STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF LEE

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE LEE COUNTY, TEXAS COMMISSIONER'S COURT REGARDING THE PROPOSED SANDOW LAKES ENERGY NATURAL GAS POWER GENERATION PLANT.

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of Lee County strives to make sound decisions on issues that affect the quality of life for its constituents;

WHEREAS, Sandow Lakes Energy (SL Energy Power Plant I, LLC) proposes to build a 1,200-megawatt natural gas power generation plant;

WHEREAS, Sandow Lakes Energy proposes to build its power plant in the Blue/Adina communities in north Lee County;

WHEREAS, the proposed power plant site is on the far western end of the 33,000 acres of property owned by Sandow Lakes Energy's affiliate, Sandow Lakes Ranch (SL Property I LP);

WHEREAS, the proposed power plant site is an extremely rural area of Lee County and is very close to private farms, ranches, homes, and the Adina Christian Church and Cemetery;

WHEREAS, the allure of living in Lee County includes a slower pace of life, a stronger sense of community, and a close connection to the natural world for the people who live there;

WHEREAS, locating a large industrial facility such as the gas plant in a largely rural area would dramatically disrupt and alter the rural nature of the surrounding Blue/Adina community;

WHEREAS, locating the gas plant in Blue/Adina at the currently proposed site likely would result in decreased values and marketability of properties near the

plant; increased noise, lights and traffic; groundwater and surface water impacts; air pollution; and collateral burdens on county infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court believes that Sandow Lakes Energy has other suitable and feasible alternative locations in Lee County for its plant, and being minimally farther within Sandow Lakes Ranch while farther from nearby residences;

WHEREAS, re-locating the proposed gas plant further within Sandow Lakes Ranch would result in far fewer local negative impacts than if the plant is located at the currently proposed site;

WHEREAS, Sandow Lakes Energy maintains it prefers to locate its gas plant at the proposed site in the Blue/Adina community because it would be closer to the Matterhorn gas pipeline, which crosses north Lee County and would be the fuel source for the proposed plant;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court believes that Sandow Lakes Energy should consider locating the proposed gas plant further within Sandow Lakes Ranch as a sign of being a good neighbor and include the cost of a longer connection to the Matterhorn pipeline as a necessary but worthwhile cost for its project;

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is experiencing a growing demand for additional energy generation to support population growth, economic expansion, and industrial activity in the State and county;

WHEREAS, Lee County is uniquely situated near a reliable source of natural gas for operation of a natural gas fueled electricity generating plant;

WHEREAS, construction and operation of the Sandow Lakes Energy Company Power Plant has the potential to create significant economic benefits for Lee County, including job creation, business development opportunities, tax revenue both to the County and to public school districts, and increased local investment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioner's Court hereby recognizes the economic and infrastructure benefits that the Sandow Lakes Energy natural gas power plant will bring to the County, but requests Sandow Lakes Energy to consider economically feasible alternative locations within Sandow Lakes Ranch but within Lee County for its proposed natural gas power plant.

ADOPTED by the Lee County Commissioners on this ____day of _____ 2025.

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Frank W. Malinak, III, County Judge

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Mark Matthijetz, Commissioner Pct. 1 Richard Wagner, Commissioner, Pct 2

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Alan Turner, Commissioner, Pct. 3 Steven Knobloch, Commissioner, Pct. 4

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Sharon Blasig, County Clerk
Lee County, Texas