RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:

COUNTY OF NEVADA 950 MAIDU AVENUE NEVADA CITY, CALIFORNIA 95959 ATTENTION: ALISON A. BARRATT-GREEN, COUNTY COUNSEL

NO RECORDING FEE REQUIRED PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 27383 APN 21-640-09

For valuable consideration, NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1, a political subdivision of the State of California ("*Grantor*"), hereby grants to the COUNTY OF NEVADA, a public body, corporate and politic, and to its successors and assigns ("*Grantee*") and to any **Secured Party** (as defined below), an easement and right of way (including ingress, egress and regress) and all other uses appurtenant thereto to, from, in, over, under, along, and across the land hereinafter described and to exercise the rights and privileges described herein, including but not limited to, to install, enlarge, replace, remove, repair, alter, operate, maintain, inspect and utilize solar power facilities and related improvements and equipment (the "*Easement*").

GRANT OF SOLAR FACILITIES EASEMENT

1. <u>Easement Area</u>. The real property subject to the Easement (the "*Easement Area*") is located in the County of Nevada, State of California, and is more particularly described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" (Description) attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. <u>Purpose</u>. This grant of easement is being made in connection with and in furtherance of (1) an NCREBs Equipment Schedule dated August __, 2016 incorporating therein the terms of a Lease Agreement dated as of August _, 2016 (collectively, as amended or supplemented, the "Lease Agreement") by and between Grantee and the Nevada County Finance Authority ("Authority") pursuant to which, among other things, Authority will provide financing for, and Grantee will agree to cause the installation of, certain solar power facilities and related improvements (all replacements, repairs, restorations, modifications and improvements thereof or thereto, the "Solar Facilities") within the Easement Area and lease them back from Authority and Authority will assign to Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC (with its successors and assigns, "Secured Party") pursuant to an Assignment Agreement (NCREBs Equipment Lease) dated as of August __, 2016 (as amended or supplemented, the "NCREBs Assignment" and collectively with the Lease Agreement, the "Financing Lease") and (2) an

Equipment Sublease/Purchase Agreement (the "Sublease Agreement") to be entered into concurrently herewith by and between Grantee and Grantor pursuant to which Grantee will sublease the Solar Facilities to Grantor.

3. <u>Rights and Privileges of Grantee</u>. This grant of easement shall include the right and privilege of Grantee, Secured Party and its employees, contractors and workers to: (i) use the **Easement** for the following purposes: acquire, install, enlarge, replace, remove, repossess, repair, alter, operate, maintain, inspect and utilize the Solar Facilities; (ii) use tools, equipment, machinery, and materials within the Easement Area as needed in connection with any of the foregoing, and (iii) trim or clear away any trees, brush, or other vegetation or flora, including the roots thereof, and remove improvements, if any, located within the Easement Area or casting shade or shadow over the Easement Area or the Solar Facilities located therein, to install and maintain the Solar Facilities or to ensure direct sunlight on applicable portions of the Solar Facilities to maximize the performance of the Solar Facilities.

4. <u>Term</u>. The term of this **Easement** commences upon the execution and delivery hereof by **Grantor** and its acceptance by **Grantee**; and it shall end on the date on which all of the NCREBs Lease Payments under the NCREBs Equipment Lease (within the meaning of each such term as defined in the **Lease Agreement**) are paid in full, or provision is made for such payment in accordance with the terms thereof, and the NCREBs Equipment Lease has been discharged, but under any circumstances not later than ______, 2046. **Grantor** and **Grantee** may not modify, waive or terminate this **Easement** prior to such date without prior written consent of the NCREBs Lease Assignee (within the meaning of such term as defined in the **Lease Agreement**).

