

# THE DEKENS DOCTRINE

## *A Community Framework for Responsible Foreign Industrial Development*

### **Preamble**

We affirm that rural communities are strong, self-governed, and grounded in values that cannot be purchased. We believe in economic growth that reflects transparency, trust, and long-term community wellbeing. We welcome opportunity, but only when it walks through the front door.

### **Article I: Transparency Builds Trust**

- All land acquisitions are to be disclosed publicly, with ownership details clearly stated.
- All foreign investment is to be registered openly, with direct ties to parent companies identified.
- All incentive agreements are to be shared with the public in plain language.

### **Article II: National Security Is Local Responsibility**

- All foreign affiliated companies are expected to participate in security reviews.
- Companies with links to foreign governments share full organizational transparency.
- Local officials and citizens have the right to understand who operates within their borders.

### **Article III: The Community Must Share the Benefit**

- Projects include formal Community Benefit Agreements to support schools, emergency services, and local nonprofits.
- Local labor receives priority consideration and direct training investment.
- Long-term tax arrangements must reflect long-term impact.

### **Article IV: Consent Requires Conversation**

- Local communities are active participants in major development discussions.
- Public input is gathered and applied through structured, well-publicized forums.
- Local governments retain the right to revoke cooperation for breach of conduct.

### **Article V: Silent Partners Will Be Treated as Hostile Actors**

- Lack of response to public inquiry is interpreted as lack of respect
- Public silence in the face of public concern disqualifies corporate cooperation
- Respectful dialogue is not optional, it's the price of entry

### **Conclusion**

We stand for progress that honors people, for industry that serves its surroundings, and for relationships built on mutual respect. We open our doors to partners who listen, engage, and build with integrity. This doctrine invites the world to build the future, together, and on equal ground.