## TERRAFORM POWER, INC.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER**

# April 30, 2019

A committee of the board of directors (the "Board") of TerraForm Power, Inc. (the "Corporation") to be known as the Audit Committee (the "Committee") shall have the following terms of reference:

#### MEMBERSHIP AND CHAIR

Following each annual meeting of shareholders, the Board shall appoint from its number three directors (the "Members" and each a "Member") to serve on the Committee until the close of the next annual meeting of shareholders of the Corporation or until the Member ceases to be a director, resigns or is replaced, whichever occurs first.

The Members will be selected by the Board on the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board. Any Member may be removed from office or replaced at any time by the Board. All of the Members will be Independent Directors. In addition, every Member will be Financially Literate and at least one Member will be an Audit Committee Financial Expert. Members may not serve on more than three other public company audit committees, except with the prior approval of the Board.

The Board shall appoint one Member as the chair of the Committee (the "Chair"). If the Chair is absent from a meeting, the Members shall select an Acting Chair from among those Members in attendance at the meeting.

### **SUBCOMMITTEES**

The Committee may form subcommittees for any purpose and may delegate to a subcommittee such of the Committee's powers and authorities as the Committee deems appropriate.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee shall:

## **Auditor**

- (a) oversee the work of the Corporation's external auditor (the "auditor") engaged for the purpose
  of preparing or issuing an auditor's report or performing other audit, review or attest services
  for the Corporation;
- (b) require the auditor to report directly to the Committee;
- (c) review and evaluate the auditor's independence, experience, qualifications and performance (including the performance of the lead audit partner) and determine whether

the auditor should be appointed or re-appointed, and nominate the auditor for appointment or re-appointment by the shareholders;

- (d) where appropriate, terminate the auditor;
- (e) when a change of auditor is proposed, review all issues related to the change, including the information to be included in the notice of change of auditor as required, and the orderly transition of such change;
- (f) review the terms of the auditor's engagement and the appropriateness and reasonableness of the proposed audit fees;
- (g) at least annually, obtain and review a report by the auditor describing:
  - (i) the auditor's internal quality-control procedures; and
  - (ii) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality control review, or peer review, of the auditor, or review by any independent oversight body such as the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB"), or governmental or professional authorities within the preceding five years respecting one or more independent audits carried out by the auditor, and the steps taken to deal with any issues raised in any such review;
- (h) at least annually, confirm that the auditor has submitted a formal written statement describing all of its relationships with the Corporation; discuss with the auditor any disclosed relationships or services that may affect its objectivity and independence; obtain written confirmation from the auditor that it is objective within the meaning of the Rules of Professional Conduct/Code of Ethics adopted by the order of chartered accountants to which it belongs and is an independent public accountant within the meaning of the federal securities legislation administered by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), and is in compliance with any independence requirements adopted by the PCAOB; and, confirm that the auditor has complied with applicable laws respecting the rotation of certain members of the audit engagement team;
- (i) ensure the regular rotation of the audit engagement team members as required by law, and periodically consider whether there should be regular rotation of the auditor;
- (j) meet privately with the auditor as frequently as the Committee feels is appropriate to fulfill its responsibilities, which will not be less frequently than annually, to discuss any items of concern to the Committee or the auditor, including:
  - (i) planning and staffing of the audit;
  - (ii) any material written communications between the auditor and management;
  - (iii) whether or not the auditor is satisfied with the quality and effectiveness of financial recording procedures and systems;

- (iv) the extent to which the auditor is satisfied with the nature and scope of its examination;
- (v) whether or not the auditor has received the full co-operation of management of the Corporation;
- (vi) the auditor's opinion of the competence and performance of the Chief Financial Officer and other key financial personnel of the Corporation;
- (vii) the items required to be communicated to the Committee in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards;
- (viii) all critical accounting policies and practices to be used by the Corporation;
- (ix) all alternative treatments of financial information within U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") that have been discussed with management, ramifications of the use of such alternative disclosures and treatments, and the treatment preferred by the auditor;
- any difficulties encountered in the course of the audit work, any restrictions imposed on the scope of activities or access to requested information, any significant disagreements with management and management's response; and
- (xi) any illegal act that may have occurred and the discovery of which is required to be disclosed to the Committee pursuant to the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended;
- (k) annually review and approve the Audit and Non-Audit Services Pre-Approval Policy (the "Pre-Approval Policy"), which sets forth the parameters by which the auditor can provide certain audit and non-audit services to the Corporation not prohibited by law and the process by which the Committee pre-approves such services. At each quarterly meeting of the Committee, the Committee will ratify all audit and non-audit services provided by the auditor to the Corporation for the then-ended quarter;
- (I) resolve any disagreements between management and the auditor regarding financial reporting;
- (m) set clear policies for hiring partners and employees and former partners and employees of the external auditor;

## **Financial Reporting**

- (a) prior to disclosure to the public, review, and, where appropriate, recommend for approval by the Board, the following:
  - (i) audited annual financial statements, in conjunction with the report of the external auditor;

