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To: Martin Daley Kathy Sheehan Susan Pedo Anthony Owens Tracy Metzger Mike Yevoli Erik Smith John Reilly Joe Scott Sarah Reginelli Brad Chevalier Date: April 16, 2013

Michael Yevoli, Chief Executive Officer

Erik J. Smith, Chief Financial Officer

John Reilly, Agency Counsel

AGENDA

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency will be held on Thursday, April 18th at 12:15PM at 21 Lodge Street, Albany, NY 12207 (Conference Room) Roll Call Reading of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of February 13th, 2013 Approval of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of February 13th, 2013 **Unfinished Business New Business** Fuller Road Management Corporation **Other Business** 733 Broadway, LLC Adjournment *The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held Thursday, April 25th, at 21 Lodge Street, Albany, NY 12207 21 Lodge Street Albany, New York 12207 Telephone: (518) 434-2532 Fax: (518) 434-9846

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IDA MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, February 13th

Attending:	Martin Daley, Kathy Sheehan, Susan Pedo, Tracy Metzger & C. Anthony Owens
Absent:	
Also Present:	Tony Ferrara, John Vero, Mike Yevoli, Erik Smith, Joe Scott, Sarah Reginelli, Brad Chevalier, Amanda Vitullo & Amy Gardner

Chairman Martin Daley called the Finance Committee meeting of the IDA to order at 12:15PM.

Roll Call

Chairman Martin Daley reported that all Committee members were present.

Reading of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2012

Since the minutes of the December 13, 2012 meeting had been distributed to the Committee members in advance for review, Chairman Martin Daley made a proposal to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Approval of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2012

Chairman Martin Daley made a proposal to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of December 13, 2012. A motion to accept the minutes, as presented, was made by Susan Pedo and seconded by Kathy Sheehan. A vote being taken, the minutes were accepted unanimously.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Other Business

Proposed Sales & Use Tax Exemption Legislation Update

Counsel advised the Committee that Governor Cuomo had recently released the proposed 2013-2014 Budget and it included proposed legislation that would severely limit the authority of Industrial Development Agencies (IDA) to provide State sales and use tax exemptions. Staff advised the Committee that they had contacted all applicants with projects that had not yet closed to make them aware of the proposed legislation. Staff informed these applicants that if they did not close before lawmakers pass the budget on March 31st they would lose the State four percent (4%) portion of the proposed sales tax exemption on their projects. Counsel informed the Committee that IDAs will still have the ability to waive the local sales tax.

Assessments of properties were discussed. The Committee advised staff that they would like a presentation on downtown residential properties and current assessments. Staff informed the Committee that they hoped IDA Board members would be involved in the Downtown Tactical Plan process – specifically on tax issues.

Executive Session

Staff advised the Committee that there was pending litigation that needed to be discussed. A motion to enter into executive session was made by Tracy Metzger, seconded by Susan Pedo and passed unanimously. The Committee entered into executive session at 12:26pm. The Committee recommended that staff remain in the room. The following Board members were present: Tony Ferrara, John Vero, Kathy Sheehan, Susan Pedo, Martin Daley, Anthony Owens and Tracy Metzger. The Committee left executive session at 12:50pm. No actions were taken during executive session.

There being no further business, Chairman Martin Daley adjourned the meeting at 1:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Pedo, Secretary

TO: City of Albany Industrial Development Finance Committee

FROM: City of Albany Industrial Development Agency Staff

RE: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC) - IDA Revised Application Summary

DATE: April 15, 2013

Applicant: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC)

Managing Members: Research Foundation of SUNY and University at Albany Foundation

Project Location: 575 Broadway

Project Description: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC) on behalf of the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE) seek to redevelop the vacant Kiernan Plaza as the Smart Cities Technology Innovation Center (SCiTI Center) to serve as an urban catalyst for business innovation, economic vitality and educational outreach.

The Applicant envisions a redeveloped Kiernan Plaza that will 1) play host to the entire foodchain of SCiTI companies including the back-office support for nano-device companies with R&D operations at CNSE's NanoTech complex; 2) provide a central headquarters and control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds; 3) support workforce training, community engagement, and economic outreach; and 4) offer high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center.

The \$10 million project will entail the investment of public and private funds, including a previously awarded \$4 million grant from Empire State Development Corporation for the project through the Regional Council initiative, to redevelop Kiernan Plaza from a large single tenant commercial office building to a multi-tenant commercial office building. It is anticipated that the redeveloped building will accommodate up to 10-14 SCiTI companies.

The Applicant is not only requesting financial assistance from the Agency, but has also made a request that the Agency exercise its power of eminent domain to assist with the acquisition of Kiernan Plaza. The use of eminent domain by the Agency will enable FRMC to purchase the property which it cannot do under the current circumstances. This is due to the fact that the property is part of a portfolio of properties that serve as collateral for a securitized financing structure restricted by covenants that effectively preclude the sale of the property prior to maturity of the debt in 2019.

Estimated Project Cost: \$10,000,000 (estimated amount spent to date \$0)

Type of Financing: Straight Lease

Amount of Bonds Requested: None

Estimated Total Purchases Exempt from Sales Tax: \$3,375,000

Estimated Total Mortgage Amount: \$6,000,000

Current Total Assessment:

- See attached PILOT analysis for more detail:
 - \$5,500,000 (per discussion with Commissioner of Assessment & Taxation); OR
 - Currently fixed at this amount until 2013 due to tax certiorari ruling by Supreme Court
 - \$3,000,000 (per Staff's market assumptions)
 - Vacant for the past three years and will likely continue to remain vacant given the lack of demand by single tenant users for such large, inefficient space.
 - Commercial office space in the City's Central Business District continues to experience high vacancy rates.
 - Critical building infrastructure systems are close to the end of useful life.

Estimated Improved Total Assessment: TBD (Staff is still completing analysis. Will be provided at a later date)

Requested PILOT: A 15 year PILOT in which the total PILOT assessment value, including land and improvements, is fixed at \$5,500,000 (i.e. current total assessment value) for the term of the PILOT agreement. PILOT payments will fluctuate, as tax rates will remain variable.

Estimated Value of Total PILOT Payments:

- Total PILOT Payments: \$4,510,581 (Over a 15 year PILOT period)
 - Same, *if not likely more* (assumes assessment challenge), revenue than if regular taxes collected under status quo.

