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# Electric Vehicle Charging Station and EV-Dedicated Time of Use Meter Installation

This Electric Vehicle Charging Station and EV-Dedicated TOU Meter Policy ("Policy") is established in accordance with Civil Code §§4745 and 4745.1 and the Mutual's Governing Documents, to govern the installation of electric vehicle charging stations and electric vehicle, as defined below, within the development and provide requirements for Shareholders seeking approval from the Board of Directors ("Board") for installation of a solar energy system. The Policy revokes all previous Operating Rules, Regulations and Policies regarding the same matters and substitutes this Policy in their place.

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#### 1. Definitions

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a. "Electric Vehicle Charging Station" means a station, compliant with the California Building Standards Code, which delivers electricity from a source outside an electric vehicle into one or more electric vehicles. An electric vehicle charging station may include several charge points simultaneously connecting several electric vehicles to the station and any related equipment needed to facilitate charging plug-in electric vehicles. Civil Code §4745(d).

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b. "EV-Dedicated TOU Meter" means an electric meter supplied and installed by an electric utility, that is separate from, and in addition to, any other electric meter and is devoted exclusively to the charging of electric vehicles, and that tracks the time of use (TOU) when charging occurs. An EV-Dedicated TOU meter includes any wiring or conduit necessary to connect the electric meter to an electric vehicle charging station, as defined in Civil Code §4745.1, regardless of whether it is supplied or installed by an electric utility. Civil Code §4745.1(d).

c. Definitions in Governing Documents. Capitalized terms herein have the same definitions as the same terms when found in the Mutual's current Governing Documents or the law.

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# 2. General Requirements

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a. Health and Safety Compliance. All Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and EVDedicated TOU Meters installed in the Development must meet applicable health and safety standards and requirements imposed by state and local authorities, and all other applicable zoning, land use, or other ordinances, or land use permits. Civil Code §§4745(c) and 4745.1(c).

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39 40 b. Governing Documents. Installation, removal, replacement, and use of any Electric Vehicle Charging Station and EV-Dedicated TOU Meter must comply with all architectural procedures, standards and other requirements of the Mutual's

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Governing Documents. Civil Code §§4745(f)(1)(A) and 4745.1(f)(1)(A).

- c. Licensed Contractors. Regardless of whether Mutual approval is required, any installation, removal, replacement of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station and EVDedicated TOU Meter must be performed by a contractor, licensed by the State of California to perform the necessary work, and who has liability insurance for the work to be provided with commercially reasonable policy limits.
- d. Building Department and Mutual Approvals. Any installation, removal or replacement of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter requiring the issuance of a building permit must be submitted by the Shareholder to the appropriate governmental entity for review and approval. If there is a conflict between the conditions of approval imposed by the governmental entity and the Mutual, the more restrictive conditions will control. The Board may impose conditions of approval which are more restrictive than conditions imposed by governmental agencies.

#### 3. Architectural Approval Requirements and Procedures

- a. Approval Required. Installation, removal or replacement of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter, including any related wiring, conduits, or other components, within or through any portion of the Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area or the Common Area, without advanced written approval from the Mutual's Board of Directors is prohibited. Installation, removal or replacement of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter, including all related wiring, conduit and other components, entirely within the Shareholder's separate interest does not require Mutual approval, but is subject to all other requirements herein and required by law.
- b. Approval Process. Any application for approval of the installation of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station or an EV-Dedicated TOU Meter must be processed and approved by the Mutual in the same manner as any other architectural application for approval and must not be willfully avoided or delayed. Approvals and disapprovals must be in writing. Civil Code §§4745(e) and 4745.1(e). Disapprovals must include both an explanation of why the proposed change is disapproved and a description of the procedure for reconsideration of the decision by the Board. Civil Code §4765(a)(5).
- c. Approval of Individuals Prohibited. Applications cannot not be approved by any individual Director. In the event an individual Director approves architectural plans

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and specifications, such approval should not be relied upon and will not be deemed approval.

