

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONCEPT OF A 30-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN KRUGER ENERGY LLC AND DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, WHEREBY HANNAH SOLAR LLC, UNDER THE GEORGIA POWER RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (REDI) PROGRAM WOULD CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN A FLOATING SOLAR ARRAY AT THE SCOTT CANDLER WATER TREATMENT PLANT

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Georgia is authorized by DeKalb County Code, Chapter 25 to provide water, sewers and sewage disposal within the County: and

WHEREAS, DeKalb County, Georgia owns, operates and maintains three (3) water supply reservoirs at the Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant located at 4830 Winters Chapel Road, Doraville, Georgia 30360, with a combined surface area of one hundred nine and one-half (109.5) acres; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Watershed Management recognizes that the large area of open space created by the reservoirs provides a favorable site for electrical generation using solar panels and that a floating solar array has the added benefits of providing shade on the reservoirs, thereby reducing evaporation, which increases water conservation (much needed in the region) and also minimizing algal blooms that can negatively impact drinking water quality and treatability; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Watershed Management desires to enter into a thirty (30) year lease with Kruger Energy LLC whereby Kruger Energy LLC will lease water surface area in Water Supply Reservoir No. 2 at the Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant and make annual lease payments of \$18,000.00 to DeKalb County, totaling (\$540,000) over the 30-year lease, and a one-time administrative payment to the County of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) once the lease agreement is fully executed;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the proposed lease, Hannah Solar LLC would construct a three (3) megawatt (MW) floating solar array in Water Supply Reservoir No. 2; and

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that Kruger Energy LLC will pay all the capital costs, the long-term maintenance costs, and the removal costs of the floating solar array; and

WHEREAS, Hannah Solar LLC submitted a Renewable Energy Development Initiative (REDI) project application as stipulated by Georgia Power and the Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC) to procure one thousand two hundred (1,200) MW of sustainable energy; and

WHEREAS, the application was approved by Georgia Power for the project and a lease agreement is needed between DeKalb County and Kruger Energy LLC to ensure construction of a three (3) MW solar array on Reservoir No. 2 (the smallest pond of three); and

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners approves the concept of a thirty (30) year lease with Kruger Energy LLC and authorizes representatives of the Department of Watershed Management and the Environmental Energy Manager, with the assistance of the County Attorney and her designees, to negotiate the terms of the proposed lease and any other necessary documents that will be brought back to the Board of Commissioners for consideration.

SO, RESOLVED BY GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Michael L. Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

BARBARA H. SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Reginald Wells
Acting Director of Watershed Management

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Viviane Ernstes
Interim County Attorney