- (ii) interim financial statements;
- (iii) annual and interim management discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operation;
- (iv) reconciliations of the annual or interim financial statements, if applicable; and
- (v) all other audited or unaudited financial information contained in public disclosure documents, including without limitation, any prospectus, or other offering or public disclosure documents and financial statements required by regulatory authorities;
- (b) review and discuss with management prior to dissemination earnings press releases and other press releases containing financial information (to ensure consistency of the disclosure to the financial statements), as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts including the use of "pro forma" or "adjusted" non-GAAP information in such press releases and financial information. Such review may consist of a general discussion of the types of information to be disclosed or the types of presentations to be made;
- (c) review the effect of regulatory and accounting initiatives, as well as any asset or debt financing activities of the Corporation's unconsolidated subsidiaries that are not required under GAAP to be incorporated into the Corporation's financial statements (commonly known as "off-balance sheet financing");
- (d) review disclosures made to the Committee by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation during their certification process for applicable securities law filings about any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Corporation's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information, and any fraud involving management or other employees;
- (e) review the effectiveness of management's policies and practices concerning financial reporting, any proposed changes in major accounting policies, the appointment and replacement of management responsible for financial reporting and the internal audit function;
- (f) review the adequacy of the internal controls that have been adopted by the Corporation to safeguard assets from loss and unauthorized use and to verify the accuracy of the financial records and any special audit steps adopted in light of material control deficiencies;

## Internal Audit; Controls and Procedures; and Other

(a) meet privately with the person responsible for the Corporation's internal audit function (the "internal auditor") as frequently as the Committee feels appropriate to fulfill its responsibilities, which will not be less frequently than annually, to discuss any items of concern;

- (b) require the internal auditor to report directly to the Committee;
- (c) review the mandate, budget, planned activities, staffing and organizational structure of the internal audit function (which may be outsourced to a firm other than the auditor) to confirm that it is independent of management and has sufficient resources to carry out its mandate. The Committee will discuss this mandate with the auditor, review the appointment and replacement of the internal auditor and review the significant reports to management prepared by the internal auditor and management's responses. As part of this process, the Committee reviews and approves the governing charter of the internal audit function on an annual basis;
- (d) review the controls and procedures that have been adopted to confirm that material financial information about the Corporation and its subsidiaries that is required to be disclosed under applicable law or stock exchange rules is disclosed, review the public disclosure of financial information extracted or derived from the Corporation's financial statements and periodically assess the adequacy of such controls and procedures;
- (e) review risks of fraud related to financial reporting that come to the attention of the Committee, either through internal audit or otherwise;
- (f) periodically review the status of taxation matters of the Corporation; and
- (g) consider other matters of a financial nature as directed by the Board.

#### **LIMITATION OF AUDIT COMMITTEE ROLE**

The Committee's function is one of oversight. The Corporation's management is responsible for preparing the Corporation's financial statements and, along with the internal audit function, for developing and maintaining systems of internal accounting and financial controls. The auditor will assist the Committee and the Board in fulfilling their responsibilities for review of the financial statements and internal controls, and the auditor will be responsible for the independent audit of the financial statements. The Committee expects the auditor to call to its attention any accounting, auditing, internal accounting control, regulatory or other related matters that the auditor believes warrant consideration or action. The Committee recognizes that the Corporation's finance team, the internal audit team and the auditor have more knowledge and information about the Corporation's financial affairs than do the Committee's members. Accordingly, in carrying out its oversight responsibilities, the Committee does not provide any expert or special assurance as to the Corporation's financial statements or internal controls or any professional certification as to the auditor's work.

Nothing contained in this Charter is intended to create, or should be construed as creating, any responsibility or liability of the members of the Committee, except to the extent otherwise provided under the applicable laws of Delaware which shall set the legal standard for the conduct of the members of the Committee.

#### REPORTING

The Committee will report to the Board on an as needed basis, on:

- (a) the auditor's independence;
- (b) the performance of the auditor and the Committee's recommendations regarding its reappointment or termination;
- (c) the performance of the internal audit function;
- (d) the adequacy of the Corporation's internal controls and disclosure controls;
- (e) its recommendations regarding the annual and interim financial statements of the Corporation and any reconciliation of the Corporation's financial statements, including any issues with respect to the quality or integrity of the financial statements;
- its review of any other public disclosure document including the annual report and the annual and interim management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations;
- (g) the Corporation's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, particularly those related to financial reporting; and
- (h) all other significant matters it has addressed and with respect to such other matters that are within its responsibilities.

#### **COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

The Committee will review the establishment of and periodically review a procedure for the receipt, retention, treatment and follow-up of complaints received by the Corporation through the reporting hotline or otherwise regarding accounting, internal controls, disclosure controls or auditing matters and the procedure for the confidential, anonymous submission of concerns by employees of the Corporation regarding such matters.

### **REVIEW AND DISCLOSURE**

The Committee will review this Charter at least annually and submit it to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee together with any proposed amendments. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will review this Charter and submit it to the Board for approval with such further amendments as it deems necessary and appropriate.

