and delivered to the Supplier by certified mail.

If the rights and privileges granted to the Supplier under this Agreement are terminated, then the Supplier, within 14 calendar days after the Municipality's demand, must reimburse the Municipality for all costs and expenses incurred by the Municipality, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, in connection with that termination of rights or with any other enforcement action undertaken by the Municipality.

6.2 Actions on Termination or Expiration of this Agreement. This Agreement shall terminate upon the expiration of the Term or an Extended Term, as applicable (with the understanding that the expiration of service for any particular Participating Customer will be tied to that customer's billing cycle), or the Municipality's termination of the Agreement pursuant to Section 6.1 or 4.1.2. Upon termination as a result of expiration of the Term (absent agreement upon an Extended Term), or upon termination as a result of expiration of an Extended Term, as applicable, Supplier shall return Participating Customers to Tariffed Service upon expiration of the Term or Extended Term, as applicable, on the first available meter read. In the event of the Municipality's termination of the Agreement prior to the end of the Term or Extended Term pursuant to Section 6.1.c, as applicable, Supplier shall return Participating Customers to Tariffed Service on the second available meter read in order to provide the opportunity for Participating Customers to identify alternate sources of electrical supply prior to returning to Tariffed Service. Participating Customers shall not be liable for any termination fee as a result of such termination or expiration in accordance with the preceding sentences of this Section 6.2. Supplier shall not be responsible to any Participating Customer for any damages or penalties resulting from the return to Tariffed Service, including claims relating to the Tariffed Service price being higher than the Price herein.

6.3 Limitation of Liability. Except for the Supplier's failure to provide Full-Requirements Electricity Supply to Participating Customers classified as eligible for Full-Requirements Electricity Supply from Supplier who have not terminated their agreement or the disclosure of Customer Information in violation of the Requirements of Law, or as otherwise specifically provided herein, in no event will either Party be liable to the other Party under this Agreement for incidental, indirect, special, or consequential damages connected with or resulting from performance or non-performance of this Agreement, irrespective of whether such claims are based upon breach of warranty, tort (including negligence of any degree), strict liability, contract, operation of law or otherwise.

ARTICLE 7

FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS AND REGULATORY EVENTS

7.1 Force Majeure Events. The Supplier shall not be held in default under, or in noncompliance with, the provisions of the Agreement, nor suffer any enforcement or penalty relating to noncompliance or default (including termination, cancellation or revocation of the Franchise), where such noncompliance or alleged defaults occurred or were caused by a "Force Majeure Event," defined as a strike, riot, war, earthquake, flood, tidal wave, unusually severe rain or snow storm, hurricane, tornado or other catastrophic act of nature, labor disputes, or other event that is reasonably beyond the Supplier's ability to anticipate or control. . Non-compliance or default attributable to a Force Majeure Event shall be corrected within a reasonable amount of time after the Force Majeure Event has ceased.

7.2 Regulatory Event. The following shall constitute a "Regulatory Event":

- a. Illegality. It becomes unlawful for a Party to perform any obligation under this Agreement due to the adoption of any new, or change in the interpretation of any existing applicable law by any judicial or government authority with competent jurisdiction.
- b. Adverse Government Action. A regulatory, legislative or judicial body (A) requires a material change to the terms of this Agreement that materially and adversely affects a Party or (B) takes action that adversely and materially impacts a Party's ability to perform, or requires a delay in the performance of this Agreement that either Party determines to be unreasonable or (C) orders a change or modification that affects the Program such that either Party's obligations hereunder are materially changed, and the change is not deemed a Force Majeure Event.
- c. New Charges. Any material increase in generation, energy, or utility taxes or charges enacted and effective after the Effective Date of this Agreement. These charges would not be unique to Supplier's customers, but would apply to all customers in ComEd's rate classifications. The imposition of such tax or charge after the Effective Date of this Agreement is not subject to automatic pass-through in Price, but would only constitute a Regulatory Event if the imposition of the charge materially and adversely affects Supplier's ability to perform.
- d. Occurrence of Regulatory Event. **Within ten (10) days** of the occurrence of a Regulatory Event, the adversely affected Party shall give notice to the other Party that such event has occurred. Within thirty (30) days, or such other period as the Parties may agree in writing, the Parties shall enter into good faith negotiations to amend or replace this Agreement so that the adversely affected Party is restored as nearly as possible to the economic position it would have been in but for the occurrence of the Regulatory Event. If the Parties are unable to agree upon an amendment to this Agreement, within thirty (30) days or such other period as the Parties may agree in writing, the adversely affected Party shall have the right, upon ten (10) days prior written notice, to terminate and close out its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8
INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

