### ATTACHMENT I

### EARTHGRID PBC CORPORATION

Delaware Articles of Incorporation

and

Certificate of Authority to Transact Business In South Dakota From the Secretary of State

State of Delaware
Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
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### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF Red Gopher Cooperative Corp. A NON-STOCK, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

**FIRST:** The name of the Corporation is Red Gopher Cooperative Corp.

**SECOND:** Its registered office is to be located at 1013 Centre Rd. Suite 403-A, Wilmington, DE 19805, County of New Castle. The registered agent thereof is American Incorporators Ltd. whose address is the same as above.

### THIRD:

The Corporation is a nonprofit organization organized and operated exclusively for one or more religious, charitable, scientific, testing for public safety, literary, or educational purposes, or to foster national or international amateur sports competition (but only if no part of its activities involve the provision of athletic facilities or equipment), or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended, or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Certificate or any provisions of applicable state law to the contrary, the Corporation shall not have the power to carry on any activities which would cause it to fail to qualify, or to continue to qualify, as (a) an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3)of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent United States Internal Revenue law, or (b) any organization, contributions to which are deductible under Sections 170, 2055 and 2522 of the same Internal Revenue Code as amended. The Corporation shall be authorized to solicit, receive and administer funds for the above purposes but the Corporation shall not be authorized to accept gifts or contributions for other than the purposes herein before stated. The funds of the Corporation shall not be restricted in use to people of any race, color, sex, national origin, religion, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status or creed and such funds shall be administered on a nondiscriminatory basis.

The Corporation shall have the authority to exercise all of the powers conferred upon corporations organized not for profit and without authority to issue capital stock under the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, provided, that the exercise of any such powers shall be in furtherance of any one or more of the aforesaid exempt purposes of the Corporation, and within such limitations shall include as its purposes, but not be limited to, the general promotion of the health of and a safer environment for the citizens of the United States of America.

### FOURTH:

The Corporation shall be a membership corporation and shall have no authority to issue capital stock. The Members of the Corporation shall be the Directors thereof and shall act as the Members and Directors of the Corporation until the election of their successors as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

### FIFTH:

No part of the earnings of the Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of or be distributable to any Member or individual having a personal or private interest in the activities of the Corporation, and no substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall ever be the carrying on of propaganda, or

otherwise attending to influence legislation. The Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. No Officer, Director, Member or employee of the Corporation shall receive or be lawfully entitled to receive any pecuniary profit from the operations and activities of the Corporation except reimbursement for out of pocket expenditures and reasonable compensation for services actually rendered to and on behalf of the Corporation.

SIXTH:

The affairs and business of the Corporation shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors. The qualifications, election, number, tenure, powers, and duties of the members of the Board of Directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws.

SEVENTH:

If, at any time or times, the Corporation shall be classified as a private foundation under United States Internal Revenue laws, then at such time or times the Corporation shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- (1) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (2) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner so as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (3) The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (4) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (5) The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

EIGHTH:

No Member of the Corporation, member of the Board of Directors or Officer shall be personally liable for the payment of the debts of the Corporation except as such Member, Director, or Officer may be liable by reason of his own conduct or acts.

NINTH:

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred upon the Board of Directors by law, the Board of Directors shall have the power to make, adopt, or repeal, from time to time, the By-laws of the Corporation.

TENTH:

In the event of the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, whether voluntary, involuntary, or by operation of law, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall, except as may be otherwise provided by law, transfer all of the assets of the Corporation in such manner as the Directors, in the exercise of their discretion, may be a majority vote determine; provided, however, that

any such distribution of assets shall be calculated to carry out the objects and purposes hereinbefore stated in Article THIRD hereof, and only such objects and purposes; and, provided further, that such distributions must be to one or more organizations (a) which are exempt from tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any subsequent United States Internal Revenue laws, and (b) contributions to which are deductible under the provisions of Sections 170, 2055, and 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent United State Internal Revenue laws.

ELEVENTH:

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, or repeal any provisions contained in this Certificate of Incorporation in a manner now or hereafter prescribed by applicable statutes, and all rights conferred herein are granted subject to this reservation; provided, however, that no amendment shall authorize the Board of Directors or the Members of the Corporation to conduct the affairs of the Corporation in any manner or for any purpose contrary to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3)of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any subsequent United States Internal Revenue laws.