Estimated Value of Tax Exemptions:

- NYS Sales and Compensating Use Tax: \$270,000
- Mortgage Recording Taxes: \$75,000
- Real Property Taxes: TBD (Staff is still completing analysis. Will be provided at a later date)
- \circ Other: N/A

Employment Impact:

- Projected Permanent: (250) FTEs
 - (150) FTEs to be created and
 - (100) FTEs to be retained
- Projected Construction: (50) jobs

Strategic Initiatives:

• Albany 2030 - The project will further the plan's vision by:

- Targeting regional growth industries to move downtown, such as nanotechnology firms, by leveraging area intellectual capital.
- Increasing job opportunities as the project will support the retention, expansion and recruitment of businesses.
- Encouraging investment in urban land and buildings for employment through the redevelopment/ adaptive reuse of a vacant, underutilized property.
- Providing a foundation for economic activity through public investment and policy decisions.
- Working with an institution to develop a strategy for attracting and supporting businesses and start-ups and providing job training, education, and/or employment.
- Encouraging an institution to locate in, remain in, and revitalize downtown.
- Providing new investment that will further the image of downtown as a safe, livable place with walkable streets, housing choices, and mixed-use environment.
- Reinforcing, enhancing, and likely promoting through marketing associated with leasing the project Albany's distinctive character and identity.
- Strengthening downtown's attractiveness as commercial center by increasing the consumer base for goods and services.

Planning Board Actions:

o N/A

Estimated IDA Fee

• Fee amount: \$100,000

Mission

• The purpose of the Industrial Development Agency is to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities. The Agency aims to protect and promote the health of the inhabitants of the City of Albany by the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural and cultural or historic resources and environment and to control land, sewer, water, air, noise or general environmental pollution derived from the operation of industrial development.



Friday, April 5,

MEMORANDUM FROM



A. Joseph Scott, III Direct Dial: 518.433.2419 Facsimile: 518.465.1567 *ascott@hodgsonruss.com*

To:Members of the City of Albany Industrial Development AgencyDate:April 12, 2013Subject:City of Albany Industrial Development Agency
Proposed Condemnation – General Discussion

This memorandum is in response to your request that we outline for you the process by which the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") can obtain by condemnation a parcel of real estate (the "Parcel") for industrial and commercial development purposes, and the applicable condemnation procedures which the Agency would need to follow to initiate such a condemnation proceeding. Examples of recent uses of condemnation by Industrial Development Agencies (each an "IDA") and the experience of Hodgson Russ in advising IDAs through the condemnation process follows said outline.

I. POWER TO CONDEMN.

The Agency was created by the provisions of General Municipal Law Section 903-a, which provides that the Agency has all of the powers conferred by General Municipal Law Article 18-A upon IDAs. Pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 858(4), an IDA has authority to condemn property pursuant to the provisions of the Eminent Domain Procedure Law ("EDPL"). The power of an IDA to condemn property pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 858(4) has been upheld in numerous cases. See, for example, <u>Sun Company, Inc. v City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency</u>, NYS2d 371 (4th Dept 1995), wherein an IDA condemned a petroleum tank farm in Syracuse to permit redevelopment of the area for a strip shopping center, and the Appellate Division (Fourth Department) rejected claims that the statute granting condemnation power to the IDA was unconstitutional; that an agreement providing for the developer to fund the condemnation amounted to an illegal delegation of such power; and that the condemnation served a private, rather than a public, purpose.

II. APPLICABLE CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES.

New York enacted the Eminent Domain Procedure Law ("EDPL") in 1977. The EDPL provides the exclusive procedure by which property may be acquired by exercise of the power of eminent domain. The specific requirements to be followed by the Agency in a condemnation proceeding of real property for industrial development purposes, as set forth in the EDPL, are briefly summarized below.

A. Public Hearing Requirement:

1. <u>Notice of Public Hearing</u>. (a) <u>Publication</u>. Prior to the commencement of an eminent domain suit, the Agency, as condemnor, must conduct a pre-acquisition public hearing to inform the public, review the public use to be served by the proposed project, and review the impact of the project on the environment and

surrounding residents. Notice of the hearing must be published in at least five successive issues of an official daily newspaper (if there is one designated) in the locality of the project and in at least five successive issues of a daily newspaper of general circulation in such locality (if the official newspaper is one of general circulation in such locality, publication therein is sufficient). In the event that the only newspaper in such locality is a weekly publication, said notice need only be published in at least two successive issues. (EDPL Sections 201 and 202).

(b) <u>Personal Service</u>. The Agency must also serve personally, or by certified mail, notice of said hearing to each owner, last known owner, or reputed owner of real property, as shown on the assessment records (referred to as the assessment record billing owner), or his or her attorney of record. Such notice must be served at least 10 days, but not more than 30 days before the pre-acquisition public hearing. (EDPL Sections 201 and 202).

2. <u>Conduct of the Public Hearing</u>. At the public hearing, the Agency must outline the purpose, proposed location or alternate locations of the proposed public project and any other information that the Agency considers pertinent, including maps and property descriptions of the property to be acquired and adjacent parcels. Thereafter, any person in attendance must be given a reasonable opportunity to present an oral or written statement and to submit other documents concerning the proposed public project. A record of the hearing must be kept, including written statements submitted. (EDPL Section 203).

B. Additional Actions Required Prior to Commencement of Eminent Domain Proceeding:

The Agency must also undertake the following actions prior to the commencement of a condemnation action:

1. <u>State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR")</u>. The Agency must have complied with the procedures set forth in the SEQR Act with respect to the proposed acquisition. (Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law).

2. <u>Determination and Findings</u>. (a) <u>Determination and Findings</u>. Within 90 days after completion of the pre-acquisition public hearing, the Agency must make determinations and findings about the proposed public project. (EDPL Section 204).

(b) <u>Publication of Synopsis</u>. The Agency must publish a brief synopsis of the determinations and findings in at least two successive issues of an official newspaper (if there is one designated) in the locality where the project will be situated and in at least two successive issues of a newspaper of general circulation in such locality. The synopsis of determinations and findings must contain the following information:

(1) The public use, benefit or purpose to be served by the proposed public project;

(2) The approximate location of the proposed public project and the reasons for the selection of that location;

(3) The general effect of the proposed public project on the environment and residents of the locality; and

(4) Any other relevant factors the Agency deems necessary. (EDPL Section 204).