8.1 Indemnification. The Supplier shall indemnify and hold harmless the Municipality, its officers, employees, agents, and attorneys, from and against any third-party injuries, claims, demands, judgments, damages, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit or defense, arising from the Supplier's provision of the Services, except to the extent caused by the sole negligence of the Municipality. This duty shall survive for all claims made or actions filed within one (1) year following either the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. The Municipality shall give the Supplier timely written notice of its obligation to indemnify and defend the Municipality after the Municipality's receipt of a claim or action pursuant to this Section. For purposes of this Section, the word "timely" shall mean within a time period that does not cause prejudice to the respective positions of the Supplier and/or the Municipality. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the Supplier's duty to indemnify the Municipality by reference to the limits of insurance coverage described in this Agreement.

8.2 Insurance. Contemporaneous with the Supplier's execution of this Agreement, the Supplier shall provide certificates of insurance, all with coverages and limits as set forth in Exhibit B to this Agreement. For good cause shown, the Municipality Manager, Municipality Administrator, or his or her designee may extend the time for submission of the required policies of insurance upon such terms, and with such assurances of complete and prompt performance, as the Municipality Manager, Municipality Administrator, or his or her designee may impose in the exercise of his sole discretion. Such certificates and policies shall be in a form acceptable to the Municipality and from companies with a general rating of A minus, and a financial size category of Class X or better, in Best's Insurance Guide. Such insurance policies shall provide that no change, modification in, or cancellation of, any insurance shall become effective until the expiration of 30 days after written notice thereof shall have been given by the insurance company to the Municipality. The Supplier shall, at all times during the term of this Agreement, maintain and keep in force, at the Supplier's expense, the insurance coverages provided above.

ARTICLE 9
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

9.1 Confidential and Proprietary Information. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the Parties are not required to disclose information which they reasonably deem to be proprietary or confidential in nature. The Parties agree that any information disclosed by a Party and designated as proprietary and confidential shall only be disclosed to those officials, employees, representatives, and agents of the other Party that have a need to know in order to administer and enforce this Agreement. For purposes of this Section, the terms "proprietary or confidential" include, but are not limited to, information relating to a Party's corporate structure and affiliates, marketing plans, financial information unrelated to the calculation of the Price or rates pursuant to the Requirements of Law, or other information that is reasonably determined by a Party to be competitively sensitive. A Party may make proprietary or confidential information available for inspection but not copying or removal by the other Party's representatives. Compliance by the Municipality with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. ("Illinois FOIA"), including compliance with an opinion or directive from the Illinois Public

Access Counselor or the Illinois Attorney General under the Illinois FOIA, or with a decision or order of a court with jurisdiction over the Municipality, shall not be a violation of this Section.

9.2 Ownership of Data and Documents. All data and information, regardless of its format, developed or obtained under this Agreement ("Data"), other than the Supplier's Confidential Information, will be and remain the sole property of the Municipality. The Supplier must promptly deliver all Data to the Municipality at the Municipality's request. The Supplier is responsible for the care and protection of the Data until that delivery. The Supplier may retain one copy of the Data for the Supplier's records subject to the Supplier's continued compliance with the provisions of this Agreement.

9.3 Limitations on Customer Information. Both Parties acknowledge and agree that the Customer Information is subject to, and must be maintained in compliance with, the limitations on disclosure of the Customer Information established by the Requirements of Law, including without limitation the Aggregation Statute, Section 16-122 of the Public Utilities Act, 220 ILCS 5/16-102, and Section 2HH of the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, 815 ILCS 505/2HH.

