

**CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS  
INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE  
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT**

**Whereas,** the City of Rochester Hills is a Home Rule Michigan Municipal Corporation and a local governmental unit within the meaning of Public Act 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended; and

**Whereas,** Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended, provides for the consideration by a local governmental unit of an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; and

**Whereas,** effective April 1, 1994 Public Act 198 was amended to require a written agreement between the local governmental unit and the owner of an industrial property which is to be filed with the Department of Treasury; and

**Whereas,** 2923 Technology Dr. is a facility within an established Industrial Development District within the City of Rochester Hills; and

**Whereas,** all conditions precedent as required by Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended, have been met; and

**Whereas,** The City of Rochester Hills City Council, after notice and public hearing as required by statute, has approved Energy Conversion Devices, Inc.'s application for an industrial facilities exemption certificate.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved,** that it is mutually agreed and understood as follows:

1. The application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate is approved for a period of eight (8) years effective on Dec. 31, 2006, for real and personal property.
2. The approval of the City of Rochester Hills is based upon a legislative finding that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFT) considered with the aggregate amount of previously granted Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates does not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Rochester Hills or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit that levies an ad valorem property tax within the City of Rochester Hills.
3. In the event the applicant, Energy Conversion Devices, Inc., ceases doing business or lays off more than 50 percent of its work force for a period of six months or more prior to the expiration of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, the remaining term of years shall be null and void and all ad valorem taxes abated as a result of the issuance of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate shall immediately become due and payable upon demand by the City. Furthermore, failure by Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. to pay said abated taxes within 30 days shall result in the City placing a lien upon all properties covered by the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate on the tax rolls of the City and/or County, which lien may not be discharged until the payment thereof and which lien shall be treated in the same manner as delinquent taxes.

4. The provisions of Paragraph 3 (above) shall be implemented pursuant to Public Act 198 of 1974, Sections 13 and 15, since the purposes for the issuance of the certificate are no longer being fulfilled and there is no reasonable likelihood that employment will be created or retained.
5. Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. shall have the duty to notify the City of Rochester Hills in writing within 24 hours of the date in which the facility has been closed or more than 50 percent of its employees have been laid off. The failure to do so shall result in the addition of penalties, interest and costs allowed by statute in the case of delinquent taxes to be levied on the abated taxes in addition to the principal amounts.
6. Applicant Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. has indicated that 40 jobs will be retained and 28 new jobs added to its work force within 24 months of project completion. Applicant Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. has indicated an initial investment of a minimum of \$1,000,000 and a maximum investment of \$2,430,000 required to implement and support the facility within 24 months of the date of this agreement. This investment shall include the cost of building improvements, machinery and equipment, offsite computer equipment, as well as furniture and fixtures.
7. If, after 24 months from the date of project completion, and any time subsequent thereto, applicant Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. has not employed the number of persons set forth in Paragraph 6, or has not made the minimum investment of \$1,000,000 required to implement and support the facility, the City shall be entitled to reduce the number of years of the Certificate in accordance with the Tax Exemption Chart in Exhibit "A".
8. No later than the 10th day of January immediately following the second year after the issuance of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate and annually thereafter, the company shall submit a letter to the City Assessor stating:
  - A. The number of new jobs identified in the IFT application within a two-year period and the actual number of new jobs created.
  - B. If the IFT was granted on the basis of job retention, the number of employees at the time of the application and the current number of employees.
  - C. If projection for creation of jobs was not reached, give explanation.
  - D. The estimated project cost given in the application and the actual project cost
  - E. If actual project costs differ substantially from projected cost, give explanation.
  - F. Current number of employees and their city of residence.
  - G. If the current number of employees is less than the number projected in the application, an explanation for the reduced number shall be included.

9. The applicant, Energy Conversion Devices, Inc., agrees to remain in the City of Rochester Hills for the period of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate to retain the benefits of the abated taxes, unless permission is granted by the City Council. Failure to obtain permission prior to the end of the term of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate shall result in the right of the City to recapture from applicant all taxes abated plus interest at the rate of 8% per year compounded annually. The taxes and interest shall be a lien placed upon the tax rolls of the City and/or County and collected in the same manner as set forth in Paragraph 3.
10. The covenants herein shall bind the heirs, designees, legatees, assigns and successors of the respective parties. The laws of the State of Michigan shall govern this contract. In the event that any provision of this agreement shall be deemed to be unlawful or unenforceable, it shall be construed to be severed here-from and not affect the enforceability of any provision herein contained.
11. This agreement shall not be effective until approved by the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills and signed by the Mayor and City Clerk of the City and the appropriate company representatives.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties hereto caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the day and year indicated below.

(Signatures on the Next Page)

**ENERGY CONVERSION DEVICES, INC.**

Address: 2923 Technology Dr.  
Rochester Hills, MI. 48309

WITNESSES:

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nancy M. Bacon

ITS: Senior Vice President

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS**

Address: 1000 Rochester Hills Dr.  
Rochester Hills, MI. 48309

WITNESSES:

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bryan Barnett

ITS: Mayor

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES:

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BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jane Leslie

ITS: City Clerk

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_