- d. Appeal to Board. If a proposed installation is disapproved, the Shareholder is entitled to reconsideration by the Board at an open meeting of the Board, except if the disapproval was made at a properly noticed open meeting of the Board or a committee that has the same membership as the Board. Civil Code §4765(a)(5).
- e. Submission of Plans. Plans and specifications in accordance with the Mutual's Governing Documents must be submitted to the Board by personal delivery or certified mail. Unless a delay in approval by the Board is the result of (i) the applicant's failure to properly submit an application in accordance with the Mutual's guidelines, or (ii) a reasonable request by the Board for additional information, the application will be deemed approved after forty-five (45) days of being submitted to the Board, unless the application has been disapproved by the Board. Civil Code §§4745(e) and 4745.1(e). Provided, however, that all applications that violate the Mutual's Governing Documents or Building and Safety Codes are automatically disapproved without action by the Board unless variances are specifically approved in writing by the Board.

#### 4. Conditions of Approval

- a. Conditions of Approval Electric Vehicle Charging Station. The Shareholder must meet the following conditions before approval will be granted for the installation, removal, replacement of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station, including any related wiring, conduits, or other components, within or through any portion of the Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area or the Common Area:
  - i. Use a licensed contractor to install the station.
  - ii. Provide a certificate of insurance that names the Mutual as an additional insured under the Shareholder's insurance policy in the amount of \$1,000,000.
  - iii. Pay for both the costs associated with the installation of and the electricity usage associated with the Electric Vehicle Charging Station.
  - iv. Execute an agreement containing covenants to be prepared by the Mutual, at the Shareholder's expense, which makes the current and future owners of the Shareholder's dwelling unit responsible for at least the following:
    - 1. Costs for damage to the Electric Vehicle Charging Station, Common Area, Exclusive Use Common Area, or separate interests resulting

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from the installation, maintenance, repair, removal, or replacement of the charging station.

- 2. Costs for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the Electric Vehicle Charging Station until it has been removed and for the restoration of the Common Area after removal.
- 3. The cost of electricity associated with the Electric Vehicle Charging Station.
- 4. Disclosing to prospective buyers the existence of any Electric Vehicle Charging Station of the Shareholder and the related responsibilities of the Shareholder under the agreement.

#### Civil Code §4745(f).

- b. Conditions of Approval EV-Dedicated TOU Meter. The Shareholder must meet the following conditions before approval will be granted for the installation, removal, or replacement of an EV-Dedicated TOU Meter, including any related wiring, conduits, or other components, within or through any portion of the Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area or the Common Area:
  - i. Engage the relevant electric utility to install the EV-Dedicated TOU Meter and, if necessary, a licensed contractor to install wiring or conduit necessary to connect the electric meter to an Electric Vehicle Charging Station at Shareholder's expense.
  - ii. Provide a certificate of insurance that names the Mutual as an additional insured under the Shareholder's insurance policy in the amount of \$1,000,000.
  - iii. Execute an agreement containing covenants to be prepared and recorded by the Mutual, at the Shareholder's expense, which makes the current and future owners of the Shareholder's dwelling unit responsible for the following:
    - 1. Costs for damage to the EV-Dedicated TOU Meter, Common Area, Exclusive Use Common Area, or separate interests resulting from the installation, maintenance, repair, removal, or replacement of the EVDedicated TOU Meter.
    - 2. Costs for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the EVDedicated TOU Meter until it has been removed and for the

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restoration of the Common Area after removal.

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Civil Code §4745.1(f).

- 5. Additional Restrictions and Conditions of Approval. The Mutual may impose additional reasonable restrictions and architectural standards concerning the installation, use, removal and replacement of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and EV-Dedicated TOU Meters. The Board may impose additional reasonable conditions of approval of the Shareholder's architectural request to install an Electric Vehicle Charging Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter which are not inconsistent with the Mutual's Governing Documents and the law.
  - a. Limitations on Electric Vehicle Charging Station Restrictions. Restrictions on Electric Vehicle Charging Stations may not significantly increase the cost of the station or significantly decrease its efficiency or specified performance. Civil Code §4745(b).
  - b. Limitations on EV-Dedicated TOU Meter Restrictions. Reasonable restrictions and conditions on EV-Dedicated TOU Meters may be based on space, aesthetics, structural integrity, and equal access to such services for all Shareholders, but the Mutual must attempt to find a reasonable way to accommodate the requested installation unless doing so would require the Mutual to incur an expense. Civil Code §4745.1(b).
- 6. Permissible Installation Locations
  - a. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations may be installed in the following locations.
    - i. Separate Interest or Designated Space. The Mutual must permit installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations within a Shareholder's dwelling unit or in a designated parking space, including, but not limited to, a deeded parking space, a parking space in a Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area (as defined in the Mutual's Governing Documents), or a parking space that is specifically designated for use by a particular Shareholder. Civil Code §4745(a).
    - ii. Common Area for Exclusive Use by a Shareholder. The Mutual must permit

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installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for the exclusive use of a Shareholder in the Common Area, which is not Exclusive Use Common Area, only if installation in the Shareholder's designated parking space is impossible or unreasonably expensive. In this case, the Mutual and Shareholder must enter into a license agreement for the use of the space in the Common Area. Civil Code §4745(g).

