



June 24, 2024

Jackie Su
Compliance Director
Harbor Blocktech
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Plano, Texas 75024

Re: Inquiry on Hopkins County Permitting Requirements

Dear Jackie:

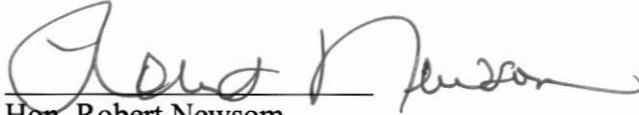
As the County Judge of Hopkins County, Texas, I am knowledgeable with respect to the permits required by Hopkins County, Texas (“**County**”) and I am authorized by the County to issue this letter. The County acknowledges that Harbor Blocktech (“**Company**”) contemplates making certain improvements to the real property located within the portion of the County described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference (the “**Project Area**”), such improvements consisting of a bit coin mining facility, including containers, cooling equipment, racks, servers, an operations building, and related ancillary facilities (collectively, “**Improvements**”).

I am writing in my official capacity and on behalf of Hopkins County to confirm there are no County rules or ordinances that would require the Project or the Company to obtain zoning approval, a permit, or an authorization for the ownership, construction, operation or maintenance of the Project and its Improvements within the Project Area, with the exception of wastewater treatment systems. The Company is aware that an executed Road Use Agreement and/or Abatement Agreement is required prior to Company’s use of Hopkins County Roads. In addition, driveways connecting to County Roads, crossings of County Roads, and/or placement within County Road rights-of-way for utility lines or other Improvements, traffic disruptions, and dust control will require consultation and approval by the appropriate representative within Hopkins County Government. Finally, consultation with the County’s Emergency Management Coordinator will be required on all matters related to fire protection suppression capabilities and / or requirements.

While there are no County rules or ordinances regarding safety buffer zones, set back requirements, noise restrictions, flicker, glare, reflection, or visibility restrictions, or other zoning rules or regulations affecting the proposed ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of the Project and Improvements, Hopkins County will require close communication with Company throughout project implementation and operation in order to preserve infrastructure and assure the safety of residents. Moreover, while Hopkins

County has no rules or ordinances governing decommissioning, the County will expect Company to comply with all statutes for all decommissioning related matters. This letter also confirms that the planning documentation provided by Company and attached as Exhibit A indicates that the Project Area is located wholly outside of the municipal boundaries and extraterritorial jurisdiction located within Hopkins County, Texas

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Newsom", written over a horizontal line.

Hon. Robert Newsom
County Judge
Hopkins County, Texas

EXHIBIT A
PROJECT AREA

