

A Community Covenant for Responsible AI Infrastructure

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OUR PLEDGE

We will earn the right to build by protecting people, respecting local agency, and proving that our infrastructure strengthens—not burdens—the community around it.

EGIL—Energy Governed Intelligence Layer—builds dedicated-power AI infrastructure designed to serve people, businesses, and communities responsibly.

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01 · OUR PLEDGE TO COMMUNITIES

The questions communities are right to ask

Communities are right to ask about utility bills, local control, water, air, safety, traffic, jobs, and transparency. Those are the questions any responsible project should be able to answer in plain English, early, and in public.

Protect

Ratepayers, neighbors, water, air, safety, and local decision-making.

Participate

Invite meaningful local input, workforce participation, and community benefit.

Prove

Publish the operating evidence that turns commitments into accountability.

Across the United States, communities are right to expect AI infrastructure that protects affordability, engages residents transparently, creates workforce value, and safeguards the environment. We wrote those expectations into how we operate.

What communities deserve

Clear facts

What is proposed, at what scale, and what remains undecided.

Local voice

A real role in shaping mitigation before design is frozen.

Ratepayer protection

Project-caused costs assigned to the project, not to households.

Safety and stewardship

Water, air, noise, light, and emergency response designed in.

Real local opportunity

Apprenticeships, local suppliers, and career pathways that stay here.

Accountability after construction

Public reporting on how the project actually performs.

We will not use pressure, secrecy, or procedural tactics to evade meaningful local participation, and we will not treat public process as an obstacle to bypass. It is how a project earns durable permission to operate.

The clear difference

The pattern communities often fear

SCALE

Large future buildout is presented before local performance is proven.

POWER RESPONSIBILITY

Power need, upgrades, and cost responsibility can feel unclear.

TRANSPARENCY

Facts may arrive late, through hearings, or behind confidentiality restrictions.

The EGIL partnership model

Begin with a right-sized block. 3 MW / 2.5 MW IT reference block; 12 MW / 10 MW IT operating deployment. Expand only against real demand, approvals, operating evidence, and community confidence.

Dedicated-power, accountable-energy posture. Plan behind-the-meter power and define every gas/electric interface and project-caused cost.

Bring the facts early. Disclose the developer, purpose, MW, footprint, power/fuel approach, cooling/water approach, anticipated impacts, and community commitments; name a local contact and explain what remains undecided.

Why it matters in everyday terms

People can see and evaluate a real first phase before a larger commitment is made.

Local families and small businesses should not subsidize the project's energy needs.

Neighbors get answers before—not after—the most consequential choices are locked.

A comparison of development patterns, not a claim that every large data-center operator acts the same way.

Agency, local value, accountability

The pattern communities often fear

COMMUNITY AGENCY

Traffic, sound, lighting, construction, and safety are treated as downstream issues.

LOCAL VALUE

Big investment headlines do not always translate into clear local opportunity.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Engagement can end once approvals are in hand.

The EGIL partnership model

Design with the community. Use early listening to shape mitigation, construction practices, emergency coordination, and a written community compact.

Make benefits concrete and right-sized. Local labor, apprenticeships, technical-school pathways, local procurement, first-responder readiness, and a community-selected benefit.

Stay accountable after commissioning. Publish annual updates on commitments, jobs, local spend, water/air/noise performance, safety, and corrective actions.

Why it matters in everyday terms

Local knowledge becomes a design input, not a public-relations exercise.

The project creates capabilities residents and local institutions can actually use.

Trust is earned by what happens after the ribbon-cutting, not only by what is promised before it.

THE EGIL DIFFERENCE

We are not asking a community to accept a distant, top-down vision. We are offering a transparent, phased partnership with a defined footprint, a dedicated-power responsibility, and commitments that can be checked in public.

What is being asked—and what EGIL will do

Public concern	EGIL commitment	Evidence to expect
Will this raise our bills?	Use a dedicated-power, behind-the-meter approach and bear project-caused energy, gas, electrical, and site-infrastructure costs.	Plain-English energy plan; defined utility boundary; project-cost responsibility statement.
Is this another speculative proposal?	Build in phases only after site, energy, capital, demand, and approval gates are met.	Phased schedule; site-control status; contracted-demand status when disclosure is permitted; milestone-based capital releases.
Who is behind it and what is being built?	Communicate material project facts clearly and early; protect legitimate security and commercial information only as law allows.	Project fact sheet: use, footprint, MW, power source, cooling/water approach, schedule, construction impacts, local contact.
What happens to air, water, noise, light, safety?	Design for measured, permit-compliant performance; publish site-specific controls and operating data.	Permit-grade air/water/noise/light, stormwater, fuel-safety, traffic, and emergency-response plans; post-commissioning report.
Will local people benefit?	Create pathways for local labor, apprenticeships, suppliers, training, and community-selected benefits.	Workforce and local-procurement plan; community-benefit compact; annual jobs, payroll, and commitment report.

What "AI freedom" means. People, businesses, and communities can benefit from AI while retaining agency, safety, truth, local control, and meaningful human work.

Commitments before construction begins

BEFORE EGIL AUTHORIZES CONSTRUCTION

Publish core project facts · meet local leaders, neighbors, and first responders · identify principal mitigation · establish an accountable EGIL contact · offer a site-specific Community Compact for discussion.

01 Open project information

A local fact sheet and a named EGIL contact: planned use, scale, power and cooling approach, schedule, construction activity, and a process for questions and complaints.

02 Ratepayer protection

Document the dedicated-power approach and demonstrate how project-caused costs are assigned to the project—not to local households or small businesses.