9.4 Limitations on Customer Information. Both Parties acknowledge and agree that the Customer Information is subject to, and must be maintained in compliance with, the limitations on disclosure of the Customer Information established by the Requirements of Law, including without limitation the Aggregation Statute, Section 16-122 of the Public Utilities Act, 220 ILCS 5/16-102, Section 2HH of the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, 815 ILCS 505/2HH, the ICC Order in Case No. 11-0434 issued April 4, 2012, and the provisions of ComEd's Tariff Rate GAP. Municipality shall warrant to ComEd that customer-specific information provided to the Municipality in accordance with the provisions of ComEd's Tariff Rate GAP shall be treated as confidential. To protect the confidentiality of Customer Information:

9.4.1 Supplier access to Customer Information is limited those authorized representatives of Supplier, or any third party, who have a need to know the information for purposes of this Agreement.

9.4.2 Supplier warrants that it will not disclose, use, sell, or provide Customer Information to any person, firm or entity for any purpose outside of the aggregation program.

9.4.3 Supplier and Municipality acknowledge that Customer Information remains the property of the Municipality and that material breaches of confidentiality will prohibit Supplier from placing any new bids to the Municipality's subsequent Request(s) for Qualifications for a period of one year after termination of this Agreement.

9.4.4 Supplier warrants that it will delete and/or destroy the Customer Information described in Items 18 through 23 of the Company Obligations Section of ComEd's Tariff Rate GAP, and provided by Municipality, within 60 days after ComEd provides the information to Municipality. Municipality will offer its assistance to ensure that Supplier meets these requirements and deadlines.

9.5 Proprietary Rights, Survival. Each Party acknowledges the proprietary rights of the other Party in and to the Confidential Information. The obligations under this Article Nine shall survive the conclusion or termination of this Agreement for two (2) years.

ARTICLE 10
MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 Notices. Any notices, requests or demands regarding the services provided under this Agreement and the Attachments shall be deemed to be properly given or made (i) if by hand delivery, on the day and at the time on which delivered to the intended recipient at its address set forth in this Agreement; (ii) if sent by U.S. Postal Service mail certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed to the intended recipient at its address shown below; or (iii) if by Federal Express or other reputable express mail service, on the next Business Day after delivery to such express service, addressed to the intended recipient at its address set forth in this Agreement. The address of a Party to which notices or other communications shall be mailed may be changed from time to time by giving written notice to the other Party.

To Municipality
City of Darien
1702 Plainfield Road
Darien, Illinois 60561

To Supplier
Charles C Sutton
President
MC Squared Energy Services, LLC
175 W Jackson Blvd Ste 240
Chicago IL 60604
Fax: 877-281-1279

With a copy to:
City of Darien
1702 Plainfield Road
Darien, Illinois 60561

With a copy to:
Jeremiah McGair
Senior Counsel
Wolverine
175 W Jackson Blvd Ste 200
Chicago IL 60604
Fax: 312-884-3944

10.2 Mutual Representations and Warranties. Each Party represents and warrants to the other Party, as of the date of this Agreement, that:

- a. It is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization or incorporation, and if relevant under such laws, in good standing;
- b. It has the corporate, governmental and/or other legal capacity, authority and power to execute, deliver and enter into this Agreement and any other related documents, and perform its obligations under this Agreement, and has taken all necessary actions and made all necessary determinations and findings to authorize such execution, delivery and performance;
- c. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement does not violate or conflict with any law applicable to it, any provision of its constitutional documents, any order or

- judgment of any court or other agency of government applicable to it or any of its assets or any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or any of its assets; and
- d. It has reviewed and understands this Agreement; and
 - e. It, to the extent applicable, shall comply with all the Requirements of Law.

10.3 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including all Attachments hereto, contains all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement reached by the Parties, and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements with respect to this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified, amended, altered or supplemented, except by written agreement signed by both Parties hereto. No waiver of any term, provision, or conditions of this Agreement, whether by conduct or otherwise, in any one or more instances, shall be deemed to be, or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof, whether or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver, and no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Party making the waiver.

10.4 Exhibit. Exhibits A and B attached to this Agreement are, by this reference, incorporated into and made part of this Agreement.

10.5 Waivers. The failure of either Party to insist upon strict performance of such requirements or provisions or to exercise any right under this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of such requirements, provisions or rights.

10.6 Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois without regard for the conflicts of law provisions thereof.

10.7 Controlling Provisions. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms herein and the terms of the Exhibits hereto, the provisions of the Agreement shall control.

