

# ALTA COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE issued by CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

#### NOTICE

**IMPORTANT - READ CAREFULLY**: THIS COMMITMENT IS AN OFFER TO ISSUE ONE OR MORE TITLE INSURANCE POLICIES. ALL CLAIMS OR REMEDIES SOUGHT AGAINST THE COMPANY INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT OR THE POLICY MUST BE BASED SOLELY IN CONTRACT.

THIS COMMITMENT IS NOT AN ABSTRACT OF TITLE, REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF TITLE, LEGAL OPINION, OPINION OF TITLE, OR OTHER REPRESENTATION OF THE STATUS OF TITLE. THE PROCEDURES USED BY THE COMPANY TO DETERMINE INSURABILITY OF THE TITLE, INCLUDING ANY SEARCH AND EXAMINATION, ARE PROPRIETARY TO THE COMPANY, WERE PERFORMED SOLELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMPANY, AND CREATE NO EXTRACONTRACTUAL LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A PROPOSED INSURED.

THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATION UNDER THIS COMMITMENT IS TO ISSUE A POLICY TO A PROPOSED INSURED IDENTIFIED IN SCHEDULE A IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THIS COMMITMENT. THE COMPANY HAS NO LIABILITY OR OBLIGATION INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT TO ANY OTHER PERSON.

#### **COMMITMENT TO ISSUE POLICY**

Subject to the Notice; Schedule B, Part I - Requirements; Schedule B, Part II - Exceptions; and the Commitment Conditions, Chicago Title Insurance Company, a Florida corporation (the "Company"), commits to issue the Policy according to the terms and provisions of this Commitment. This Commitment is effective as of the Commitment Date shown in Schedule A for each Policy described in Schedule A, only when the Company has entered in Schedule A both the specified dollar amount as the Proposed Amount of Insurance and the name of the Proposed Insured.

If all of the Schedule B, Part I - Requirements have not been met within 60 after the Commitment Date, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.

CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

ATTEST: Mayou Hemofua Marjorie Nemzura

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#### **COMMITMENT CONDITIONS**

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

- a. "Discriminatory Covenant": Any covenant, condition, restriction, or limitation that is unenforceable under applicable law because it illegally discriminates against a class of individuals based on personal characteristics such as race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, familial status, disability, national origin, or other legally protected class.
- b. "Knowledge" or "Known": Actual knowledge or actual notice, but not constructive notice imparted by the Public Records.
- c. "Land": The land described in Item 5 of Schedule A and improvements located on that land that by State law constitute real property. The term "Land" does not include any property beyond that described in Schedule A, nor any right, title, interest, estate, or easement in any abutting street, road, avenue, alley, lane, right-of-way, body of water, or waterway, but does not modify or limit the extent that a right of access to and from the Land is to be insured by the Policy.
- d. "Mortgage": A mortgage, deed of trust, trust deed, security deed, or other real property security instrument, including one evidenced by electronic means authorized by law.
- e. "Policy": Each contract of title insurance, in a form adopted by the American Land Title Association, issued or to be issued by the Company pursuant to this Commitment.
- f. "Proposed Amount of Insurance": Each dollar amount specified in Schedule A as the Proposed Amount of Insurance of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- g. "Proposed Insured": Each person identified in Schedule A as the Proposed Insured of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- h. "Public Records": The recording or filing system established under State statutes in effect at the Commitment Date under which a document must be recorded or filed to impart constructive notice of matters relating to the Title to a purchaser for value without Knowledge. The term "Public Records" does not include any other recording or filing system, including any pertaining to environmental remediation or protection, planning, permitting, zoning, licensing, building, health, public safety, or national security matters.
- i. "State": The state or commonwealth of the United States within whose exterior boundaries the Land is located. The term "State" also includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam.
- j. "Title": The estate or interest in the Land identified in Item 3 of Schedule A.
- 2. If all of the Schedule B, Part I Requirements have not been met within the time period specified in the Commitment to Issue Policy, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.
- 3. The Company's liability and obligation is limited by and this Commitment is not valid without:
  - a. the Notice:
  - b. the Commitment to Issue Policy;
  - c. the Commitment Conditions;
  - d. Schedule A:
  - e. Schedule B, Part I Requirements; and
  - f. Schedule B, Part II Exceptions; and
  - g. a counter-signature by the Company or its issuing agent that may be in electronic form.

