OPTION 1

IRREVOCABLE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT FORMAT

DATE OF ISSUANCE: ________________

[Address]

Re: Credit No. ________________

We, ________________ (the “Issuing Bank”), hereby establish our Irrevocable Transferable Standby Letter of Credit (the “Letter of Credit”) in favor of (you, the “Beneficiary”) for the account of ________________ (the “Account Party”), for the aggregate amount not exceeding ________________ United States Dollars ($______________), available to you at sight upon demand at our counters at ________ [designate Issuing Bank’s location for presentments] on or before the expiration hereof against presentation to us of one or more of the following statements, dated and purportedly signed by an authorized representative of the Beneficiary:

1. “An Event of Default (as defined in the Master Renewable Energy Certificate Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of ________ between [Beneficiary Name] (“Beneficiary”) and [Account Party’s Name] (“Account Party”), as the same may be amended (the “Master Agreement”)) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the Master Agreement and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of ________________ United States Dollars ($______________) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit]”; or

2. “An Early Termination Date (as defined in the Master Renewable Energy Certificate Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of ________ between [Beneficiary Name] (“Beneficiary”) and [Account Party’s Name] (“Account Party”), as the same may be amended (the “Master Agreement”)) has occurred and is continuing with respect to Account Party under the Master Agreement and no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to the Beneficiary of this Letter of Credit. Wherefore, the undersigned does hereby demand payment of ________________ United States Dollars ($______________) [or the entire undrawn amount of the Letter of Credit].”

This Letter of Credit shall expire on ________________.

The amount which may be drawn by you under this Letter of Credit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of any drawings paid by the Issuing Bank. Partial drawings and multiple presentations are permitted hereunder.
We hereby agree with you that documents drawn under and in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Letter of Credit shall be duly honored upon presentation as specified.

This Letter of Credit shall be governed by the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits, 2007 Revision, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 600, or any successor publication thereto (the “UCP”), except to the extent that the terms hereof are inconsistent with the provisions of the UCP, including but not limited to Articles 14(b), 16(d) and 36 of the UCP, in which case the terms of this Letter of Credit shall govern. Matters not covered by the UCP shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

With respect to Article 14(b) of the UCP, the Issuing Bank shall have a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed three (3) Business Days following the date of its receipt of documents from the Beneficiary, to examine the documents and determine whether to take up or refuse the documents and to inform the Beneficiary accordingly. With respect to Article 16(d) of the UCP, the notice required in sub-article 16C must be given no later than the banks’ close of business on the third Business Day following the date of presentation.

Article 36 of the UCP as it applies to this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit is hereby modified to provide that in the event of an Act of God, riot, civil commotion, insurrection, war or any other cause beyond our control that interrupts our business (collectively, an “Interruption Event”) and causes the place for presentation of this Letter of Credit to be closed for business on the last day for presentation, the expiry date of this Letter of Credit will be automatically extended without amendment to a date thirty (30) calendar days after the place for presentation reopens for business. Article 36 of the UCP as it applies to this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit is hereby further modified to provide that any alternate place for presentation that we designate must be located in the United States.

We, the Issuing Bank, hereby certify that as of the Date of Issuance of this Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit our Senior Unsecured Debt is rated “A-” or better by Standard and Poor’s (“S&P”) if rated by S&P, “A3” or better from Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) if rated by Moody’s, and “A-” or better by Fitch Ratings (“Fitch”) if rated by Fitch. We hereby certify that our Senior Unsecured Debt is rated by at least two of S&P, Moody’s, and Fitch. If affiliated with a foreign bank, we further certify we are a U.S. branch office of such foreign bank and that as of the Date of Issuance of this Letter of Credit, our senior unsecured debt meets the ratings requirement of this paragraph.

As used herein, the term “Business Day” means any day on which Federal Reserve Banks and Branches are open for business, such that payments can be effected on the Fedwire system.
This Letter of Credit is transferable in whole but not in part, in accordance with the procedures in UCP 600 through the submission of a Letter of Full Transfer substantially in the form of Exhibit A, accompanied by the original Letter of Credit and original amendments, if any, but otherwise may not be amended, changed or modified without the express written consent of the Beneficiary, the Issuing Bank and the Account Party.

This Letter of Credit may not be transferred to any person with which U.S. persons are prohibited from doing business under U.S. Foreign Assets Control Regulations or other applicable U.S. Laws and Regulations.

We will not make any payment under this Letter of Credit (1) to any entity or person who is subject to the sanctions issued by the United States Department of Commerce, or to whom payment is prohibited by the foreign asset control regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury, or (2) which otherwise is in contravention of United States laws and regulations.

[The Issuing Bank may add specific contact or additional information or administrative-only comments at this point. However, such comments shall not create or alter any rights that vary from the above language].

[BANK SIGNATURE]