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IN RE: ENMIENDAS A CONTRATO DE COMPRAVENTA DE ENERGÍA: PROYECTO NO-OPERACIONAL (XZERTA-TEC SOLAR I, LLC) **CASE NO.**: NEPR-AP-2021-0002

SUBJECT: Submittal of Certification Regarding Xzerta January 2023 Progress

Report

MOTION TO SUBMIT CERTIFICATION REGARDING XZERTA JANUARY 2023 PROGRESS REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE ENERGY BUREAU:

COME NOW LUMA Energy ServCo, LLC and LUMA Energy, LLC (collectively "LUMA") through their undersigned legal representatives and respectfully submit and request the following:

- 1. On May 11, 2021, the Energy Bureau of the Public Service Regulatory Board (the "Bureau" or "Energy Bureau") issued a *Final Determination and Order* (the "Final Resolution") approving, subject to certain conditions, the *Petition for Approval of Amendment to Renewable Power Purchase Agreement with Xzerta-Tec Solar I, LLC*¹ (the "Petition") filed by the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") on March 17, 2021, for the Bureau's approval of such amended agreement².
- 2. The Final Resolution orders that, among other things, PREPA and Xzerta Tec Solar I, LLC ("Xzerta") file with the Energy Bureau monthly progress reports ("Progress Report(s)") on the

¹ Petición de Aprobación de Enmienda a Contrato de Compraventa de Energía Renovable con Xzerta-Tec Solar I, LLC.

² Amended and Restated Renewable Power Purchase and Operating Agreement between the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority and Xzerta Tec Solar LLC dated June 4, 2021 (2013-P00042E).

status of Xzerta's renewable energy project. In addition, on February 9, 2022, the Bureau issued a *Resolution and Order* ("February 9th Order") whereby, in particular, it ordered that PREPA and Xzerta submit the Progress Reports signed by officials of each entity and include therein the date of their preparation.

- 3. On November 10, 2022, the Bureau issued a *Resolution and Order* ("November 10th Order"), ordering LUMA to appoint a representative to appear and participate in the certification of the Progress Reports.
- 4. On November 21, 2022, LUMA informed this Energy Bureau of the person appointed for the participation in the certification of the Progress Reports. *See Joint Motion Regarding Order of November 10, 2022* filed by LUMA and PREPA on that date. LUMA has been issuing certifications with its comments to the Progress Reports since then (commencing with the November 2022 Progress Report). *See PREPA's Motion to Present Monthly Progress Report Corresponding to November 2023*, filed on December 30, 2022, and its Attachment B, and PREPA's *Motion to Present Monthly Progress Report Corresponding to December 2023*, filed on January 31, 2022, and its Attachment B.
- 5. On February 28, 2023, PREPA submitted to the Energy Bureau Xzerta's January 2023 Progress Report ("Xzerta January 2023 Report"). *See* PREPA's *Motion to Present Monthly Progress Report Corresponding to January 2023* of that date. Due to involuntary inadvertence, at the time of the foregoing filing, LUMA had not submitted to PREPA LUMA's certification regarding Xzerta's January 2023 Progress Report, although LUMA did review and prepare this certification by February 16, 2023 which LUMA respectfully submits to the Energy Bureau herein. *See Exhibit 1*.

WHEREFORE, LUMA respectfully requests the Energy Bureau to take notice of the aforementioned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 3rd day of March 2022.

We hereby certify that we will file on this date this Motion using the electronic filing system of this Energy Bureau and will send an electronic copy of this Motion to counsel for PREPA Joannely Marrero-Cruz, jmarrero@diazvaz.law and to fernandomolini@tycroesgroup.com.



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Exhibit1

LUMA Certification and Comments related to Xzerta January 2023 Progress Report



STATEMENT REGARDING XZERTA TEC SOLAR I, LLC MONTHLY STATUS PROGRESS REPORT FOR January 2023

For purposes of compliance with the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau's ("PREB") Resolution and Order of November 10, 2022, in Case NEPR-AP-2021-0002 (Enmiendas a Contrato de Compraventa de Energía: Proyecto No-Operacional (Xzerta-Tec Solar I, LLC)), LUMA Energy ServCo, LLC ("LUMA") hereby informs that LUMA:

- has reviewed the referenced monthly progress report prepared by Xzerta Tec Solar I, LLC dated February 5,2023 and submitted to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (the "Xzerta Report"), which report is to be filed with the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau ("PREB") as per PREB's Final Determination and Order of May 11, 2021 in the same case; and
- does not have reason to disagree with the information in the Xzerta Report, except as
 otherwise indicated in or subject to, LUMA's comments included in the attached
 document which replicates the tables of activities and status thereof in the Xzerta
 Report and includes a column added by LUMA to include LUMA's comments for
 purposes of clarifying, updating or correcting the information in the report.