#### 4. COMPANY'S RIGHT TO AMEND

The Company may amend this Commitment at any time. If the Company amends this Commitment to add a defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter recorded in the Public Records prior to the Commitment Date, any liability of the Company is limited by Commitment Condition 5. The Company is not liable for any other amendment to this Commitment.

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#### 5. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- a. The Company's liability under Commitment Condition 4 is limited to the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in the interval between the Company's delivery to the Proposed Insured of the Commitment and the delivery of the amended Commitment, resulting from the Proposed Insured's good faith reliance to:
  - i. comply with the Schedule B, Part I Requirements;
  - ii. eliminate, with the Company's written consent, any Schedule B, Part II Exceptions; or
  - iii. acquire the Title or create the Mortgage covered by this Commitment.
- b. The Company is not liable under Commitment Condition 5.a. if the Proposed Insured requested the amendment or had Knowledge of the matter and did not notify the Company about it in writing.
- c. The Company is only liable under Commitment Condition 4 if the Proposed Insured would not have incurred the expense had the Commitment included the added matter when the Commitment was first delivered to the Proposed Insured.
- d. The Company's liability does not exceed the lesser of the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in good faith and described in Commitment Condition 5.a. or the Proposed Amount of Insurance.
- e. The Company is not liable for the content of the Transaction Identification Data, if any.
- f. The Company is not obligated to issue the Policy referred to in this Commitment unless all of the Schedule B, Part I Requirements have been met to the satisfaction of the Company.
- g. The Company's liability is further limited by the terms and provisions of the Policy to be issued to the Proposed Insured.

# 6. LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY MUST BE BASED ON THIS COMMITMENT; CHOICE OF LAW AND CHOICE OF FORUM

- a. Only a Proposed Insured identified in Schedule A, and no other person, may make a claim under this Commitment.
- b. Any claim must be based in contract under the State law of the State where the Land is located and is restricted to the terms and provisions of this Commitment. Any litigation or other proceeding brought by the Proposed Insured against the Company must be filed only in a State or federal court having jurisdiction.
- c. This Commitment, as last revised, is the exclusive and entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Commitment and supersedes all prior commitment negotiations, representations, and proposals of any kind, whether written or oral, express or implied, relating to the subject matter of this Commitment.
- d. The deletion or modification of any Schedule B, Part II Exception does not constitute an agreement or obligation to provide coverage beyond the terms and provisions of this Commitment or the Policy.
- e. Any amendment or endorsement to this Commitment must be in writing and authenticated by a person authorized by the Company.
- f. When the Policy is issued, all liability and obligation under this Commitment will end and the Company's only liability will be under the Policy.

#### 7. IF THIS COMMITMENT IS ISSUED BY AN ISSUING AGENT

The issuing agent is the Company's agent only for the limited purpose of issuing title insurance commitments and policies. The issuing agent is not the Company's agent for closing, settlement, escrow, or any other purpose.

#### 8. PRO-FORMA POLICY

The Company may provide, at the request of a Proposed Insured, a pro-forma policy illustrating the coverage that the Company may provide. A pro-forma policy neither reflects the status of Title at the time that the pro-forma policy is delivered to a Proposed Insured, nor is it a commitment to insure.

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#### 9. CLAIMS PROCEDURES

This Commitment incorporates by reference all Conditions for making a claim in the Policy to be issued to the Proposed Insured. Commitment Condition 9 does not modify the limitations of liability in Commitment Conditions 5 and 6.

#### 10. CLASS ACTION

ALL CLAIMS AND DISPUTES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS COMMITMENT, INCLUDING ANY SERVICE OR OTHER MATTER IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUING THIS COMMITMENT, ANY BREACH OF A COMMITMENT PROVISION, OR ANY OTHER CLAIM OR DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION GIVING RISE TO THIS COMMITMENT, MUST BE BROUGHT IN AN INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY. NO PARTY MAY SERVE AS PLAINTIFF, CLASS MEMBER, OR PARTICIPANT IN ANY CLASS OR REPRESENTATIVE PROCEEDING. ANY POLICY ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS COMMITMENT WILL CONTAIN A CLASS ACTION CONDITION.

### 11. ARBITRATION

The Policy contains an arbitration clause. All arbitrable matters when the Proposed Amount of Insurance is \$2,000,000 or less may be arbitrated at the election of either the Company or the Proposed Insured as the exclusive remedy of the parties. A Proposed Insured may review a copy of the arbitration rules at <a href="http://www.alta.org/arbitration">http://www.alta.org/arbitration</a>.