10.8 Severability. Any provision in this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction. The non-enforcement of any provision by either Party shall not constitute a waiver of that provision nor shall it affect the enforceability of that provision or the remainder of this Agreement.

10.9 Venue. Except as to any matter within the jurisdiction of the ICC, all judicial actions relating to any interpretation, enforcement, dispute resolution or any other aspect of this Agreement shall be brought in the Circuit Court of the State of Illinois, DuPage County, Illinois. Any matter brought pursuant to the jurisdiction of the federal court shall be brought in the United States District Court of the Northern District of Illinois.

10.10 No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to confer third-party beneficiary status on any person, individual, corporation or member of the public to enforce the terms of this Agreement.

10.11 No Waiver of Rights. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any rights, substantive or procedural, that the Municipality may have under Federal or state law unless such waiver is expressly stated herein.

10.12 Validity of Agreement. The Parties acknowledge and agree in good faith on the validity of the provisions, terms and conditions of this Agreement, in their entirety, and that the Parties have the power and authority to enter into the provisions, terms, and conditions of this Agreement.

10.13 Authority to Sign Agreement. Each Party warrants to the other Party that it is authorized to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement. The individual signing this Agreement on behalf of each Party warrants to the other Party that he/she is authorized to execute this Agreement in the name of the Party for which he/she is signing.

10.14 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the Municipality and the Supplier and their respective successors, grantees, lessees, and assigns throughout the Term of this Agreement.

10.15 Non-Assignability. This Agreement shall not be transferred or assigned by the Supplier without the express written authorization of the Municipality, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, provided, that upon advance written notice to the Municipality, Supplier may assign this Agreement to an affiliate without the express authorization of the Municipality.

10.16 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (delivery of which may occur by facsimile or electronic mail), each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall together constitute one instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement to be effective on the date first written above.

Supplier: MC Squared Energy Services, LLC

Municipality: City of Darien

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Printed/Typed Name: Charles C. Sutton

Printed/Typed Name: _____

Title: President

Title: _____

Date: June 6, 2023

Date: _____

**EXHIBIT A
PRICE**

Eligible Customers as defined in Section 2.11 includes all residential and small commercial Aggregation customers within the Municipality excluding customers served by other alternative retail electric suppliers (ARES), including pending “with RES” status; customers served under ComEd’s Hourly Tariffed supply service (Rate RRTP); and participants enrolled in a net metering program through ComEd or an ARES other than the Supplier.

Eligible Customers in the initial and subsequent opt-out cycles will be placed on Supplier service or Tariffed Service as defined in Section 2.37 of the Agreement (i.e. ComEd default tariff supply service) based on Supplier’s criteria including the customer’s usage patterns and wholesale market conditions. Eligible Customers will be assessed the same Customer Class Price and will continue to receive monthly invoice statements from ComEd without regard to whether they are served by Supplier or on Tariffed Service.

Eligible Customer Class Price:

Variable rate equal to the ComEd published tariff supply service costs including the Purchased Electricity Charges (PEC), Transmission Service Charges (TSC) and the Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA) for each applicable month for the Term of the Agreement.

The Parties agree that Supplier has the right to conduct subsequent opt-out cycles to add eligible customer accounts to Supplier Service and/or return eligible accounts to ComEd’s Tariffed Service during the term of the Agreement twice annually traditionally in the spring and fall delivery periods. Supplier will provide at least thirty (30) days-notice to the municipality prior to such events.

Termination Fee for Withdrawing Customers: \$0 (zero)

Delivery Term: 12 Months

09/2023 – 09/2024	Percent of RECs:	Zero
	Civic Contribution:	\$10,000/annually

Supplier will provide an annual \$10,000 Civic Contribution to the Municipality per Term. The Civic Contribution will be payable in equal monthly installment payments (\$834 per month) to the Municipality within 30 days after the last meter read cycle of each delivery month (i.e. September 2023 payment would be paid in November 2023).