(c) <u>Personal Service of Synopsis</u>. The Agency must also serve personally, or by certified mail, a notice to each assessment record building owner setting forth a synopsis of the determination and findings, and informing the assessment record building owner of the availability of judicial review in the Appellate Division. (EDPL Section 204).

3. <u>Judicial Review</u>. The condemnee has the option to seek judicial review of the Agency's determination and findings. This option is exercised by filing a petition in the appellate division of the supreme court wherein the Parcel is located within 30 days after publication of the Agency's determination and findings. The scope of this judicial review is limited to whether (a) the proceeding was in compliance with the federal and state constitutions, (b) the proposed acquisition is within the Agency's statutory jurisdiction or authority, (c) the Agency's determination and findings were made in accordance with the procedures set forth in the EDPL and in the SEQR Act, and (d) a public use, benefit or purpose will be served by the proposed acquisition. Appeal can be taken to Court of Appeals. (EDPL Section 207).

4. <u>Negotiation</u>. The Agency must make every reasonable and expeditious effort to negotiate and agree with the assessment record building owners of the Parcel as to a just purchase price for the Parcel. (EDPL Section 301).

5. <u>Appraisal</u>. The Agency must have the property appraised by an appraiser. In connection therewith, the Agency has a right to have the Parcel inspected. (EDPL Section 302).

6. <u>Offer</u>. The Agency must establish an amount that the Agency believes to represent just compensation for the Parcel (in no event may that amount be less than the Agency's highest approved appraisal) and must make a written offer to acquire the Parcel for an amount at least equal to 100% of such amount. The offer must state that (a) the offer is the amount of the Agency's highest approved appraisal, and that payment will be made together with appropriate interest thereon, (b) a condemnee has the option of accepting the offer as payment in full or rejecting the offer as payment in full and, instead, accepting it as an advance payment and that accepting the offer as an advance payment shall in no way prejudice the condemnee's right to interpose a claim for additional compensation, and (c) upon acceptance of the offer, the Agency must enter into a stipulation or agreement with the condemnee providing for payment pursuant to the stipulation or agreement, either as full payment or as an advance payment. The offer will be deemed rejected by a condemnee in the event that the condemnee fails to notify the Agency, within ninety days of the offer, that the offer is accepted as full payment (EDPL Section 304).

C. Acquisition of the Parcel. If the parties cannot agree to a purchase price, a condemnation action may be commenced under EDPL Section 401. The following procedures will apply thereto.

1. <u>Commencement of Condemnation Action</u>. An action by the Agency to condemn the Parcel must be brought by the Agency in the supreme court in the judicial district where the Parcel is located. The action must be commenced by the Agency no later than three (3) years after conclusion of the later of (a) publication of the Agency's determination and findings or (b) if an action was brought for judicial review as described in item B.3. above, entry of the final order or judgment related thereto. (EDPL Sections 501(B) and 401).

2. <u>Vesting of Title</u>. (a) <u>Petition by Agency</u>. The Agency would commence the condemnation action by presentation of a verified petition to the court (seeking seek a court order to acquire the Parcel and for permission to file an acquisition map) in accordance with the following procedures: (1) a notice of pendency with respect to the condemnation action is filed in the county clerk's office in each county in which the Parcel is located (the "County Clerk's Office"); (2) notice of the condemnation must be served upon the owner of

record of the Parcel at least 20 days prior to the return date of the petition; and (3) the condemnee may appear and interpose a verified answer. (EDPL Section 402(B)).

(b) <u>Court Order</u>. On the return date (unless the court shall adjourn the application to a subsequent date), upon due proof of service of notice and proof that the procedural requirements of the EDPL have been met, the court shall direct the immediate and entry of the order granting the petition. (EDPL Section 402(B)(5)).

(c) <u>Filing of Acquisition Maps</u>. Upon receipt of the court order described in item C.2.(b) above, the Agency shall file such order, together with the acquisition map and, if required, the bond or undertaking, in the County Clerk's Office. (EDPL Section 402(B)(5)).

(d) <u>Vesting of Title</u>. Upon filing of the court order and the acquisition map, the acquisition of the Parcel as shown on such map shall be complete, and title to the parcel shall be vested in the Agency. (EDPL Section 402(B)(5)).

(e) <u>Right of First Refusal if Project Abandoned</u>. If, after acquisition of the Parcel, the Agency abandons the proposed public project, and the Parcel has not been substantially improved, the Agency may not dispose of the Parcel or any part thereof for private use without first offering the former owner a right of first refusal to purchase the Parcel. (EDPL Section 406).

D. Procedure for Determining Just Compensation. After the acquisition map has been filed and the Agency has taken possession of the Parcel, a condemnee may file a request as to just compensation and damages (EDPL Sections 502 and 503).

1. <u>Notice of Acquisition</u>. Within 30 days after entry of the court order vesting in the Agency title to the Parcel, the Agency issues a notice of acquisition that, among other things, directs that the condemnees of the Parcel file, with the Agency and the clerk of the court, either (a) a written claim, or (b) a notice of appearance in an action under EDPL Section 503. Such notice of acquisition must either (1) must be served, either by personal service or by certified mail, upon each condemnee or h attorney of record, or (2) be published for 10 consecutive days in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality in which the Parcel is located. (EDPL Section 502).

2. <u>Service of Claims</u>. A condemnee's claim for damages arising from the acquisition of the Parcel must be filed within the time specified by the court. In the event that a claim is made for compensation for fixtures or for any interest other than a fee in the real property acquired, a copy of such claim together with a schedule of fixture items, where applicable, shall also be served by the claimant on the fee owner and on the Agency's chief legal officer. (EDPL Section 503).

3. <u>Determination of Damages</u>. The court shall determine the compensation due the condemnees, as well as the respective interests and rights of all parties to the award and the apportionment thereof. In the proceedings to determine damages, appraisals are filed, conferences and trials conducted, much like a real property tax assessment challenge. (EDPL Sections 505 through 514).

III. EXAMPLES OF IDA USE OF CONDEMNATION.

Examples of three relatively recent condemnation proceedings involving IDAs are described below. Each proceeding involved different aspects of the procedure described above.