5. <u>Rights upon Expiration of Term</u>. Grantee agrees, upon the expiration of this Easement, to quit and surrender the Easement Area in the same good order and condition as the Easement Area was in at the time of commencement of the term hereof, reasonable wear and tear excepted, and further agrees that the Solar Facilities then existing within the Easement Area will remain thereon and, pursuant to the Sublease Agreement, will become and be the property of Grantor. Grantee also agrees to take any and all steps and execute and record any and all documents reasonably required by Grantor to consummate the termination of its rights and interests hereunder.

6. <u>Amendments.</u> Grantor and Grantee may at any time amend or modify any of the provisions of this Easement, but only with the prior written consent of Secured Party.

12. <u>Assignment</u>. Grantee shall have the right to assign or transfer, without limitation, all or any part of the rights and privileges granted herein, but only with the prior written consent of the Secured Party.

8. <u>Acknowledgements and Agreements for Benefit of Secured Party</u>. Grantor hereby acknowledges and agrees that notwithstanding the means by which the Solar Facilities may be attached or affixed to the Easement Area, the Solar Facilities shall be and remain equipment or other personal property and shall not be considered part of or affixed to the Easement Area. Title to the Solar Facilities is controlled by the terms of the Financing Lease.

9. <u>No Rights of Grantor</u>. Except for the limited use rights set forth in the Sublease Agreement, Grantor has no interest in, right or claim to and lien on the Solar Facilities, including, but not limited to, any right of levy upon the Solar Facilities.

10. <u>Secured Party Right to Enter</u>. The Secured Party may at reasonable times enter upon the Easement Area for the purpose of exercising any right it may have under the terms of the Financing Lease, or otherwise, including, without limitation, the right to physically detach and remove the Solar Facilities from the Easement Area, without any liability whatsoever to Grantor, except for any damages to the buildings or other improvements on the Easement Area directly caused by any failure of the Secured Party to remove or use the Solar Facilities with reasonable care.

11. <u>Right to Occupy</u>. Grantor agrees not to take any action to terminate Grantee's right to occupy the Easement Area or have the Solar Facilities located on the Easement Area without the prior written consent of Secured Party.

12. <u>Real Property Issues</u>. In the event any lien, encumbrance, issue, claim or dispute arises with respect to the Grantor's legal title to (or Grantee's interest in) the Easement Area or access or rights to the Easement Area, for inspection or repossession or any other matters described herein or relating to Grantor's, Grantee's and/or Secured Party's valid and marketable use of or title to the Easement Area (each of the foregoing referred to as a "*Real Property Issue*"), Grantor will take all steps necessary to promptly quiet, resolve and/or eliminate such Real Property Issue and/or provide Grantee and Secured Party with, or as applicable, will take all reasonable steps to ensure the Grantee and Secured Party have adequate access and rights to the Easement Area for purposes of accessing, inspecting and/or repossessing (if necessary) the Solar Facilities or exercising the other rights contemplated herein and Grantor shall ensure that its fee interest in the Easement Area remains free and clear of Real Property Issues.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has executed this instrument this _____ day of _____, 2016.

GRANTOR:

NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1, a political subdivision of the State of California

By:

Attest:

Name______

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
COUNTY OF NEVADA))	SS.

On ______ before me, ______, Notary Public,

personally appeared ______, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose names(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF EASEMENT AREA

Real property in the City of Auburn, County of Nevada, State of California, described as <u>follows:</u>

LOT 7, OF LAKE OF THE PINES RANCHOS AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL MAP THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA, ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1969, IN BOOK 3 OF SUBDIVISIONS, AT PAGE 40.

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that the interest in real property conveyed by that certain Grant of Solar Facilities Easement to which this Certificate is attached from NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1, a political subdivision of the State of California, to the COUNTY OF NEVADA, a public body, corporate and politic ("Grantee"), is hereby accepted by the undersigned officer on behalf of Grantee, pursuant to authority conferred by resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Grantee adopted on August 9, 2016, and Grantee consents to recordation thereof.

Dated:_____, 2016

COUNTY OF NEVADA, a public body, corporate and politic

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____