03 Community-led mitigation

Before final design, seek local input on truck routes, construction hours, noise, light, visual treatment, and emergency coordination—then write it down.

04 Safety and response readiness

Work with fire, police, emergency management, and utilities on access, fuel and electrical safety, shutdown procedures, drills, and a 24/7 escalation path.

05 Water and environmental stewardship

Water-light cooling where applicable; disclose source and expected use; meet air, stormwater, and environmental requirements—and measure, not merely promise.

06 Local capability and opportunity

Prioritize local labor, registered apprenticeships, local suppliers, and career pathways in power, controls, cooling, operations, cybersecurity, and AI-enabled work.

Right-sized, not one-size-fits-all

	PROVE	LEARN	STANDARDIZE	EXPAND
	Build a defined reference block and operate it in public view.	Measure performance and hear what the community actually experiences.	Turn what worked into written commitments and repeatable practice.	Scale only with consent, evidence, approvals, and demand.
		3 MW / 2.5 MW IT reference block	12 MW / 10 MW IT operating deployment	
Engagement		Municipal briefings, neighbor information session, fact sheet, local contact, first-responder coordination.	All of that plus recurring community briefings, a documented issue-response process, and a community-advisory cadence.	
Studies / controls		Site-specific permitting, safety, air/water/noise/light and construction-impact information appropriate to final design.	Plus formal traffic, noise/light, emergency-management, and construction-management plans as required by jurisdiction and design.	
Community benefit		A targeted, locally selected benefit: first-responder readiness, workforce scholarships, technical education, or another agreed priority.	Written community-benefit agreement covering workforce, local procurement, mitigation, reporting, and locally selected priorities.	
Accountability		Commissioning report and annual community update.	Annual public operating report: jobs, local spend, commitments, water/air/noise performance, incidents, corrective actions.	

Engineering that keeps the promise



Operating principle

How EGIL applies it

Community-facing proof

Dedicated, accountable energy

Plan power, fuel, distribution, cooling, compute, and control as one integrated operating system; define interfaces rather than hide them.

Energy and infrastructure responsibility statement; published project boundary; utility and first-responder coordination.

Resilience without externalized risk

Phased capacity and defined failure and maintenance procedures. No reliability claims unsupported by OEM, EPC, protection, and commissioning evidence.

Commissioning and acceptance criteria; emergency contact; incident notification and corrective-action process.

Water, air, and quality of life

Make cooling, emissions, sound, light, construction traffic, and stormwater first-class design inputs—not afterthoughts.

Permit disclosures, mitigation measures, operating monitoring, and an annual performance update.

Human authority and auditability

Governance retains human accountability over consequential decisions and creates evidence from power through infrastructure operations.

Clear human escalation paths, operating accountability, and honest reporting—not opaque automation claims.

What we will measure and report

Commitments become accountability only when someone can check them. These are the categories EGIL expects to report publicly after commissioning, in language a resident can read without a technical background.

Community

Local jobs · apprenticeship participation · local procurement · community-benefit commitments delivered · concerns received and resolved

Environment

Water use and source · relevant air-permit compliance · noise and light mitigation · stormwater status · incident status

Operations

Commissioning status · safety training and drills · reliability events · corrective actions · accountable operating contact

Metrics are finalized in the site-specific compact, permit conditions, customer commitments, and applicable reporting requirements. EGIL will disclose meaningful results without compromising safety, cybersecurity, personal privacy, or legitimately protected commercial information.

The first 90 days

1	Listen and map Meet municipal leaders, neighbors, emergency services, workforce partners, local businesses, and environmental stakeholders before final design.	OUTCOME A shared issue map with clear owners, design responses, and items requiring further study.
2	Publish facts Release the project fact sheet and establish a single public contact and response channel.	OUTCOME Residents know what is proposed, what remains undecided, and where to get answers.
3	Define the Community Compact Draft a site-specific compact covering mitigation, safety, workforce, local benefit, and reporting.	OUTCOME Concrete commitments that can be measured, not generic assurances.
4	Build the evidence room Complete the development, community, and permit-readiness work: site, energy, environmental, safety, engineering, and schedule evidence.	OUTCOME One factual project record; fewer surprises; faster resolution of legitimate questions.

The first 90 days are for development, community, and permit readiness—**not a promise that all permits will be issued in 90 days.**

EGIL stands with the community

EGIL is not asking any community for permission to impose AI. We are inviting communities to participate in building infrastructure that lets them benefit from AI on their own terms.

Local leaders

What would make this project genuinely compatible with your community's plans?

State officials

How should a right-sized deployment demonstrate your state's standards?

Workforce partners

Which pathways and apprenticeships should we build toward first?

First responders

What access, training, and escalation arrangements do you need from day one?

Local businesses

Where can local procurement and supplier relationships start?

Neighbors

What concerns should shape mitigation before design is fixed?

APPENDIX

Using this Covenant in any community

This Covenant is a voluntary, national model for transparent, right-sized AI infrastructure. It is designed to be adapted to local conditions, community priorities, and applicable federal, state, tribal, and local requirements.

EGIL will not represent a site as endorsed, certified, incentive-eligible, or approved unless the relevant authority confirms it. Project-specific commitments remain subject to final site facts, community discussion, permits, utility arrangements, and legal review.

IMPLEMENTATION BASIS

Community input · project facts · applicable law and permits · utility and first-responder coordination · public reporting. Nothing in this document states or implies endorsement by a government, utility, city, county, tribal nation, or community.