This Charter will be posted on the Corporation's website at <a href="www.terraformpower.com">www.terraformpower.com</a>. Additionally, the Committee shall prepare the report required to be included in the Corporation's annual proxy statement pursuant to rules promulgated by the SEC.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

At least annually, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will review the effectiveness of this Committee in fulfilling its responsibilities and duties as set out in this Charter. The Committee will also conduct its own assessment of the Committee's performance on an annual basis.

#### ACCESS TO OUTSIDE ADVISORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The Committee may retain any outside advisor, including legal counsel, at the expense of the Corporation, without the Board's approval, at any time. The Committee has the authority to determine any such advisor's fees and any other retention terms.

The Corporation will provide for appropriate funding, for payment of compensation to any auditor engaged to prepare or issue an audit report or perform other audit, review or attest services, and ordinary administrative expenses of the Committee.

Members will meet privately with senior management as frequently as they feel is appropriate to fulfill the Committee's responsibilities, but not less than annually.

#### **MEETINGS**

Meetings of the Committee may be called by any Member, the Chair of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation, the internal auditor or the auditor. Meetings will be held each quarter and at such additional times as is necessary for the Committee to fulfill its responsibilities. The Committee shall appoint a secretary to be the secretary of each meeting of the Committee and to maintain minutes of the meeting and deliberations of the Committee.

The powers of the Committee shall be exercisable at a meeting at which a quorum is present. A quorum shall be not less than a majority of the Members at the relevant time. Matters decided by the Committee shall be decided by majority vote.

Notice of each meeting shall be given to each Member, the internal auditor, the auditor, and to the Chair of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation. Notice of meeting may be given orally or by letter, electronic mail, telephone or other generally accepted means not less than 24 hours before the time fixed for the meeting. Members may waive notice of any meeting and attendance at a meeting is deemed waiver of notice. The notice need not state the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is being held.

The Committee may invite from time to time such persons as it may see fit to attend its meetings and to take part in discussion and consideration of the affairs of the Committee. The Committee may require the auditors and/or members of the Corporation's management to attend any or all meetings.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms used in this Charter and not otherwise defined have the meaning attributed to them below:

"Audit Committee Financial Expert" means a person who has the following attributes:

- (a) an understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements;
- (b) the ability to assess the general application of such principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves;
- (c) experience preparing, auditing, analyzing or evaluating financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Corporation's financial statements, or experience actively supervising one or more persons engaged in such activities;
- (d) an understanding of internal controls and procedures for financial reporting; and
- (e) an understanding of audit committee functions;

acquired through any one or more of the following:

- education and experience as a principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, controller, public accountant or auditor or experience in one or more positions that involve the performance of similar functions;
- (ii) experience actively supervising a principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, controller, public accountant, auditor or person performing similar functions;
- (iii) experience overseeing or assessing the performance of companies or public accountants with respect to the preparation, auditing or evaluation of financial statements; or
- (iv) other relevant experience.

"Financially Literate" means the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Corporation's financial statements.

"Independent Director" means a director who has been affirmatively determined by the Board to have no relationship with the Corporation that would impair his or her independence, as determined for purposes of the Nasdaq Stock Market Rules listing standards. In addition to any other requirement of applicable securities laws or stock exchange provisions, a director who:

- is or was an employee or executive officer, or whose family member is or was an executive officer, of the Corporation is not independent until three years after the end of such employment relationship;
- (b) is receiving or has received, or whose family member is receiving or has received, during any 12-month period within the last three years more than \$120,000 in compensation from the Corporation, other than director and committee fees and pension or other forms of deferred

- compensation for prior service (provided such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service), is not independent;
- (c) is or was a partner of, affiliated with or employed by, or whose family member is or was a partner of or employed in a professional capacity by, a present or former internal or external auditor of the Corporation is not independent until three years after the end of the affiliation, partnership or employment relationship with the auditor;
- (d) is or was employed as, or whose family member is or was employed as, an executive officer of another company (or its parent or a subsidiary) where any of the present (at the time of review) executive officers of the Corporation serve or served on that company's (or its parent's or a subsidiary's) compensation committee, is not independent until three years after the end of such service or the employment relationship; and
- (e) is an executive officer or an employee of, or whose family member is an executive officer of, another company (or its parent or a subsidiary) that has made payments to, or received payments from, the Corporation for property or services in an amount which, in any of the last three fiscal years exceeds the greater of \$200,000 or 5% of such other company's consolidated gross revenues, in each case, is not independent until three years after falling below such threshold.

Additionally, an Independent Director for the purpose of the Committee specifically may not:

- accept directly or indirectly any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee from the Corporation, other than director and committee fees and pension or other forms of deferred compensation for prior service (provided such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service); or
- (ii) be an affiliated person of the Corporation (within the meaning of applicable rules and regulations).

For the purposes of the definition of Independent Director, the term Corporation includes any parent, subsidiary or other affiliated entity of the Corporation.

In addition to the requirements for independence set out in paragraph (c) above, Members must disclose any other form of association they have with a current or former external or internal auditor of the Corporation to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee for a determination as to whether this association affects the Member's status as an Independent Director.

This Charter of the Audit Committee was reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation on April 30, 2019.