RESOLUTION OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DETERMINING THAT ACTION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO A PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROWTH ENTERPRISES CORPORATION/CREE, INC. WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, Economic Development Growth Enterprises Corporation, on behalf of itself and its principals (collectively, "EDGE"), and Cree, Inc., on behalf of itself and its principals ("Cree"), or an entity to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has applied to the Agency to enter into a transaction in which the Agency will assist in the (i) acquisition of a 55.25± acre parcel of land situate at Edic Road in the Town of Marcy, Oneida County, New York (the "Land"), (ii) the construction on the Land of four buildings with 570,000± - 675,000± square feet of floor area consisting of (a) a three-story administrative building measuring 75,000± square feet; (b) a three-story, 480,000± square foot ballroom style wafer fabrication building with total cleanroom space measuring 100,000 - 135,000 square feet; (c) a HPM Warehouse, (d) a single-story Central Utilities Building measuring 70,000± square feet, and (e) all utilities and infrastructure to support the same (collectively, the "Improvements"); and (iii) acquisition and installation of furniture, fixtures and equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all for the purpose of providing a state of the art wafer fabrication plant to support the substantial growth of the Company in its target markets (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment is referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the construction, renovation and equipping of the Improvements is referred to 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 (the "SEQR Act") 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 construction, renovation and equipping of the Facility may have a "significant effect on the environment" (as said quoted term is defined in the SEQR Act and the Regulations) and therefore require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the acquisition, renovation, and equipping of the Facility may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Agency has reviewed documentation including (1) the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS), Volume I and II, dated October 2000, which was accepted by the Town of Marcy Town Board ("Town Board") on October 16, 2000; (2) the Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS), dated March 2001, which was accepted by the Town Board on March 22, 2001; (3) the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation letter dated February 16, 2001; (4) the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation letter dated December 4, 2012; (5) a Resolution of the Town Board adopted December 5, 2013; and (6) a Resolution of the Town Board adopted November 19, 2015, all of which are on file at the office of the Agency, and such other documentation as the Agency deemed appropriate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Agency has examined such documentation in order to make a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the Facility.

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 Application, the documentation referenced above, including the DGEIS and the FGEIS, and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Facility and such further investigation of the Facility and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Facility:
  - (A) The Facility is as described in the Application;
  - (B) The Facility constitutes an "Unlisted Action" (as defined in the Regulations);
  - (C) No potentially significant impacts on the environment are noted in the documents pertaining to the Facility, including the DGEIS and the FGEIS, and none are known to the Agency;
  - (D) The Facility 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 Facility will not affect a critical environmental area as designated pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.14(g);
  - (F) The Facility will not conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;
  - (G) The Facility 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 Facility will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;
  - (I) The Facility will not result in the creation of a hazard to human health;
  - (J) The Facility 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 Facility 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 Facility 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 Facility 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; and
- (N) The Facility 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).
- Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the Facility 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 Facility. The Agency has prepared a Statement of Findings with respect to the Facility which describes the basis for its decision that the Facility will not have a significant impact on the environment, and which, together with its attachments, shall serve as the equivalent of a negative declaration.
- Section 3. The Executive Director of the Agency is hereby directed to file in the Agency's records the Statement of Findings with respect to the Facility.
  - Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATE OF NEW YORK ) : SS.:
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 Board of Directors of the Agency duly convened in public session on September 27, 2019 at 8 a.m. local time, at 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York at which the following members were:

Present:

Ferris Betrus

L. Michael Fitzgerald

David Grow Kirk Hinman

Mary Faith Messenger Eugene Quadraro Stephen Zogby

Absent:

None

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote, with the members voting as follows:

Ferris Betrus voting aye; L. Michael Fitzgerald voting aye; David Grow voting aye; Kirk Hinman voting aye; Mary Faith Messenger voting aye; Eugene Quadraro voting aye; Stephen Zogby voting aye;

and, therefore, the resolution was declared duly adopted.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all directors of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) pursuant to Sections 103a and 104 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Sections 103a and 104, (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 the 22nd day of May 2020.

Shawna Papale, Secretary