LUMA Representative: Franz Lizardi

Name. Frank Lizardi, PE

Title: Project Manager, Utility-Scale Renewables, Capital Programs

Date: February 16, 2023



LUMA Comments to XZERTA Monthly Report

January 2023



#	Activity	Description	Status	Comments	
1	Design				
	A. Power Design - Drawings	Xzerta provided the 13th revision of the drawings and the relay study on 10/28/2022, which included all changes as per Luma's comments. On 11/23/2022, a 14th revision was provided with the proposed route as conceptual design of the transmission line to request for a 3rd time the permits for usage of the PREPA's easement. This item is not required for the fulfillment of Article 4.1. As of 11/4/2022, Sargent & Lundy, as the CTE firm assigned by PREPA to perform the interconnection study and the facility study, proceeded with the evaluation of all design documents provided by Xzerta. Xzerta provided on 12/22/2022 a revised PSSE files as per the comments provided by S&L on 12/07/2022. Xzerta provided the updated PSCAD once again on 01/25/2023. As of 01/24/2023, S&L confirmed that the PSSE files passed all MTRs. The final study should be released mid-February. This study is necessary for the final detail design and proper integration of the interconnection.	Submitted	Design Documents Under S&L review and pending completion of the interconnection study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA / PREPA approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	No action pending from LUMA.
	B. Energy Yield Assessment and Relay Study	Relay Study was submitted on Sept 21, 2022, and the Energy Yield Assessment w a s submitted f o r approval on Sept 30 th , 2022.	Waiting for approval	Design Documents Under S&L review and pending completion of the interconnection study and facility	No action pending from LUMA.

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				study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA / PREPA approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	
	C. Products	Proposed products and Models for the interconnection have been submitted to LUMA for approval. Documentation for the inverters, batteries, Transformer, Protective relays and MV switchgear were transmitted for approval, but LUMA stated that they will not approve any Products related to the solar farm but only the interconnection. LUMA stated it will be handled as for information only. It is important to clarify that this distinction between the materials or equipment that will be utilized for the facility vs the stepup transformer to point of connection does not exist in the contract. As per article 4.2 and 9.4, the design including the facility and products will require to be approved by PREPA and/or their representative. LUMA have approved with comments the proposed gas circuit breaker from the manufacturer, Hitachi. LUMA responded to RFI 011- Request	Waiting for completion of the interconnec tion study and facility study as per LUMA responses of Xzerta RFI's.	We are waiting for the approval of the protective relays. GCBs was approved with a note to increase the capacity of the GCB 1. Step Up 3P Main Transformer was not officially approved like other products pending for the results of the interconnection study. At this point, XZERTA has not issuethe orders of equipment due to the high risk of not having proper approval of products. Equipment manufacturing lead times can severely affect proposed schedule	Completion of the Interconnection studies is necessary for approvals of the protective relays and other equipment. (No change from Nov. 2022 report)



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		Step up Oil 3P Power Transformer that they did not have an exception to the proposed products, but their response should not be taken as approval as it is pending on the completion of the interconnection study.RFI 009 Request for Approval of Protective relays is still open.			
	D. SCADA list	Our team is in receipt of current SCADA list sample shared by LUMA. Based on this sample, our team will develop the preliminary SCADA Point list and will add all available alarms and events based on the final design. The list is pending on the completion of LUMA's analysis and study of our design to determine if additional protections, alarms, or other necessary points are required to be included in our design.	In progress	Under development while waiting for S&L's interconnection study and facility study results	Upon submission of the interconnection studies by S&L and the submission of Xzerta of the SCADA points, LUMA will be able to conduct the appropriate analysis. This action is awaiting the S&L study. (No change from Nov. 2022 report)
	E. Other Design	Preliminary design for the transmission lines was submitted on 11/23/2022.	In Progress	Waiting for S&L's interconnection study and facility study results	
	F. Dynamic Study	Based on the preliminary design, Enerzinx has completed the dynamic study, and it was submitted for LUMA's review and approval back on July 2022. After a resolution of a commercial issue with LUMA, PREPA with Xzerta's approval	Submitted and waiting for S&L review	Design Documents Under S&L review and pending completion of the interconnection study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA / PREPA approval as per Article 4.2	No action pending from LUMA.