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# Transaction Identification Data, for which the Company assumes no liability as set forth in Commitment Condition 5.e.:

Issuing Agent: Deuel County Abstract Company

Issuing Office: 317 3rd Ave S, PO Box 737, Clear Lake, SD 57226

Issuing Office's ALTA® Registry ID: 1022440

Commitment No.: SD-2549114-1 Issuing Office File No.: SD-2549114

Property Address: 27-114-48, Brandt, SD 57218

#### **SCHEDULE A**

- 1. Commitment Date: December 31, 2024 at 07:00 AM
- 2. Policy to be issued:
  - a. 2021 ALTA Owner's Policy (07/01/21)
    Proposed Insured: To Be Determined

Proposed Amount of Insurance: \$1,000.00 The estate or interest to be insured: Fee Simple

- 3. The estate or interest in the Land at the Commitment Date is: Fee Simple.
- 4. The Title is, at the Commitment Date, vested in: U.S. Farmland Fund, L.P..
- **5.** The Land is described as follows:

The South Half of the South Half (S1/2S1/2) of Section 27, Township 114 North, Range 48 West of the 5th P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota.

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**Deuel County Abstract Company** 

Authorized Signatory

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# **SCHEDULE B, PART I - REQUIREMENTS**

All of the following Requirements must be met:

- 1. The Proposed Insured must notify the Company in writing of the name of any party not referred to in this Commitment who will obtain an interest in the Land or who will make a loan on the Land. The Company may then make additional Requirements or Exceptions.
- 2. Pay the agreed amount for the estate or interest to be insured.
- 3. Pay the premiums, fees, and charges for the Policy to the Company.
- 4. Documents satisfactory to the Company that convey the Title or create the Mortgage to be insured, or both, must be properly authorized, executed, delivered, and recorded in the Public Records.
- 5. Provide the title company with a written Statement from the US Farmland Fund Limited Partnership a/k/a U.S. Farmland Fund L.P., in the form of a Resolution, that authorizes the proposed transaction and if necessary, designates the General Partner(s) authorized to execute the proposed Deed or Mortgage and all title related documents on behalf of the Partnership. (The resolution from the Partnership must be signed by a majority of the General Partners of the Partnership.)
- 6. Warranty Deed executed by US Farmland Fund Limited Partnership a/k/a U.S. Farmland Fund, L.P. to To Be Determined. Note: Certificate of Real Estate Value must accompany the deed for filing.
- 7. The Company shall not be liable under this commitment until it receives a designation for a Proposed Insured that is acceptable to the company. As provided in Commitment Condition 4, the Company may amend this commitment to add, among other things, additional exceptions or requirements after the designation of the Proposed Insured.

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### SCHEDULE B, PART II - EXCEPTIONS

Some historical land records contain Discriminatory Covenants that are illegal and unenforceable by law. This Commitment and the Policy treat any Discriminatory Covenant in a document referenced in Schedule B as if each Discriminatory Covenant is redacted, repudiated, removed, and not republished or recirculated. Only the remaining provisions of the document will be excepted from coverage.

The Policy will not insure against loss or damage resulting from the terms and conditions of any lease or easement identified in Schedule A, and will include the following Exceptions unless cleared to the satisfaction of the Company:

- 1. Any defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter that appears for the first time in the Public Records or is created, attaches, or is disclosed between the Commitment Date and the date on which all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements are met.
- 2. Rights or claims of parties in possession not shown by the public records.
- 3. Any encroachment, encumbrance, violation, variation, or adverse circumstance affecting the Title that would be disclosed by an accurate and complete land survey of the Land.
- 4. Easements, or claims of easements, not shown by the public records.
- 5. Any lien, or right to a lien, for services, labor, or material heretofore or hereafter furnished, imposed by law and not shown by the public records.
- 6. Unpatented mining claims; (b) reservations or exception in patents or in Acts authorizing the issuance thereof; (c) water rights, claims or title to water, whether or not the matters excepted under (a), (b), or (c) are shown by the Public Records.
- 7. Any right, title, or interest in any minerals, mineral rights, or related matters, including but not limited to oil, gas, coal and other hydrocarbons.
- 8. Liens or deferred charges for sewer, water mains and service pipes, not shown on the tax rolls.
- 9. Taxes or special assessments which are not shown as existing by the public records.
- 10. The 2024 Real Estate Taxes due and payable in 2025 in the amount \$3,023.84. The 1st half is due April 30, 2025 in the amount of \$1,511.92. The 2nd half is due October 31, 2025 in the amount of \$1,511.92. Tax ID #907.
- 11. County records indicate the property is classified as non-owner occupied status.

