

# ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE SITE HOST AGREEMENT DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS PARK & PLUG PROGRAM

THIS ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE SITE HOST AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into as of this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 ("Effective Date"), between DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC ("Duke Energy") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Host"). Duke Energy and Host may be referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties".

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Duke Energy has created the Park & Plug program (the "**Program**"), pursuant to which Duke Energy will install, own, operate, maintain and support electric vehicle supply equipment ("**EVSE**") within the Duke Energy Carolinas service area and will record system data to evaluate charging behavior and provide Program evaluations to the North Carolina Utilities Commission ("**NCUC**") on an annual basis;

WHEREAS, Host is the owner or operator of that certain property which has an address of

# (the "Property");

WHEREAS, Host desires to become a participant in the Program and have Duke Energy install EVSE and associated wires, cables and equipment (collectively, the "**Equipment**") at the Property; and

WHEREAS, Duke Energy is willing to enroll Host in the Program and to install the Equipment at the Property in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Program; and

WHEREAS, Duke Energy has selected a company to provide network access for the Program (the "**Network Provider**");

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. DUKE ENERGY'S OBLIGATIONS.

a. Duke Energy and/or its contractors shall design and construct the Equipment in compliance with the Program terms, as well as all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulatory requirements. Duke Energy and/or its contractors will coordinate location, placement, and connection of the Equipment with Host. Should the proposed installation schedule require modification, Duke Energy shall notify the Host within a reasonable amount of time of such changes. At the option of Duke Energy, all Equipment shall be Duke Energy branded.

b. Duke Energy shall install a new meter and panel at the Property, which shall represent a separate account in Duke Energy's name. Duke Energy, via the Network Provider, shall collect a user fee ("User Fee") for electricity dispensed from the Equipment in connection with EV drivers use of the Equipment.. The User Fee is the rate specified in the approved tariff(s) filed with NCUC in connection with the Program.

d. Maintenance; Expenses: During the Term (as defined in Section 3 below) of this Agreement, subject to Section 2(c) below, Duke Energy and/or its contractors shall maintain and repair the Equipment at Duke Energy's expense. Duke Energy shall repair the Equipment promptly following notification from Host. Duke Energy shall have the right to repair, modify or replace the Equipment at any time during the Term of this Agreement. Duke Energy shall schedule access for installation, maintenance and repairs during a mutually agreeable time, except in emergency situations. During the Term, Duke Energy shall be responsible for all installation, maintenance and repair, and operational costs associated with the Equipment and shall pay all network access fees required for the Program to the Network Provider.

#### 2. HOST'S OBLIGATIONS.

a. Host shall provide Duke Energy, its representatives, Network Provider, contractors, and designees access to the Program site for purposes of design and installation of the Equipment.

b. Host agrees to grant Duke Energy permission as needed for Duke Energy to install the Equipment and implement the Program at the Property.

c. Host shall grant to Duke Energy and/or its contractors such access to the Property as may be deemed necessary or desirable by Duke Energy for the assessment, installation, and the maintenance, repair and/or replacement of all or any portion(s) of the Equipment throughout the Term of this Agreement. In the event the Equipment fails to operate or otherwise requires repairs, Host shall notify Duke Energy promptly. Host shall not damage, disable, modify or tamper with the Equipment in any way except to the extent required by an emergency situation. If Host violates the preceding sentence, Duke Energy shall repair or replace the Equipment at Host's expense.

d. Host may request additional Equipment upgrades or configuration alternatives as set forth in Exhibit A beyond those chosen by Duke Energy ("Upgrade(s)"). Host shall be responsible for any additional fees in connection with the Upgrade(s), and shall render payment prior to installation of Equipment.

e. Host acknowledges that Duke Energy and/or its contractors will gather data and information from the Equipment with respect to vehicle charging activity, vehicle usage and technical performance of the vehicle and Equipment. Duke Energy shall own all rights to such data and information. Host acknowledges that such data and

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information will be used and disclosed by Duke Energy and third parties for the purpose of understanding and evaluating the impact of electric vehicles on transit systems and the electric power grid, for use in regulatory reporting, industry forums, case studies or other similar activities, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Duke Energy will make available to the Host relevant station utilization data to assist with decisions to invest in additional charging stations by the Host.

g. Host shall provide accessible charging point and nondiscriminatory access to the EVSE in accordance with Host's selected Site Host Segment Type and Accessibility as set forth in Exhibit A. For multi-family dwellings, Host shall provide equal access for all tenants, respectively. For public installations, this means a site is available to any electric vehicle driver regardless of affiliation (i.e. a business cannot designate a public charger for their customers only).

h. Host shall be permitted to promote and advertise the Program; provided, however, Duke Energy reserves the right to review and approve any and all advertising, marketing, or promotional copy or materials developed or used by the Host which references the Host's participation in the Program. Duke Energy may require the Host to submit such copy and materials for pre-approval. Approval shall be granted, unless Duke Energy in its sole discretion, reasonably determines that the copy or materials are misleading, in error, or fail to meet the requirements of the Program terms and conditions, or is not in Duke Energy's best interest. In the event that Duke Energy does not approve, Host agrees to remove from circulation or otherwise discontinue the use of any such materials.

i. Host shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the Equipment in a clean, safe, and orderly condition, to at least the same standard as it customarily maintains the common areas at the Host Property. Host shall take reasonable measures to discourage and prevent anyone other than an EV driver or to whom a particular EVSE has been dedicated from parking in such space, including, without limitation, towing.