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		assigned S&L. As of 11/04/2022, S&L is reviewing all design documents. Xzerta provided on 12/22/2022 a revised PSSE files as per the comments provided by S&L on 12/07/2022. As of 01/24/2023, S&L confirmed that the PSSE files were in compliance with PREPA MTRs. On 01/25/2023, Xzerta provided the updated PSCAD files.		and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	
	G. Winds Conditions requirement	LUMA/PREPA winds conditions requirement of 160 MPH has become an issue. Several vendors have responded that they will be unable to meet this requirement. Currently, products meet 140 MPH. ASCE allows the 140 MPH criteria on the location that the farm will be built. It was requested an exemption and LUMA responded that the requirement is only applicable to equipment that will handled or owned by PREPA or them. Furthermore, LUMA will not provide any technical inputs to any equipment or products that are not within the interconnection	Closed	LUMA stated that this particular requirement is not applicable, and they will not provide any technical input of products used outside of the interconnection. GCB which meets 140 Mph has been approved. 140 MPH meets ASCE requirements	
	H. Transmission line design and Easement Usage/ Permit	It was requested the usage of a PREPA ROW or Easement near to the lands of the project to minimize the environmental impacts and shorten the path to the Hatillo POI substation via an RFI. LUMA responded	Closed via RFI 015	Preliminary Transmission line design defining the route has been released on 11/23/2022 to LUMA's department of	



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		that it will be required to be address through their department of Land management and development instead. All documentation has been submitted to the LUMA's Land Department for certification, and endorsement. LUMA responded in a 2 nd letter that it will require more information of the transmission line design in order to approve the usage. Preliminary Transmission line design defining the route as per appendix b of the PPOA was released on 11/23/2022 and another letter to request the permit of usage of the easement was sent to LUMA Land Dept on the same date.		Land and permits. On 01/23/2023, LUMA responded via RFI 015 that the permit was approved with the condition of providing steel or concrete monopoles with the configuration of dual lines for future installations	
2	Commercial				
	A. Certifications	filed with the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau for Xzerta Tec's Electric Service Company Certification as required under Rule 8701	Completed	Approved	
	B. Loans	Term Sheet was received	In Progress	Modifications received. Discussions are undergoing awaiting new IRS rules regarding ITC'c after latest amendments to The inflation reduction Act. As of December 15,	



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				evaluation on the percentage applicable to the project was being evaluated as location of the project and the use of made in USA equipment could increase the ITC's from 30% up to 50%.	
	C. Leases	Executed the extensions on the leases of the properties that required such extensions. Xzerta continue to maintain land control over all the proposed parcels, plus some additional lots have been added and surveyed to guarantee the necessary space for the increased capacity.	Completed		
	D. Mars CPA Report	Commissioned a report from our accounting firm Mars CPA regarding the possible incentives available to the project under the Puerto Rico Incentives Code, to review the prior decree granted to the project by the Department of Economic Development and to establish the final structure regarding the tax equity of the project.	Completed		



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	E. LUMA request for payment for interconnection Study	LUMA transmitted a request for payment letter regarding of the study and evaluation of the project interconnection. Total amount to be paid as per LUMA letter is \$341k. As agreed with PREPA, Sargent & Lundy will perform the interconnection study.	Resolved Completed	After latest Meeting with both PREPA and LUMA, PREPA has engaged Sargent and Lundy to conduct the study. During the month of December as stated on other sections above Xzerta interacted with S&L to provide additional information or revisions.	
3	Contracting				
	A. Land Survey and Topographic Survey	Geomatic Solutions and Surveying, PSC	Completed		
	B. Plant Design	CSA Architects and Engineers, LLP	In progress		
	C. Archaeological Study	Fernando Alvarado	In progress		
	D.Environment al Site Assessment Phase I-A Phase I-B	Tycroes group	Completed Delivered	Phase B received and under review	
	E.Habitat Study	Alejandro Cubiña	Completed		
	F. Foundation Design	Carlos Rivera, P.E.	Completed		
	G. Anchoring	RBI Solar, Solar Mounts and/or Schletter	In progress		
	H. Electrical Design	Miguel Ortiz, P.E. Lisaidyn Perez Enerzinx	Completed		



