

**SEQR Resolution
Chobani, LLC Facility**

RESOLUTION OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DETERMINING THAT ACTION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO A PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF CHOBANI, LLC WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, Chobani, LLC, on behalf of itself and/or the principals of Chobani, LLC and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") to assist with a two-phase project, the first phase consisting of the construction of a 1,418,000± square foot food processing building, including a 15,600± square foot wastewater treatment plant, a 68,000± square foot blow molding building, and a 117,000± square foot wet receiving and physical plant, together with parking, landscaping and buffering to support the same (collectively, the "Improvements"), located on a portion of two parcels of land at Perimeter Road and Perimeter Road West totaling 146± acres in the aggregate, located at the Griffiss International Airport, City of Rome, Oneida County, New York (the "Land"); and the second phase consisting of acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for manufacturing dairy products and expanding the Company's presence in New York State (the Land, the Improvements, and the Equipment and the construction and equipping of same are referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the construction and equipping of the Facility by the Company is referred to collectively as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended ("SEQRA") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the "Regulations"), the Agency desires to determine whether the Project will have a "significant effect on the environment" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA and the Regulations) and therefore require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, as background, the County of Oneida (the "County") served as lead agency in connection with a SEQRA review relating to proposed development of the Griffiss International Airport – Airport Business Park Redevelopment Project (the "Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project"), which included a generic development project at the site of the Project, referred to as "Site 1" in the County SEQRA documents, and in that capacity completed a Full Environmental Assessment Form (the "Griffiss Airport

Redevelopment Project FEF”) detailing its findings, and made a negative declaration of environmental significance in a resolution passed on April 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, on or about April 22, 2025, the Company prepared and submitted to the County a Full Environmental Assessment Form (the “Company FEF”) describing the Project;

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 7, 2025, the County sent notice to involved agencies (including the Agency) confirming that it would serve as lead agency for the SEQRA review of the Project because the Project is proposed to be sited in “Site 1” as detailed in the Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project FEF and associated SEQRA documents; and

WHEREAS, the County considered the Company FEF and the Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project FEF and its April 9, 2025 negative declaration and such other information concerning the Project as it deemed appropriate and made a negative declaration of environmental significance relating to the Project in a resolution passed on May 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project and the Agency’s proposed financial assistance relating thereto will have a significant effect upon the environment, (i) the Company has submitted to the Agency the Company FEF, a copy of which was presented to and reviewed by the Agency at this meeting and copies of which are on file at the office of the Agency, and (ii) the Agency received the Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project FEF and related determinations and findings of the County with respect to the Project (collectively, the “Lead Agency Review Documents”), which are on file at the office of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Agency has examined the Lead Agency Review Documents to assist in making a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based on an examination of the Company’s application to the Agency for financial assistance (“Application”), the Company FEF, the Lead Agency Review Documents, and based further upon the Agency’s knowledge of the area surrounding the Project and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

(A) The Project is as described in the Application, the Company FEF, and the Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project FEF;

(B) The Project constitutes a "Type 1 action" (as defined in the Regulations);

(C) No potentially significant impacts on the environment are noted in the Company FEAF or the Griffiss Airport Redevelopment Project FEAF for the Project, and none are known to the Agency;

(D) The Project will not result in (i) substantial adverse change in existing air quality; ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; or a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems; (ii) the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movement of a resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial adverse impacts on threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such species; or (iii) other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;

(E) The Project will not affect a critical environmental area as designated pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.14(g);

(F) The Project will not conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;

(G) The Project will not result in the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;

(H) The Project will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;

(I) The Project will not result in the creation of a hazard to human health;

(J) The Project will not result in a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including architectural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;

(K) The Project will not result in encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;

(L) The Project will not result in the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one or more of the above consequences;

(M) The Project will not result in changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment;

(N) The Project will not result in two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in 6 NYCRR Section 617.7(c); and

(O) The Project will not cause or increase a disproportionate pollution burden on a disadvantaged community.

Section 2. The Agency hereby concurs with and adopts the determinations and findings of the Lead Agency that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment and the Agency will not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement with respect to the Project. As a result, the Agency has prepared a negative declaration with respect to the Project.

Section 3. The Executive Director of the Agency is hereby directed to file in the Agency's records and all other locations required by SEQRA and the Regulations, a negative declaration with respect to the Project (said negative declaration to be substantially in the form and substantially to the effect of the negative declaration attached hereto).

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATE OF NEW YORK)
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COUNTY OF ONEIDA)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT:

I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") with the original thereof on file in the office of the Agency, and the same is a true and correct copy of such resolution and of the proceedings of the Agency in connection with such matter.

Such resolution was passed at a meeting of the Agency duly convened on May 23, 2025 at eight a.m., local time, at Rome, New York at which the following members were:

Members Present:

EDGE Staff Present:

Other Attendees:

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote, which resulted as follows:

Voting Aye

Voting Nay

and, therefore, the resolution was declared duly adopted.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) the meeting was open for the public to attend and public notice of the date, time, location and call-in information for said meeting was duly given, (iii) the meeting in all respects was duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout..

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as of _____, 2025.

Shawna Papale, Secretary