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- 12. Any right, title, or interest claimed by any lessee or tenant, or by an assignee of same, in any portion of the subject property by virtue of any unrecorded lease, agreement, or memorandum thereof, including, but not limited to, any option to renew, option to purchase, and restriction against another business of the same nature.
- 13. Reservations, Exceptions and Conditions, if any, in the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1857 and in Acts amendatory thereto, authorizing the Land Grant for the land in Section 27, Township 114 North, Range 48 West to the Territory and Future State of Minnesota to aid in constructing a railroad.
- 14. Reservation contained in Deed Record executed by Winona and St. Peter Railroad Company to George Hanson, filed on September 3, 1886 and recorded in Book E of Deeds on page 190, substantially hereto as follows:

Reserving, however, unto the said Winona and St. Peter Railroad Company, its successors and assigns from the operation and effect of this conveyance, all that portion of the said land above described if any there such be, which lies within lines drawn on each side of, parallel with, and fifty feet distant from the center line of the main track of the railroad

- 15. Vested Drainage Right dated February 13, 1991, executed by I.S. Christopherson, Marlyn & Mary Christopherson filed on February 15, 1991 and recorded in Book 1991 of Miscellaneous on page 3041.
- 16. Vested Drainage Right dated June 29, 1992, executed by Larry Dean Kjenstad and Diane Jean Kjenstad to , filed on June 30, 1992 and recorded in Book 1992 of Miscellaneous on page 3858.
- 17. Electric Line Easement dated June 2, 2014, executed by U.S. Farmland Fund. L.P. to Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation d/b/a Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, filed on May 11, 2015 and recorded in Book 2015 of Miscellaneous on page 3159.
- 18. Memorandum of Wind Lease and Easement Agreement dated August 11, 2016, executed by U.S. Farmland Fund. L.P to Invenergy Wind Development LLC, filed on September 15, 2016 and recorded in Book 2016 of Miscellaneous on page 3418.
- 19. Memorandum of Assignment and Assumption Agreement dated September 10, 2021, executed by Invenergy Wind Development LLC to Deuel Harvest Wind Energy South LLC, filed on September 23, 2021 and recorded in Book 2021 of Miscellaneous on page 3159.
- 20. Memorandum of Solar Easement Agreement dated July 12, 2021, executed by U.S. Farmland Fund. L.P. to Invenergy Solar Project Development LLC, filed on September 27, 2021 and recorded in Book 2021 of Miscellaneous on page 3169.
- 21. Grant of Easements dated November 23, 2022, executed by U.S. Farmland Fund. L.P. to Deuel Harvest Wind Energy South LLC, filed on January 9, 2023 and recorded in Book 2023 of Miscellaneous on page 3004.
- 22. Rights of the public in and to the section line right-of-way.

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- 23. For each policy to be issued as identified in Schedule A, Item #2, the Company shall not be liable under this commitment until it receives a designation for a Proposed Insured, acceptable to the company. As provided in Commitment Condition #4, the Company may amend this commitment to add, among other things, additional exceptions or requirements after the designation of the Proposed Insured.
- 24. The Proposed Policy Amount(s) must be increased to the full value of the estate or interest being insured, and any additional premium must be paid at that time. An Owner's Policy should reflect the purchase price or full value of the land. A Loan Policy should reflect the loan amount of value of the property as collateral. Proposed Policy Amount(s) will be revised and premiums charged consistent herewith when the final amounts are approved.

NOTE: The current vesting document was filed 24 months ago or more. U.S. Farmland Fund, L.P. acquired interest by Warranty Deed from Gladys M. Hawley, a single person, recorded on January 31, 2014 in Book 2014 of Deeds on Page 1031.

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File No.: SD-2549114

The Loan Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment will contain the following Endorsements:

The following endorsements may be issued with the policy upon the receipt, review, and approval of appropriate documentation by the title company:

No Endorsements

Endorsement Exhibit SD-2549114