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	I. SCADA Systems Design	Lisaidyn Perez	Completed		
	J. Modeling and Simulations	Enerzinx	Completed	Submitted on 07/2022 and a 2nd revision on 12/22/22. S&L confirmed on 01/24/2023 that the PSSE complies with the MTRs. S&L is reviewing the PSCAD files and completing the interconnection study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA/PREPA approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	No pending action from LUMA.
	K. Relay Study	Enerzinx	Completed	Resubmitted to Luma incorporating comments on 10/28/2022. Under S&L review and pending completion of the interconnection study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA / PREPA approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4	No pending action from LUMA.



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				for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	
	L. Transmission Lines	Xzerta have contracted Eng. Ronald Hopgood as the local engineer of record in our team.	Completed		
3	Construction				
	A. Permits	Completed the following: 1. Location 2. Environmental 3. Endorsements by - Highway and Transportation Authority - Puerto Rico Energy Bureau - Cultural Institute -Puerto Rico Telecommunications Bureau - Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority - Department of Agriculture Pending 1. NWP-14 2. NPDES General Permit 3. Permits Management Office (OGPe) - Calculations for construction square footage were completed to finalize permit. Permit will be updated with the new data.	In progress	Still waiting for LUMA/PREP A approval for usage of ROW/ Easement	See item 1.H – Transmission Line design and Easement Usage Conditioned /Permit.



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		PREPA ROW / Easement Permit of usage			
	B. Land Acquisition		Completed		
	C. Contractors	No major changes, waiting for final drawings with Luma comments to be completed. Preliminary Scope of work was distributed to potential EPC, waiting for their updates of the quotes	In progress	General Contractor (GC), subcontracto rs and consultants' agreements are in process.	
4	Procurement				
	A. Material List	The material list has been generated but many long lead times products are waiting for proper approval.	Waiting for approvals	Refer to Material List Annex 1 found below for further information. Under S&L review and pending completion of the interconnectio n study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA/PREP A approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design. There is no distinction between the materials that will be utilized for the facility vs	compliance is an output of the moutput of the MTR compliance is an output of the interconnection studies. (No change from Nov. 2022 report)



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				the step-up transformer to point of connection does not exist in the contract. As per article 9.4, the design including the facility will required to be approved by PREPA and/or their representativ e.	
	B. Orders	Waiting for LUMA's or PREPA's approval of proposed products.	In progress	Lead time of equipment could impact final implementatio n of project	LUMA's approval of the orders of materials on the developer's facilities up to the high side of the step-up transformer are not required. It is the developer's responsibility to comply with the MTRs and applicable codes and regulations. The MTR compliance is an output of the interconnection studies. (No change from Nov. 2022 report)
5	Implementation				



A. Installation	Preliminary	In	Waiting for	No a sa dia a
	definition of scope of works have been created and shared with proponents. Contractors (BLDM and Aireko) visited in December once again the premises in order to update their quotes, but final prices and contract are pending on the final approvals.	progress	S&L review of design documents and pending completion of the interconnection study and facility study as per Article 4.2. Results are pending LUMA/PREPA approval as per Article 4.2 and 9.4 for release to Xzerta for completion of final design.	No pending action from LUMA.
B. Testing	Master Plan to be generated after approval of the design and upon receiving PREPA's approved testing protocols. Master plan and test procedures will be generated in accordance with PREPA/LUMA approved testing protocols and operations.	Not started	LUMA submitted their test protocols. The master plan will be based on this inf and the final approval of design.	

The following table shows the status of RFIs:

#	Number	Description	Status	Date Submitted		LUMA Comments
1	RFI-001	Transformer specs and interconnection requirements (Y-D, D-Y or D-D)	Closed	4/26/2022	1 item remained open. Transformer should be YG to Delta on the side	No open items. Refer to RFI 001 response.