- iii. Common Area for Use by all Shareholders. Upon approval of the Board or the Membership of the Mutual, an Electric Vehicle Charging Station may be installed in the Common Areas for the use of all Shareholders of the Mutual, subject to such terms and conditions of use established by the Mutual. Civil Code §4745(h).
- iv. New Parking Space. The Mutual may create a new parking space where one did not previously exist to facilitate the installation of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station. Civil Code §4745(i).
- b. EV-Dedicated TOU Meters. EV-Dedicated TOU Meters may be installed in the following locations.
  - i. Shareholder's Separate Interest. To the extent reasonably possible, an EVDedicated TOU Meters must be installed in the Shareholder's separate interest.
  - ii. Exclusive Use Common Area. If installation of an EV-Dedicated TOU Meters in the Shareholder's separate interest is not reasonably possible, it must be installed in the Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area, if any.
  - iii. Common Area for Exclusive Use by a Shareholder. If installation in the Shareholder's separate interest and the Shareholder's Exclusive Use Common Area, if any, is not reasonably possible, an EV-Dedicated TOU Meter may be installed in the non-exclusive Common Area, if reasonable. In this case, the Mutual and Shareholder must enter into a license agreement for the use of the space in the Common Area.
  - iv. Common Area for All Shareholders. Upon approval of the Board or the Membership of the Mutual, an EV-Dedicated TOU Meter may be installed in the Common Areas for the use of all Shareholders of the Mutual, subject to such terms and conditions of use established by the Mutual. Civil Code §4745.1(g).

#### 7. Other Requirements

- a. Insurance
  - i. Insurance Required. Any Shareholder with an Electric Vehicle Charging

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Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter, whether located within a separate dwelling unit or within the Common Area or Exclusive Use Common Area, must, at all times, maintain a liability coverage policy with limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000). The Shareholder that submitted the application to install the Electric Vehicle Charging Station or EV-Dedicated TOU Meter must provide the Mutual with the corresponding certificate of insurance within 14 days of approval of the application. That Shareholder and each successor Shareholder must provide the Mutual with the certificate of insurance annually thereafter. Civil Code 4745(f)(3).

- ii. Exception to Insurance Requirement. A Shareholder is not required to maintain a liability coverage policy for an Electric Vehicle Charging Station consisting of an existing National Electrical Manufacturers Association standard alternating current power plug. Civil Code §4745(f)(4).
- b. Good Standing. Only Shareholders in Good Standing may submit architectural requests for approval of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations or EV-Dedicated TOU Meters. "Good Standing" is defined to mean Shareholders who are not delinquent by more than sixty (60) days in the payment of any Assessment, fee, or fine, and not found to be in violation of the Mutual's Governing Documents (following proper notice, hearing, and a finding by the Board).
- c. Architect/Consultant. The Board may retain the services of an architect and one or more consultants to assist the Board in its duties. Compensation for consultants' services must be fixed by the Board. The cost of such consultants and any related expenses may be charged to those Shareholders submitting plans for installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations or EV-Dedicated TOU Meters. Any significant costs must be submitted to the Shareholder for approval before being incurred by the Mutual.
- d. Inspection. The Mutual has the right, but not the obligation, to periodically inspect any work approved by the Board. Shareholders must allow inspection and work may be halted and the Shareholder fined if inspection is not allowed. Such inspections do not relieve a Shareholder from his/her duty to comply with the Mutual's Architectural Standards and all applicable building and fire codes.
- e. Mechanics' Liens. Shareholders must ensure that no lien is placed against any other dwelling unit or against the Common Areas for labor or material furnished to the applicant Shareholder's dwelling units. If a lien is placed against the Common Areas and any other Shareholders' dwelling units, and the responsible Shareholder does not immediately cause the removal of the lien, the Mutual may, after written notice to the responsible Shareholder, pay the amounts necessary to have the lien

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removed and levy a Reimbursement Assessment against the responsible Shareholder for the monies advanced as well as any fees and costs incurred by the Mutual to remove the lien.

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