A. County IDA - Manufacturing Project

In this example, a manufacturing company requested assistance from a County IDA to construct a new \$50 million manufacturing facility. The County IDA agreed to assemble the parcels of real estate that were to comprise the site of the new manufacturing facility. The County IDA was able to reach negotiated agreements with most of the landowners. However several of the landowners did not cooperate with respect to negotiating a market price and at least one of the landowners (a large national retail entity) indicated that the matter was of such low priority that they would not be responding. Accordingly, the County IDA initiated condemnation proceedings to acquire the remaining parcels of land in order to assemble the project site.

None of the parties challenged the authority of the County IDA to condemn the properties. The matter currently the subject of litigation is the actual purchase price of the parcels.

B. County IDA – Co-Gen Project

In this matter, a County IDA initiated condemnation proceedings to assist a Co-Gen company in acquiring easements to provide for the delivery of utilities to the project site. The owners of the properties that were the subject of the proposed easements would not cooperate with the Co-Gen company. Again, there was no challenge to the authority of this County IDA in initiating the condemnation proceedings. The matter litigated involved the purchase price of the easements.

C. County IDA - Commercial Project

Similar to the manufacturing project example noted above, in this situation the owner of the site needed to provide for a significant downtown development project did not want to sell the parcel and, accordingly, the offering price for the parcel was very high. This County IDA intervened in the negotiation process and indicated to the seller its willingness to initiate a condemnation process to acquire the site. The parties ultimately reached a mutually satisfactory purchase price and no condemnation actually occurred.

IV. EXPERIENCE OF HODGSON RUSS.

Hodgson Russ acted as IDA and Bond Counsel in all of the examples described above. We advised each IDA through the varied requirements of the process based on the different reactions by each condemnee. Several of the matters described above were very adversarial, and several were not. In each case we worked with our IDA clients to address the relevant legal issues and, further, to consider the policy and local political issues of the condemnation.

V. CONCLUSION.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments that you may have.



257 Fuller Road Albany, New York 12203

April 12, 2013

Michael Yevoli Chief Executive Officer City of Albany Industrial Development Agency 21 Lodge Street Albany, New York 12207

RE: Request for IDA Assistance for SCiTI Center Project

Dear Mr. Yevoli:

Attached is a completed application, as well as the appropriate supplementary material and a check in the amount of \$1,500 as required by the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency for the consideration of financial assistance associated with Kiernan Plaza.

Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC) on behalf of the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE) seek to redevelop the vacant Kiernan Plaza as the Smart Cities Technology Innovation Center (SCiTI Center) to serve as an urban catalyst for business innovation, economic vitality and educational outreach. While preserving the historic nature of the property, the project seeks to convert the historic landmark into a highly visible symbol of downtown revitalization through the attraction of high tech companies in downtown Albany spurring significant business and job growth.

Kiernan Plaza, a once dramatic symbol of the greatness of Albany sits vacant, unused and deteriorating. Without assistance from the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency, the building confronts significant risk of falling into disrepair as critical infrastructure (roof, HVAC systems, masonry, etc.) will soon be exceeding their useful lives. Additionally, inherent limitations of the original design of this great historic structure as a train station, with its large atrium and common spaces currently configured for a single occupant challenge the buildings economic viability.

Fuller Road Management Corporation requests that the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency provide financial assistance by acquiring the property in order to provide title free and clear of all liens and encumbrances to allow its conveyance for the identified reuse project. As you will read in the enclosed application, FRMC requests that the IDA exercise its power of eminent domain to acquire the Kiernan Plaza property and enable the purchase of the property by FRMC, upon conveyance of title by the IDA to FRMC, enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement with FRMC for 15 years establishing a PILOT payment based on the current assessment of the property, and provide exemption from New York State Sales and Compensating Use on project construction costs and the Mortgage Recording Tax.



The SCiTI Center Project will focus public-private investment and leverage CNSE's innovation and educational initiatives and partnerships in nanotechnology and smart city technologies to establish a physical "Center" to the redevelopment of downtown Albany. The New York State Regional Economic Development Council awarded a \$4 million grant to FRMC to implement the SCiTI Center project with the goal of attracting high tech smart city companies to downtown Albany, providing a central headquarters and control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds, supporting workforce training, community engagement and economic outreach, offering high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center, and by branding the City of Albany as the nation's most progressive, sustainable, smart technology living destination.

As previously stated, the exercise of the power of eminent domain by the IDA to acquire title to the property will allow FRMC to return Kiernan Plaza to its former glory. With renewed mission and purpose the SCiTi Center Project will provide a significant public benefit by reestablishing this once great site into a synergistic economic development and job creation engine through the attraction of Smart City Technology companies.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions or find additional information is needed. I look forward to working with the Agency on this project. Thank you.

Sincerely,

John F. Loonan President, Fuller Road Management Corporation

Enclosure

CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

APPLICATION

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The answers to the questions contained in this application are necessary to determine your firm's eligibility for financing and other assistance from the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency. These answers will also be used in the preparation of papers in this transaction. Accordingly, all questions should be answered accurately and completely by an officer or other employee of your firm who is thoroughly familiar with the business and affairs of your firm and who is also thoroughly familiar with the proposed project. This application is subject to acceptance by the Agency.

 TO: CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY c/o Department of Economic Development
 21 Lodge Street Albany, New York 12207

This application by applicant respectfully states:

APPLICANT: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC)

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS: 257 Fuller Road

CITY: Albany STATE: New York ZIP CODE: 12203

PHONE NO.: 518 956-7359 FAX NO.: 518 437-8687 E-MAIL: jloonan@albany.edu

NAME OF PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED TO SPEAK FOR APPLICANT WITH RESPECT TO THIS APPLICATION:

John Loonan Michael Fancher

IF APPLICANT IS REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

NAME OF ATTORNEY: John L. Allen, Esq.