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					of interconnection of 115 KV with PREPA with an internal shift of 30	
2	RFI-002	Transformer specs (Not responded under RFI-001)	Closed	5/23/2022	Specifications received. Issues with Wind Conditions requirement. It will be followed through RFI-006	Response to RFI was delivered by LUMA and wind conditions question clarified.
3	RFI-003	SCADA Communication Protocol and Sample of Points	Closed	5/23/2022	Received List. TBR	
4	RFI-004	Amount of demand Energy of PR	Closed	5/23/2022	Calculated at 0.0003% or 0.001 %	
5	RFI-005	Request of Permit to usage of PREPAs ROW	Closed	5/23/2022	RFI was closed but Item is still open. LUMA requested to submit request for usage of easement via another form since it is managed by their Dept. of Land and Permits	Item is not closed. Request for usage of existing easement was received and is under evaluation by the LUMA team.
6	RFI-006	Request for exemption to Wind Conditions requirements. Vendors unable to meet criteria of 160 MPH. Current design meets 120 to 140 MPH	Closed	6/2/2022	LUMA stated that the cited specification details the requirements for equipment to be owned, operated, and maintained by PREPA/LUMA. Knowing that this equipment will remain under the care, custody, and control of the proponent, LUMA will not provide technical input on alternate wind load criteria for transformer	



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					components, since it is not an evaluation factor to determine the Facility's capability to be interconnected to the grid. Current design meets ASCE req. Refer to PPOA sections 9.4(a) and (b).	
7	RFI-007	Request for approval of GCB proposed product	Closed	6/2/2022	Hitachi GCB Breaker for 115 KV. It has been conditionally approved. LUMA requested to increase CC of GCB1 based on their current design, 145 KV @ 2000 A CC	Item is not closed. Item will be reviewed upon completion of the interconnection studies by S&L.
8	RFI-008	Request for approval of MV Switchgear proposed product	Closed	6/30/2022	LUMA stated that the MV switchgear approval is not within responsibilities. This will remain under contractor decisions regarding the solar farm or facility design.	
9	RFI-009	Request for approval of Protective Relays, Network Switch, Controller	Open	7/11/2022	Equipment evaluations are pending completion of the Interconnection and Facility Studies performed by S&L.	
10	RFI-010	Request for approval of Dynamic Studies	Open	7/11/2022	Approval pending completion of the Interconnection and Facility Studies performed by S&L.	



#	Number	Description	Status	Date Submitted	Comments	LUMA Comments
11	RFI-011	Request for approval of 3P Main Step-Up Oil Transformer 34/115 KV	Closed	7/11/2022	LUMA stated that is pending on interconnection study performed by S&L	
12	RFI-012	Request for Testing Protocols and operating procedures	Closed	8/1/2022	Delivered	
13	RFI-013	Request for LUMA/ PREPA to confirm if the Seismic Design Category can remain in A instead D because there is no historical data that requires to consider inertial loads associated with earthquakes within the area	Closed	10/13/2022	LUMA will not evaluate the civil design aspects for the medium voltage switchgear, since this equip is located upstream from the Main Power Transformer, and thus lies beyond LUMA's evaluation responsibilities for privately-owned Renewables projects	
14	RFI-014	Request PLS-CADD files for Transmission line detailed design	Closed	12/6/2022	LUMA provided the requested information and files	
15	RFI-015	Response to Letter for Request of Permit to usage of PREPAS ROW	Closed	1/24/2023	Xzerta submitted to LUMA's Lands & Permits team on Nov 23, 2022, a 2nd request for the usage of existing easement/right-of-way that was reserved for future work on previously existing 115kV transmission line 39100 spanning westbound from Hatillo TC to Mora TC, in Isabela. It has been approved with the condition of been prepared for dual lines.	



The following table shows the status of Transmittals:

#	Number	Description	Status	Date Submitted	Comments	LUMA Comments
1	XTA-TRA-0001	Relay Study and Updated Preliminary design	Open	9/21/2022	LUMA stated that is pending on interconnecti on study performed by S&L	
2	XTA-TRA-0002	Energy Yield Assessment	Open	9/30/2022	LUMA stated that is pending on interconnecti on study performed by S&L	
3	XTA-TRA-0003	Relay Study and Updated Preliminary design based on LUMA's Comments of 10/3/2022	Open	10/28/2022	LUMA stated that is pending on interconnecti on study performed by S&L	
4	XTA-TRA-0004	Xzerta Ltr 2nd Request of Permit Use of ROW and Rev 14 SLD Preliminary Design	Open	11/23/2022	Received and under evaluation by the LUMA team	