MC Squared Energy Services, LLC

Municipality: City of Darien

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Printed/Typed Name: Charles C. Sutton

Printed/Typed Name: _____

Title: President

Title: _____

Date: June 6, 2023

Date: _____

EXHIBIT B**INSURANCE COVERAGES**

- A. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability with limits not less than:
- (1) Worker's Compensation: Statutory;
 - (2) Employer's Liability:
 \$500,000 injury-per occurrence
 \$500,000 disease-per employee
 \$500,000 disease-policy limit
- Such insurance shall evidence that coverage applies in the State of Illinois.
- B. Comprehensive Motor Vehicle Liability with a combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$1,000,000 for vehicles owned, non-owned, or rented. All employees shall be included as insureds.
- C. Comprehensive General Liability
- a. with coverage written on an "occurrence" basis with limits no less than: \$1,000,000
 Bodily Injury and Property Damage Combined Single Limit Coverage is to be written on an "occurrence" basis.
 Coverages shall include:
 Broad Form Property Damage Endorsement
 Blanket Contractual Liability (must expressly cover the indemnity provisions of the Contract)
 - b. with coverage written on a "claims made" basis with limits no less than: \$1,000,000
 Bodily Injury and Property Damage Combined Single Limit Coverage is to be written on an "claims made" bases.
 Coverages shall include:
 Broad Form Property Damage Endorsement
 Blanket Contractual Liability (must expressly cover the indemnity provisions of the Contract)
- D. Professional Liability Insurance. With a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate and covering Consultant against all sums that Consultant may be obligated to pay on account of any liability arising out of the Contract.
- E. Umbrella Policy. The required coverages may be in any combination of primary, excess, and umbrella policies. Any excess or umbrella policy must provide excess coverage over underlying insurance on a following-form basis such that when any loss covered by the primary policy exceeds the limits under the primary policy, the excess or umbrella policy becomes effective to cover such loss.
- F. Owner as Additional Insured. Owner shall be named as an Additional Insured on all policies except for:
 Worker's Compensation
 Professional Liability
- Each such additional Insured endorsement shall identify Owner as follows: City of Darien, including its Board members and elected and appointed officials, its officers, employees, agents, attorneys, consultants, and representatives.
- G. Other Parties as Additional Insureds. In addition to Owner, the following parties shall be named as additional insured on the following policies:
Additional Insured Policy or Policies

City of Darien
Minutes of the Administrative/Finance Committee
April 3, 2023

Chairwoman/Alderwoman Sullivan called the Meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Committee member Schauer was present. City Administrator Vana, and Treasurer Coren and Mayor Marchese were also present.

A resolution accepting a proposal from AIS, Inc. for computer consulting services and back up services in the amount of \$96,024 annually.

Staff advised the City of Darien utilizes an outside consultant to maintain its computer network and systems. Currently, the city has a limited block of hours each month (32 hours) which includes a technician onsite twice a month at an annual price of \$71,163. Staff provided an overview of the city's computer needs. Staff recommended moving to an unlimited block of hours and a technician onsite once a week, which will allow the Police Department, City Hall and Public Works the ability to address computer issues. The contract also includes replacement of up to three computers (desktops, laptops, or tablets) annually. The committee unanimously recommended approval of the resolution

A motion to approve one electronics recycling event with the city's current refuse hauler, Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC (LRS) in an amount not to exceed \$9,800.

Staff advised that the City of Darien sponsored two (2) electronics recycling events for Darien residents in FYE23. These events allowed residents to place their electronics curbside for pick up by LRS. LRS waived the fees last year. The fee charged by LRS is based on the bill count. The cost per home is \$1.23. Both events were well received by the residents. The FYE24 proposed budget includes \$9,800 to continue this service. The committee unanimously recommended approval of this expense.

A resolution approving an Employee Leasing Agreement with GovTempUSA, LLC to provide a Worksite Employee- assignment City Administrator.

Mayor Marchese advised that on March 5, 2018, the City Council unanimously approved an Employee Leasing Agreement with GOVTEMPSUSA, LLC to provide a worksite employee to perform the duties of the City Administrator position, with Administrator Vana serving as the worksite employee. Mayor Marchese advised he and Administrator Vana would like to renew the current employee leasing agreement between GovTemps and Darien, which expires in June. Staff provided a summary of the agreement and advised that this agreement provides a significant cost savings of approximately \$70,000 per year to the city due to the reduction in estimated salary and the elimination of employee benefits. The committee unanimously recommended approval of the resolution

Minutes – February 6, 2023 – The committee unanimously approved the minutes.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Approved:

Mary Sullivan, Chairwoman _____

Ted Schauer, Member _____

Gerry Leganski, Member _____