ATTORNEY'S ADDRESS: One Commerce Plaza

CITY: Albany STATE: New York ZIP CODE: 12260

PHONE NO.: 518 487-7680 FAX NO.: 518 487-7777 E-MAIL: jallen@woh.com

NOTE: PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 HEREOF BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS FORM.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. The Agency will not approve any application unless, in the judgment of the Agency, said application and the summary contains sufficient information upon which to base a decision whether to approve or tentatively approve an action.
- 2. Fill in all blanks, using "none" or "not applicable" or "N/A" where the question is not appropriate to the project which is the subject of this application (the "Project").
- 3. If an estimate is given as the answer to a question, put "(est)" after the figure or answer which is estimated.
- 4. If more space is needed to answer any specific question, attach a separate sheet.
- 5. When completed, return eight (8) copies of this application to the Agency at the address indicated on the first page of this application.
- 6. The Agency will not give final approval to this application until the Agency receives a completed environmental assessment form concerning the Project which is the subject of this application.
- 7. Please note that Article 6 of the Public Officers Law declares that all records in the possession of the Agency (with certain limited exceptions) are open to public inspection and copying. If the applicant feels that there are elements of the Project which are in the nature of trade secrets or information, the nature of which is such that if disclosed to the public or otherwise widely disseminated would cause substantial injury to the applicant's competitive position, the applicant may identify such elements in writing and request that such elements be kept confidential in accordance with Article 6 of the Public Officers Law.
- 8. The applicant will be required to pay to the Agency all actual costs incurred in connection with this application and the Project contemplated herein (to the extent such expenses are not paid out of the proceeds of the Agency's bonds issued to finance the project). The applicant will also be expected to pay all costs incurred by general counsel and bond counsel to the Agency. The costs incurred by the Agency, including the Agency's general counsel and bond counsel, may be considered as a part of the project and included as a part of the resultant bond issue.
- 9. The Agency has established an application fee of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to cover the anticipated costs of the Agency in processing this application. A check or money order made payable to the Agency must accompany each application. THIS APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE AGENCY UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPLICATION FEE.

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

1,	Project Number	
2.	Date application Received by Agency	, 20
3.	Date application referred to attorney for review	, 20
4.	Date copy of application mailed to members	, 20
5.	Date notice of Agency meeting on application posted	, 20
6.	Date notice of Agency meeting on application mailed	, 20
7.	Date of Agency meeting on application	, 20
8.	Date Agency conditionally approved application	, 20
9.	Date scheduled for public hearing	, 20
10.	Date Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") received	, 20
11.	Date Agency completed environmental review	,20
12.	Date of final approval of application	, 20

SUMMARY OF PROJECT

Applicant: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC)

Contact Person: John Loonan

Phone Number: 518 956-7359

Occupant: Fuller Road Management Corporation (FRMC)

Project Location: Peter D. Kiernan Plaza, 575 Broadway, Albany, New York 12207

Approximate Size of Project Site: 1.03 +/- acres

Description of Project:

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The structure is currently configured for single occupancy commercial office with 50,205 sq. ft. of rentable class B office space; a windowless first floor previously used as a data center providing 14,372 sq. ft. of sub-standard space (with questionable rentability); 34,734 sq. ft. of shared use (bathrooms, elevators, stairs, vestibules, etc.), and a 7,752 square foot atrium (ceiling height of approximately 45-50 ft.) that runs the length of the structure. Due to the inherent limitations on the original design of the structure as a train station, the ability to find a tenant will require significant improvements to allow for multiple tenants and replacement of its central supporting systems will require government investment for the purchase and renovation combined with a robust business attraction strategy to attract tenants that would accept the unique attributes and detrimental aspects of the space.

The building is expected to remain vacant for the foreseeable future due to the inability to collect rent on approximately 42,486 sq. ft. (atrium, vestibules, elevators, hallways and stairs) representing a 38 percent Loss Factor which is almost four times the 10-12 percent Loss Factor associated with a typical office building.¹ High annual operating costs associated with the building in its dormant state of approximately

¹ Loss Factor is also known as Load Factor or Common Area Factor is calculated by dividing the gross rentable area by the usable area and represents that portion of the space considered "lost" because it cannot be directly leased and the maintenance and operational costs must be covered by the other rentable areas.

\$475,000 – 500,000 including \$255,453 for real estate taxes compound the situation requiring at least approximately \$10/sq. ft. rental charge to cover operations without providing for the depreciation of necessary improvements, amortization of potential debt service associated with those improvements, and increasing repairs. The building is currently available to a single tenant for a rental rate of \$15.95/sq. ft. gross space (including atrium and other common space) plus utilities, of which rate is comparable in price to that charged for Class B office space in surrounding downtown and suburban locations and, as such, is used to estimate the potential rental income for the building. It is estimated that \$10/sq.ft. might be possible on the 14,372 sq. ft. previously used as a data center. While there is a 850 +/- space, underutilized parking garage located at the rear of the building, the high vacancy of class B space in suburban office parks, where parking is included, makes the additional cost of \$70-\$150/month/car a further complication to the economics of the building.

Based on Kiernan Plaza having been vacant for the past three years and the likelihood that it will continue to be vacant, given the lack of demand for single tenant users of such a large building with a high Loss Factor, there is concern that the building's critical infrastructure (roof, masonry, HVAC systems, etc.) may fail over the next several years as they exceed their useful lives. As a result, it is likely the current market value for the property is approximately \$3,000,000 as compared to the current assessed value of \$5.5 million. The vacant and deteriorating condition of this landmark structure can be averted by this application for financial assistance.

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Total project cost of the SCiTI Center is estimated to be \$10 million including a \$4 million from Empire State Development Corporation as a Regional Council Incentive Grant award and remaining funding from private investment for fit-up of multiple tenants resulting in the location and expansion of 10 to 14 companies in downtown Albany and is conservatively estimated to create 150 and retain 100 high-paying jobs over the next five years with employment likely to be much higher.

The SCiTI Center Project seeks to address a growing concern that high tech growth is not directly occurring in the region's downtown tri-cities.² A recent Times Union article entitled, "*Taking Tech to Urban Centers: Can Region's Cities Get Slice of Tech Growth Seen in Suburbs*" highlights this growing concern. The SCiTI Center Project will focus public-private investment on addressing underutilized commercial space and dissinvestment in our urban center by leveraging CNSE's innovation and educational initiatives and partnerships in nanotechnology and smart city technologies to: 1) establish a strategic business attraction plan; 2) support community engagement and educational enrichment programs; and, 3) enable innovative economic outreach strategies to increase investment in surrounding properties, SCT test-bed projects, and nanotechnology and SCT educational programs.

The SCiTI Center Project would provide a physical "Center" to the redevelopment of downtown Albany by: 1) hosting the entire food-chain of SCiTI companies including the back-office support for the nanodevice companies with R&D operations at CNSE's NanoTech complex; 2) providing a central headquarters and control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds; 3) supporting workforce training, community engagement and economic outreach, etc.; 4) offering high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center; and, 5) branding the City of Albany as the nation's most progressive, sustainable, smart technology living destination.