### 3. TERM AND TERMINATION.

a. This Agreement shall be effective as of the date of execution by both Parties. The term shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue until December 31<sup>st</sup> 2026 (the "**Term**"), unless sooner terminated or extended as provided herein. Duke Energy shall have the option, with Host's consent, to extend the Term of this Agreement for one year by giving Host written notice of such extension at least thirty (30) days prior to the end of the Term. Upon expiration of the original or extended Term, Duke Energy shall (i) transfer title to the Equipment to Host as set forth in Section 5 below, or (ii) remove the Equipment at Duke Energy's expense. Notwithstanding foregoing, Host acknowledges and agree, that if mandated by the NCUC, modifications to the Term may be required.

b. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Duke Energy shall have the right to terminate this Agreement at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice to Host, which shall be effective as of the effective date of termination set Electric Vehicle Site Host Agreement Page 2 of 4 forth in such notice. In addition, in the event Duke Energy determines that the Property is not technically compatible for the purposes hereunder, Duke Energy shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to Host. Unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties, Duke Energy shall remove the Equipment following any such termination.

4. <u>ELECTRIC SERVICE COST/INTERRUPTION OF</u> <u>SERVICE</u>. Duke Energy shall be responsible for the installation of a system by which to charge for all electrical consumption costs derived from the utilization of EVSE for charging electric vehicles. During the Term, Duke Energy will be responsible for the electrical consumption costs. The Parties acknowledge and agree that, pursuant to the tariff on file with the North Carolina Utilities Commission, Duke Energy does not guarantee continuity of service to the EVSE and is not responsible or liable for interruption, failure, or defect in the supply or character of electricity furnished to facilities or Equipment.

5. TITLE TO EQUIPMENT. At all times during the Term of this Agreement, title to the Equipment shall remain with Duke Energy and is not to be considered fixtures or in any way the property of Host. Upon the expiration of this Agreement, including any extensions thereof, and at Duke Energy option and Host's consent, Duke Energy may transfer title to the Equipment to Host for the current book value of the Equipment determined on the date of Host's notice of consent to transfer title, with no warranties, and Host shall remit such payment within thirty days of the parties' agreement to transfer title. Title to the Equipment shall transfer upon payment. Upon transfer of title to the Equipment to Host, (i) Host releases Duke Energy from any liabilities, including, but not limited to, any claim or action for bodily injury or property damage resulting from or related to the Equipment or the use of the Equipment whether arising prior to or after such transfer, and (ii) Host will be responsible for electrical consumption costs, network access fees, maintenance costs, and any repair costs thereafter.

GOVERNMENTAL APPROVALS. It is understood and 6. agreed that Duke Energy's ability to install the Equipment is contingent upon its obtaining, after the execution date of this Agreement, all of the applicable permits and other approvals that may be required by any federal, state or local authorities (collectively the "Governmental Approvals"). Host shall cooperate with Duke Energy in its effort to obtain such Governmental Approvals. In the event that any of such applications for such Governmental Approvals should be finally rejected or Duke Energy determines that such Governmental Approvals may not be obtained in a timely manner or any Governmental Approval issued to Duke Energy is canceled, expires, lapses, or is otherwise withdrawn or terminated by governmental authority, Duke Energy shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to Host.

7. <u>ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS</u>. Host understands and accepts that electric vehicle charging facilities that are publicly accessible shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and any applicable North Carolina building standards. Host understands and accepts that such standards may impact parking layouts and potentially change the number of non-accessible parking spaces available. Host understands and accepts that changes to initial design representations may occur during the design, construction and operational phases of the Program facility as may be dictated by design constraints, by law or regulation or by local jurisdictional authorities.

8. <u>DUTY TO NOTIFY</u>. Host shall have the duty to notify Duke Energy promptly regarding any unsafe, inoperable or damaged equipment that applicant becomes aware of. In addition, Host shall promptly report all claims and/or incidents to Duke Energy or its designated representative(s), and promptly thereafter confirm in writing, the occurrence of any injury, loss, or damage incurred.

9. **COMPENSATION**. Under no conditions shall Host or EV drivers receive compensation of any kind, either by cash, inkind services, or otherwise, for any duties or requirements provided for in these terms and conditions or for participation in any way as part of the Program, including but not limited to: use of data for lawful purposes, loss of business activity during construction or maintenance activities, or any other inconvenience or loss, without limitation, related to participation in the Program.

10. <u>CHANGES</u>. Duke Energy may initiate changes to the Program as circumstances dictate.

