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- Section 170 of the DGCL allows our board of directors to declare and pay dividends on the shares of our Class A common stock either:
 - out of its surplus, as defined in and computed in accordance with the DGCL; or
 - in case there shall be no such surplus, out of its net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year.
- We may lack sufficient cash to pay dividends to holders of our Class A common stock due to cash flows shortfalls attributable to a number of operational, commercial or other factors, including low availability, as well as increases in our operating and/or general and administrative expenses, principal and interest payments on our outstanding debt, income tax expenses, working capital requirements or anticipated cash needs at our project-level subsidiaries.
- Global LLC's cash distributions to us and, as a result, our ability to pay or grow our dividends is dependent upon the performance of our subsidiaries and their ability to distribute cash to us. The ability of our project-level subsidiaries to make cash distributions to Global LLC may be restricted by, among other things, the provisions of existing and future indebtedness, applicable national, provincial, state and local corporation laws and other laws and regulations.

Our ability to grow our business and dividend

We intend to grow our business primarily through the acquisition of contracted clean power generation assets, which, we believe, will facilitate the growth of our cash available for distribution and enable us to increase our dividend per share over time. However, the determination of the amount of cash dividends to be paid to holders of our Class A common stock will be made by our board of directors and will depend upon our financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, long-term prospects and any other matters that our board of directors deems relevant.

We expect that we will rely primarily upon external financing sources, including commercial bank borrowings and issuances of debt and equity securities, to fund any future growth capital expenditures. To the extent we are unable to finance growth externally, our cash dividend policy could significantly impair our ability to grow because we do not currently intend to reserve a substantial amount of cash generated from operations to fund growth opportunities. If external financing is not available to us on acceptable terms, our board of directors may decide to finance acquisitions with cash from operations, which would reduce or even eliminate our cash available for distribution and, in turn, impair our ability to pay dividends to holders of our Class A common stock. To the extent we issue additional shares of capital stock to fund growth capital expenditures, the payment of dividends on those additional shares may increase the risk that we will be unable to maintain or increase our per share dividend level. There are no limitations in our bylaws or certificate of incorporation (other than a specified number of authorized shares), and there will not be any limitations under our Revolver or in the indenture governing the Senior Notes, on our ability to issue additional shares of capital stock, including preferred stock that would have priority over our Class A common stock with respect to the payment of dividends. Additionally, the incurrence of additional commercial bank borrowings or other debt to finance our growth would result in increased interest expense, which may impact our cash available for distribution and, in turn, our ability to pay dividends to holders of our Class A common stock.

Minimum quarterly distribution

Upon completion of this offering, the amended and restated operating agreement of Global LLC will provide that, during the Subordination Period, the holders of Class A units (and Class B1 units, if any), will have the right to receive the "Minimum Quarterly Distribution" of \$0.2750 per unit for each whole quarter, or \$1.1000 per