Type of Project:	□ Manufacturing	□ Warehouse/Distribution
	X Commercial	🗆 Not-For-Profit
	□ Other-Specify	

Employment Impact: 250 total permanent full time jobs including 150 to be created and 100 to be retained.

Taxable

Project Cost: \$10,000,000

Type of Financing:	Tax-Exempt
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Amount of Bonds Requested: N/A

Estimated Value of Tax-Exemptions:

N.Y.S. Sales and Compensating Use Tax:\$_Mortgage Recording Taxes:\$_Real Property Tax Exemptions:\$_Other (please specify):\$_

\$ 270,000	
\$ 75,000	
\$ 75,750	
\$ 0	

□X Straight Lease

I. <u>INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED OCCUPANT OF THE PROJECT</u> (HEREINAFTER, THE "COMPANY").

A. <u>Identity of Company</u>:

² Churchill, C. (2011, October 16). Taking Tech to Urban Centers: Can region's cities get slice of tech growth seen in suburbs?. Times Union.

1. Company Name: Fuller Road Management Corporation

Present Address: 257 Fuller Road

Zip Code: 12203

Employer's ID No.:141772760

- 2. If the Company differs from the Applicant, give details of relationship:
- 3. Indicate type of business organization of Company:
 - a. X Corporation (If so, incorporated in what country? U.S. What State? New York State. Date Incorporated? September 27, 1993. Type of Corporation? Domestic Not-for-Profit 501-C-25. Authorized to do business in New York? Yes_X; No_).
 - b. ____Partnership (if so, indicate type of partnership ______, Number of general partners ____, Number of limited partners ____).
 - c. ____Limited liability company, Date created? _____.
 - d. Sole proprietorship

4. Is the Company a subsidiary or direct or indirect affiliate of any other organization(s)? No. If so, indicate name of related organization(s) and relationship:

B. Management of Company:

1. List all owners, officers, members, directors and partners (complete all columns for each person):

NAME (First, Middle, Last) HOME ADDRESS	OFFICE HELD	OTHER PRINCIPAL BUSINESS
Research Foundation of SUNY	Member	
University at Albany Foundation	Member	
Dr. Alain Kaloyeros	Chair of the Board	Senior Vice President and CEO, College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering
Tom Birdsey	Director	President and CEO EYP Architecture & Engineering
Robert E. Blackman	Director	VP and General Manager Realty USA
John C. Cavalier	Director	Retired
William B. Eimicke	Director	Professor of Professional Practice in International and Public Affairs; Executive Director, Picker Center for Executive Education School of International and Public Affairs Columbia University
Carl Florio	Director	Vice Chairman Paradigm Capital Management
Harold C. Hanson, Esq.	Director	Hinman, Straub, Pigors & Manning, of Counsel
I. Norman Massry (Vice Chair of the Board; Chair, Finance	Director	Tri City Rentals/Massry Realty Partners
John F. Loonan	President	Vice President for Finance and Fiscal Management, College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering
Leo F. Neveu	Chief Admin Officer & Treasurer	
Brenda Birken	General Counsel	Vice President for Policy and Regulatory Affairs; Senior Legal Advisor for Externally Sponsored Programs; Director, CNSE Office for Technology Innovation and Commercialization, College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering
Deborah Fox Reichler	Director of Finance	
Jonathan R. Holder	Owner's Representative for Facilities	Vice President of Facilities and Infrastructure, College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering

2. Is the Company or management of the Company now a plaintiff or a defendant in any civil or criminal litigation? Yes _____; No __X__.

3. Has any person listed above ever been convicted of a criminal offense (other than a minor traffic violation)? Yes ____; Not to our knowledge.

4. Has any person listed above or any concern with whom such person has been connected ever been in receivership or been adjudicated a bankrupt? Yes ____; Not to our knowledge. (If yes to any of the foregoing, furnish details in a separate attachment).

5. If the answer to any of questions 2 through 4 is yes, please, furnish details in a separate attachment.

C. Principal Owners of Company:

1. Principal owners of Company: Is Company publicly held? Yes ____; No __X_. If yes, list exchanges where stock traded:

2. If no, list all stockholders having a 5% or more interest in the Company: Company is a not-for-profit corporation with two members listed above, Research Foundation of SUNY and the University at Albany Foundation, and do not have an owner in the traditional sense.

NAME	ADDRESS	PERCENTAGE OF HOLDING
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 D. Company's Principal Bank(s) of account: Bank name: M&T Bank
 Account name: Fuller Road Management Corporation Bank Address: 327 Great Oaks Blvd, Albany, NY 12203

II. DATA REGARDING PROPOSED PROJECT

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The announcement of a partnership between CNSE and the Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region (Trinity Alliance) on July 16, 2012 provides an excellent example of how the SCiTI Center Project has already catalyzed joint nanotechnology and smart city technology education and workforce training programs with its focus on young people in Albany's South End neighborhood and the planned construction of the Albany Capital South Campus Center.

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Prospective CNSE partner tenants have been identified with tentative commitments to occupy portions of the building including CHA, a leading engineering design company, among others. CHA (formerly Clough Harbor Associates) employs approximately 1,500 professionals around the world and currently maintains its headquarters at 3 Winners Circle, Colonie, New York. Their desire to relocate the company's executive management team to SCiTI Center will retain their headquarters in New York State and allow for the expansion of their highly skilled professional staff (electrical, mechanical and civil engineers) in their existing Colonie facility. In addition, the SCiTI Center Project will provide a prime location for joint programs in which CNSE, CHA and other partners that will lead to the development and commercialization of smart city technologies that require integration of smart devices in deployed systems operating in a broad array of field-based applications.

- B. Location of Proposed Project:
 - 1. Street Address 575 Broadway
 - 2. City of Albany
 - 3 Town of N/A
 - 4. Village of N/A
 - 5. County of Albany
- C. <u>Project Site</u>:

1. Approximate size (in acres or square feet) of Project site: 1.03 acres Is a map, survey or sketch of the project site attached? Yes \underline{X} ; No \underline{X} .

Are there existing buildings on project site? Yes X_; No ____.
 a. If yes, indicate number and approximate size (in square feet) of each existing building:

There is one existing 111,693 sq. ft. building located on approximately 1.03 +/- acres at the project site.