11. <u>AUTHORITY</u>. Host represents and warrants that it is the owner or authorized manager of the proposed Property and has the authority and capacity to bind itself to undertake the Program terms and conditions; and to perform each and every obligation required of Host under the Program.

12. **<u>DAMAGE TO PROPERTY</u>**. Duke Energy shall be responsible for repairing any damage to the Property directly caused by the installation, maintenance and/or repair of the Equipment.

13. **INDEMNIFICATION**. Each Party shall indemnify and hold the other harmless against any claim of liability or loss from bodily injury or property damage resulting from or arising out of the negligence of such Party, its servants or agents, excepting, however, such claims or damages as may be due to or caused by the acts or omissions of the other Party, its servants or agents.

14. **SALE OF PROPERTY**. Host shall notify Duke Energy at least thirty (30) days prior to any sale of the Property. Within thirty (30) days following receipt of such notice, Duke Energy, in its sole discretion, may elect to permit the Host to transfer this agreement and all obligations of the Host to the new owner or to remove the Equipment at Host's cost. If Duke Energy elects to remove the Equipment, this Agreement shall be deemed to be automatically terminated without any further action required by either party as of the earlier of (a) the date the sale of the Property is consummated and (b) the date the Equipment is removed.

15. **TAXES/TAX CREDITS**. To the extent the installation of the Equipment generates any tax credits, such credits shall be the sole property of and shall inure to the benefit of Duke Energy for the period for which it owns the Equipment provided under this Agreement.

16. <u>LIMITATION OF LIABILITY</u>. In no event shall either Party be liable for consequential, special, incidental,

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exemplary, punitive, or any indirect damages of any nature arising at any time, from any cause whatsoever.

17. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina without reference to its conflict of laws principles.

18. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between Duke Energy and Host with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior negotiations, binding documents, representations and agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument duly executed by each of the Parties.

19. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**. Host may not assign, convey or transfer all or any part of this Agreement without Duke Energy's prior written consent. This Agreement shall be binding on, and inure to the benefit of, the Parties and their successors and permitted assigns. Duke Energy may assign this Agreement or any benefit, interest, right or cause of action arising under the Agreement to any person without restriction.

20. **NO WAIVER**. No course of dealing or failure of Duke Energy or Host to enforce strictly any term, right or condition of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of that term, right or condition. No express waiver of any term, right or condition of this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of any other term, right or condition.

21. **SURVIVAL**. All sections of this Agreement providing for indemnification or limitation of or protection against liability of either Party shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement. Additionally, any provisions of this Agreement which require performance subsequent to the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall also survive such termination or expiration.

22. **SEVERABILITY**. If any provision of this Agreement or the application of this Agreement to any person or circumstance shall to any extent be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of that provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is specifically held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected, and every remaining provision of this Agreement shall be valid and binding to the fullest extent permitted by laws.

23. **NOTICES**. All notices hereunder must be in writing and shall be deemed validly given if sent by U.S. mail, commercial courier, personal delivery, fax or email, addressed as follows (or any other address that the Party to be notified may have designated to the sender by like notice):

Host:

Attn: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone:

Duke Energy:	Duke Energy
	Customer Prototype Lab
	Attn: Park & Plug NC
	Mail Code 26A
	400 South Tryon, Charlotte, NC 28202

Notice shall be effective upon receipt or such later date specified in the notice.

24. <u>COUNTERPARTS</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Transmission of images of signed signature pages by facsimile, e-mail or other electronic means shall have the same effect as the delivery of manually signed documents in person.

25. <u>NO JOINT VENTURE</u>. The Parties intend by this Agreement to establish the basis upon which they will cooperate together, but on an independent basis. This Agreement does not constitute or create a joint venture, partnership, or any other similar arrangement between the Parties. Each of the Parties is independent and none of them are an agent of, nor has the authority to bind the other for any purpose. No Party shall bind any other, or represent that it has the authority to do so.

26. <u>PHOTOS/VIDEO OF EQUIPMENT</u>. Host agrees, upon reasonable notice to allow Duke Energy to enter the Property to take photographs or video of the Equipment. Duke Energy shall own all copyright and other intellectual property rights of such photographs or videos. To the extent the Property appears in any such photographs or videos, Host consents to Duke Energy's use and disclosure of such photographs or videos of the Property.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first above written.

DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC

Ву:\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Title:\_\_\_\_\_

HOST:

Ву:\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Title:\_\_\_\_\_

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# Exhibit A

# Site Host Segment Type and Availability Requirements

Site Host Segment Type and Availability: (Check which applies)

\_\_\_\_Multi-Family Dwelling (Level Two 208v-240v single phase, Multifamily residences and installed in the commons areas)

Describe access to residents and the time period(s) available for charging

Public Level 2 (Level Two 208v-240v single phase, available for general public access)

List any limitations of public access to the station(s) - Indicate days and times of day station will be publicly available

**Public Fast Charging** (208v - 480v 3 Phase units with Chademo and CCS Combo connectors, available for general public access)

List any limitations of public access to the station(s) - Indicate days and times of day station will be publicly available