TWELFTH:

The power of the incorporator will terminate upon filing of the Certificate of Incorporation. The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Curtis Sweltz 1013 Centre Rd. Suite 403-A Wilmington, DE 19805

FOURTEENTH:

The duration of the Corporation is to be perpetual.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a Corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware, do make, file and record this certificate, and do certify that the facts stated herein are true, and I have accordingly set my hand as of September 23, 2016

Curtis Sweltz
INCORPORATOR

## Statement of Incorporator IN LIEU OF ORGANIZATION MEETING OF RED GOPHER COOPERATIVE CORP.

**THE UNDERSIGNED,** being the Incorporator of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp. a corporation of the State of Delaware, does hereby adopt the following resolutions and takes the following action by written consent in lieu of a meeting:

**RESOLVED**, that a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp., as filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of Delaware on the September 23, 2016, be, and the same hereby is, ordered filed in the minute book of this corporation; and

**RESOLVED,** that the number of initial directors forming this corporation shall be One (1); and

**RESOLVED**, that from this day hence, the undersigned has fulfilled the duties of Incorporator and relinquishes all further duties to the initial Directors of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp.; and

**RESOLVED,** that the following named person(s) shall constitute the initial director(s) of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp.:

Troy Helming

Signed and executed by the Incorporator on September 23, 2016.

Curtis Sweltz Incorporator

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## AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF RED GOPHER COOPERATIVE CORP.

The undersigned, President of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp., a non-stock, non-profit organization organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (hereinafter "the Corporation"), does hereby certify as follows:

- (1) That the Certificate of Incorporation of Red Gopher Cooperative Corp. was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware September 23, 2016; and
- (2) That the Corporation hereby amends and fully restates the Certificate of Incorporation, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of the corporation

Now therefore, the undersigned, pursuant to Sections 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, does hereby restate and amend the Certificate of Incorporation as follows:

# AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF RED GOPHER COOPERATIVE PBC A PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION

FIRST: The name of the corporation is Red Gopher Cooperative PBC (hereinafter "the Corporation")

SECOND: The registered office of this corporation in the State of Delaware is 1013 Centre Road, Suite 403-A, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19805 and its registered agent at that address is American Incorporators Ltd.

THIRD: The purpose of the corporation is to develop and build a subterranean clean energy superhighway system to connect low cost, fixed price wind and solar power plants to cities and industrial centers. The Corporation shall then develop and build a network of vacuum tunnels underground to support Hyperloop and other forms of low cost, super-high-speed transportation solutions designed for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

FOURTH: The amount of the authorized capital stock of this corporation is One Million (1000000) shares with a par value of 0.0001 and are to be of one class.

FIFTH: The name and address of the incorporator are: Curtis Sweltz, 1013 Centre Road, Suite 403-A, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19805

SIXTH: Each person who serves as a director of the corporation shall not be liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware as the same exists or may hereafter be amended. Any amendment, modification or repeal of the foregoing sentence by the stockholders of the corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the corporation in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such amendment, modification or repeal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, the President of the above referenced corporation, for the purpose of amending and restating the Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to Sections 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, do make this certificate, and accordingly have hereunto executed this Certificate this 22nd day of March, 2018.

Troy Heiming, President

### Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation

Red Gopher Cooperative PBC, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Red Gopher Cooperative PBC, the following resolutions were duly adopted setting forth proposed amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation of said corporation, declaring said amendment to be advisable and consent of the stockholders of said corporation for consideration thereof. The resolution setting forth the proposed amendment is as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation be amended by changing the Article thereof numbered "FOURTH" so that, as amended, said Article shall be and read as follows: The amount of total authorized capital stock of the corporation is One Thousand Five Hundred (1500) common shares with a par value of \$0.000000.

**SECOND**: That said amendments were duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, said Red Gopher Cooperative PBC, has caused this certificate to be signed by the President this 21st day of January, 2020.

By: /s/Troy Helming Troy Helming, President

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## Certificate of Amendment Of Red Gopher Cooperative PBC

**Red Gopher Cooperative PBC** a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

**FIRST**: That at a meeting of the Board of Directors of **Red Gopher Cooperative PBC** the following resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors setting forth a proposed amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation of said corporation, declaring said amendment to be advisable. The resolution setting forth the proposed amendment is as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation be amended by changing the Article thereof numbered "FIRST" so that, as amended, said Article shall be and read as follows:

The name of the corporation is: **EarthGrid PBC** 

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, said **Red Gopher Cooperative PBC** has caused this Certificate to be signed by its President on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

By: <u>/s/Troy Helming</u> Troy Helming, President

### State of South Dakota

Office of the Secretary of State

### Certificate of Authority

### Foreign Business Corporation

I, Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Application for Certificate of Authority to transact business in this state for

### EarthGrid PBC CORPORATION

### **BUSINESS ID# FB261673**

with an effective date of: October 31, 2023, duly signed and verified, pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Corporation Acts, has been received in this office and is found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the Application for Certificate of Authority.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this day, October 31, 2023.

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Monae L. Johnson Secretary of State

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