The building currently vacant and is marketed for rental as commercial office space and data center. The prior owner of the building was Bank of America where the building was used for commercial banking services and as a regional data center for the bank.

c. Are existing buildings abandoned? Yes ___; No _X_. About to be abandoned? Yes ___; No _X_. If yes, describe:

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d. Attach photograph of present buildings.



3. Utilities serving project site:

Water-Municipal: Yes Other (describe) Sewer-Municipal: Yes Other (describe) Electric-Utility: National Grid Other (describe) Heat-Utility: National Grid Natural Gas Other (describe)

4. Present legal owner of project site:

First States Investors 5200, LLC

a. If the Company owns project site, indicate date of purchase: _____; Purchase price: \$______.

b. If Company does not own the Project site, does Company have option signed with owner to purchase the Project site? Yes ____; No _X_. If yes, indicate date option signed with owner: _____, 20___; and the date the option expires: _____, 20___.
c. If the Company does not own the project site, is there a relationship

c. If the Company does not own the project site, is there a relationship legally or by common control between the Company and the present owners of the project site? Yes ____; No _X___. If yes, describe:

5. a. Zoning District in which the project site is located: C-3

b. Are there any variances or special permits affecting the site? Yes ____; No X__. If yes, list below and attach copies of all such variances or special permits:

D. Buildings:

Does part of the project consist of a new building or buildings? Yes ____; No X
 If yes, indicate number and size of new buildings:

2. Does part of the project consist of additions and/or renovations to the existing buildings? Yes \underline{X} ; No $\underline{}$. If yes, indicate the buildings to be expanded or renovated, the size of any expansions and the nature of expansion and/or renovation:

The Project site consists of a single building located at 575 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207 and was named after Peter Kiernan who was the President of Norstar Bank when the former Union Train Station was restored as the bank's headquarters. The building has been used by Bank of America as a single tenant until 2009. The overall size, structure and footprint of the building will remain unchanged under current plans for renovation will allow for multiple tenants and will take into account the preservation of the historic nature of building.

3. Describe the principal uses to be made by the Company of the building or buildings to be acquired, constructed or expanded:

The building will be used as commercial Class B office space with the potential for a data center. It will also support community engagement and educational enrichment programs as well as enable innovative economic outreach strategies to increase investment in

surrounding properties, SCT test-bed projects, and nanotechnology and SCT educational programs.

- E. Description of the Equipment:
 - Does a part of the Project consist of the acquisition or installation of machinery, equipment or other personal property (the "Equipment")? Yes X_; No _____. If yes, describe the Equipment: The use of the building will not include any industrial or manufacturing equipment.
 - 2. With respect to the Equipment to be acquired, will any of the Equipment be Equipment which has previously been used? Yes___; No X__. If yes, please provided detail: N/A
 - 3. Describe the principal uses to be made by the Company of the Equipment to be acquired or installed: Principal uses to be made by the Company and the tenants within the building will include telecommunications, information technology and related office support equipment.
- F. Project Use:
 - 1. What are the principal products to be produced at the Project?

The principal products of the SCiTI Center Project will be redevelopment of commercial Class B office space for multiple tenants with the potential for data center operations and limited food service. Anticipated tenants would include public and private entities focusing on Smart Cities Technologies Innovation (SCiTI) and support "back office" operations of companies performing R&D at the CNSE NanoTech complex. The Project will also support educational and community engagement and enrichment activities utilizing the rotunda of Kiernan Plaza.

The following schematics and related tables represent a potential tenant space allocation scenario for the four floors of the SCiTI Center Project. The New York State Regional Council recently awarded FRMC with a \$4 million grant to support the purchase and fit-up of the SCiTI Center for multi-tenancy. It is conservatively projected that 150 jobs will be directly created and 100 jobs retained within SCiTI Center Project site over the next five years (50 jobs per year) with additional jobs to also be created at partner institutions and organizations within the region.



Rentable Space – Level 1		
Tenant 1	9880 sq. ft.	
Tenant 2	4492 sq. ft.	
Mechanical	4666 sq. ft.	
Remaining	9918 sq. ft.	
Total Gross Sq. Ft Level 1	28956 sq. ft.	
Rentable Space – Level 2		
Tenant 3	1509 sq. ft.	
Tenant 4	1722 sq. ft.	
Tenant 5	5331 sq. ft.	
Tenant 6	1827 sq. ft.	
Tenant 7	1827 sq. ft.	
Tenant 8	4630 sq. ft.	
Remaining	12054 sq. ft.	
Total Gross Sq. Ft Level 2	28900 sq. ft	



Rentable Space – Level 3	
Tenant 9	3475 sq. ft.
Tenant 10	4419 sq. ft.
Tenant 11	3527 sq. ft.
Tenant 12	4551 sq. ft.
Remaining	7407 sq. ft.
Total Gross Sq. Ft – Level 3	23343 sq. ft.
Rentable Space – Level 4	

Tenant 13	8637 sq. ft.
Tenant 14	8750 sq. ft.
Remaining	5355 sq. ft.
Total Gross Sq. Ft Level 4	22742 sq. ft.
Atrium – Levels 2 – 4	
Common Space	7752 sq. ft.
Total Building Gross Sq.Ft.	111693 sq. ft.

With the recent emergence of smart-phone and cloud computing technology platforms in the consumer marketplace, the opportunity to develop smart technologies in adjacent markets of transportation/aerospace, energy/smart grid, and personalized healthcare/biopharmaceutical, among other markets is on the near horizon. The SCiTI Center Project represents a state and local public-private partnership to attract and support regional technology companies to collaborate by jointly pursuing Smart Cities Technology (SCT).

The SCiTI Center Project strategy seeks to integrate, enhance and leverage the region's combined strengths (shared R,D&D assets, global nanotechnology education networks, and open innovation consortia/entrepreneurial culture) to achieve the economic development outcomes including: 1) creation of business start-ups; 2) attraction of new companies; and 3) expansion of industry clusters and eco-system support (including retention of existing companies).

The SCiTI Center Project represents a strategic approach to regional economic growth that would be unique in the country and position the entire state to leverage an array of existing public-private partnerships leading to significant private sector investment in the development and commercialization of solutions that will not only result in economic growth in downtown Albany but also reduce the cost of delivering government services in the region and state.

2. What are the principal activities to be conducted at the Project?

Leasing/ use of multi-tenanted Class B office space to Smart City Technology companies.

