## RESOLUTION OF THE MCCULLOCH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA AS A REINVESTMENT ZONE FOR TEXAS TAX CODE CHAPTER 312 TAX ABATEMENT IN PORTIONS OF MCCULLOCH COUNTY, TEXAS, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "RATTLESNAKE" REINVESTMENT ZONE; ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, McCulloch County, Texas, desires to promote the development or redevelopment of a certain contiguous geographic area within its jurisdiction by the creation of a reinvestment zone as authorized by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (V.T.C.A. Texas Tax Code § 312.401), for the purpose of authorizing a Tax Abatement Agreement, as authorized by Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code; and,

WHEREAS, McCulloch County, Texas, (the "County") desires to encourage the retention or expansion of primary employment and to attract major investment in the County that would be a benefit to property in a reinvestment zone created by the County and that would contribute to the economic development of the County;

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2015, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court held a hearing, such date being at least seven (7) days after the date of publication of the notice of such public hearing, and the delivery of written notice to the respective presiding officers of each taxing entity which includes within its boundaries real property that is to be included in the proposed reinvestment zone as described on EXHIBIT A and mapped on EXHIBIT B; and,

WHEREAS, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court at such public hearing invited any interested person to appear and speak for or against (1) the creation of the reinvestment zone, and whether all or part of the territory described should be included in the proposed reinvestment zone, and (2) acceptance of an Application for Tax Abatement by Rattlesnake Power, LLC, for McCulloch County to consider entering into a Tax Abatement Agreement;

WHEREAS, the proponents of the reinvestment zone offered evidence, both oral and documentary, in favor of all of the foregoing matters relating to the creation of the reinvestment zone and opponents, if any, of the reinvestment zone appeared to contest the creation of the reinvestment zone;

WHEREAS, the County wishes to (1) create a reinvestment zone consisting of the same real property as described on EXHIBIT A and mapped on EXHIBIT B, and (2) accept the Application for Tax Abatement by Rattlesnake Power, LLC.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MCCULLOCH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT:

SECTION 1. That the facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found and declared to be true and correct.

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SECTION 2. That the McCulloch County Commissioners Court, after conducting such hearing and having heard such evidence and testimony, has made the following findings and determinations based on the evidence and testimony presented to it:

- (a) That the public hearing on the adoption of the "Rattlesnake" Reinvestment Zone has been properly called, held, and conducted, and that notices of such hearing have been published as required by law and mailed to the respective presiding officers of the governing bodies of all taxing units overlapping the territory inside the proposed reinvestment zone; and,
- (b) That the boundaries of the <u>"Rattlesnake"</u> Reinvestment Zone be and, by the adoption of this Resolution, are declared and certified to be, the area as described in the description attached hereto as "EXHIBIT A"; and,
- (c) That the map attached hereto as "EXHIBIT B" is declared to be and (by the adoption of this Resolution) is certified to depict and to show accurately the boundaries of the "Rattlesnake" Reinvestment Zone, which is normatively described in "EXHIBIT A", and further certifies that the property described in "EXHIBIT A" is inside the boundaries shown on "EXHIBIT B"; and,
- (d) That creation of the <u>"Rattlesnake"</u> Reinvestment Zone with boundaries as described in "EXHIBIT A" and "EXHIBIT B" will result in benefits to McCulloch County and to land included in the zone, and that the improvements sought are feasible and practical; and,
- (e) That the "Rattlesnake" Reinvestment Zone described in "EXHIBIT A" and "EXHIBIT B" meets the criteria set forth in Texas Tax Code §312.401 for the creation of a reinvestment zone as set forth in the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, in that it is reasonably likely that the designation will contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment, and/or will attract major investment in the zone that will be a benefit to the property to be included in the reinvestment zone and would contribute to the economic development of McCulloch County, Texas.

• SECTION 3. That pursuant to the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, the McCulloch County Commissioners Court, hereby creates a reinvestment zone under the provisions of Texas Tax Code § 312.401, encompassing the area described by the descriptions in "EXHIBIT A" and "EXHIBIT B", and such reinvestment zone is hereby designated and shall hereafter be referred to as the Rattlesnake Reinvestment Zone.

SECTION 4. That the *Rattlesnake Reinvestment Zone* shall take effect upon adoption by the County Commissioners Court and shall remain designated as a commercial-industrial reinvestment zone for a period of five (5) years from such date of such designation.

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SECTION 5. That the McCulloch County Commissioners Court already has found and resolved that McCulloch County is eligible to enter into tax abatement agreements.

SECTION 6. That the McCulloch County Commissioners Court accepts the Application for Tax Abatement submitted by Rattlesnake Power, LLC.

SECTION 7. That if any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this resolution shall for any reason beheld to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

SECTION 8. That it is hereby found, determined, and declared that a sufficient notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting of the McCulloch County Commissioners Court, at which this resolution was adopted, was posted at a place convenient and readily accessible at all times, as required by the Texas Open Government Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended; and that a public hearing was held prior to the designation of such reinvestment zone, and that proper notice of the hearing was published in newspapers of general circulation in McCulloch County of the State of Texas; and that, furthermore, such notice was in fact delivered to the presiding officer of any effected taxing entity as prescribed by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on this 17th day of August 2015.

MCCULLOCH COUNTY, TEXAS

By:

The Honorable Danny Neal

County Judge

By:

Sim Quinn

Commissioner, Precinct 1

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Jim Ross

Commissioner, Precinct 3

By:

Géne Edmiston

Commissioner, Precinct 2

By:

Brent Deeds

Commissioner, Precinct 4

## EXHIBIT A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF "RATTLESNAKE" REINVESTMENT ZONE

Insert Legal Description of Full Reinvestment Zone