Smart City Technologies (SCT) use data analytics to integrate cloud-based sources of information with data generated by devices located in the field that are capable of computing, communicating, sensing, positioning, and actuating either independently or in combination with other systems to optimize processes and infrastructure in a city, which makes it more efficient, safer, and productive. SCT encompasses healthcare, energy, water, transportation, security, governmental services, emergency response, and education and enable sustainable growth by allocating scarce resources more efficiently by reducing waste, becoming more resilient, increasing capacity, and allowing for seamless actions to be taken.

The goal of the SCiTI Center Project is to integrate and position the region's higher education technology capabilities, not-for-profit community development organizations, business incubator/technology park resources, and economic development entity services to: attract, grow, retain and align the region's small, medium, and large-sized technology companies in our urban centers supported by expanded Research, Development and Deployment (R,D&D) assets, industry networks and open innovation culture overseen by CNSE. The objective of the SCiTI Center Project is to leverage the Capital Region's international reputation as a unique public-private model and its' critical mass of strategic technology innovation resources, industry and business development relationships, economic outreach capabilities, and education delivery services to provide highly tailored opportunities for investment in high tech growth, education, and economic development throughout the region.

As the capital city of New York State, the seat of Albany County and the central hub of the tri-city region, Albany enjoys a high proportion of federal office, state agency headquarters and local government public authorities encompassing the entire spectrum of smart cities and governmental services from Transportation (e.g. NYS DOT, NYS Thruway Authority, NYS Canal Corporation, Capital District Transportation and Port Authorities, as well as Amtrak, and CSX); Healthcare (e.g. NYS DOH and Wadsworth Lab, NYS DEC, NYS Ag. & Markets, as well healthcare providers serving the entire spectrum of health settings); Energy (including NYERSDA, Independent System Operator, Public Service Commission); Governmental Services (e.g. OTDA, OGS, etc.) to Security (e.g. NYS Police, NYS Forensic Laboratory, Dept. of Homeland Security, National Guard, etc.), among other state agencies. The Capital Region is also closely linked to the greater New York City metropolitan area with direct Amtrak service and close relationships between public and private entities operating in both the Capital Region and NYC.

The SCiTI Center Project will serve as the catalyst to locate high tech growth companies in downtown Albany by providing class B office space and data center operations creating a physical "Center" to the redevelopment of downtown Albany by: 1) hosting the entire food-chain of SCiTI companies including the back-office support for the nanodevice companies with R&D operations at CNSE's NanoTech complex; 2) providing a central headquarters and demonstration control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds; 3) supporting workforce training, community engagement and economic outreach, etc.; 4) offering high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center; and, 5) branding the City of Albany as the nation's most progressive, sustainable, smart technology living destination.

CNSE and its partner companies and institutions will work with the agencies of the City of Albany and seek to establish partnerships with New York State and New York City agencies to collaborate on SCT solutions and test-bed demonstrations to evaluate performance and assess operational efficiencies. The SCiTI Center Project will also house a control center and act as a headquarters for the various test-bed projects enabling public demonstration of SCT solutions in practice as well as establish educational displays, exhibits and events to increase community awareness and understanding of SCT innovations and career opportunities in the emerging fields of nanotechnology, smart cities and related application areas (clean energy, biohealth, etc.).

Does the Project include facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities? Yes _; No _X_. If yes, please provide detail:

4. If the answer to question 3 is yes, what percentage of the cost of the Project will be expended on such facilities or property primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit the Project? ____% N/A

5. If the answer to question 3 is yes, and the answer to question 4 is more than 33.33%, indicate whether any of the following apply to the Project: N/A

- a. Will the Project be operated by a not-for-profit corporation? N/A Yes___; No___. If yes, please explain:
- b. Is the Project likely to attract a significant number of visitors from outside the economic development region in which the Project will be located? Yes___; No___. N/A If yes, please explain:
- c. Would the Project occupant, but for the contemplated financial assistance from the Agency, locate the related jobs outside the State of New York? Yes___; No____. N/A If yes, please explain:
- d. Is the predominant purpose of the Project to make available goods or services which would not, but for the Project, be reasonable accessible to the residents of the city, town or village within which the Project will be located, because of a lack of reasonably accessible retail trade facilities offering such goods or services? Yes___; No___. N/A If yes, please provide detail:
- e. Will the Project be located in one of the following: (i) an area designed as an economic development zone pursuant to Article 18-B of the General Municipal Law; or (ii) a census tract or block numbering area (or census tract or block numbering area contiguous thereto) which, according to the most recent census data, has (x) a poverty rate of at least 20% for the year in which the data relates, or at least 20% of households receiving public assistance, and (y) an unemployment rate of at least 1.25 times the statewide unemployment rate for the year to which the data relates? Yes_X_; No ____. If yes, please explain: Census track 11 in Albany County is characterized as economically distressed with 23.9% unemployment with 35.9% of total households making less than \$10,000 income and benefits according to the 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

6. If the answers to any of subdivisions c. through e. of question 5 is yes, will the Project preserve permanent, private sector jobs or increase the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York? <u>Yes</u>; No___. N/A If yes, please explain:

The SCiTI Center project anticipates preserving 100 permanent, private sector jobs and increasing 150 permanent, private sector jobs by attracting smart city technology companies by providing a physical "Center" to the redevelopment of downtown Albany. Specifically, the project will seek to: 1) host the entire food-chain of SCiTI companies

including the back-office support for the nano-device companies with R&D operations at CNSE's NanoTech complex; 2) provide a central headquarters and control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds; 3) support workforce training, community engagement and economic outreach, etc. to the surrounding census track residents; 4) offer high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center; and, 5) brand the City of Albany as the nation's most progressive, sustainable, smart technology living destination.

7. Will the completion of the Project result in the removal of a plant or facility of the Company or another proposed occupant of the Project (a "Project Occupant") from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York? Yes ____; No_X_(If yes, please explain:

CHA (formerly Clough Harbor Associates) employs approximately 1,500 professionals around the world and currently maintains its headquarters at 3 Winners Circle, Colonie, New York. The proposed relocation of the company's executive management team to SCiTI Center will retain their headquarters in New York State and allow for the expansion of their highly skilled professional staff (electrical, mechanical and civil engineers) in their existing Colonie facility. In addition, the SCiTI Center Project will provide a prime location for joint programs in which CNSE, CHA and other partners that will lead to the development and commercialization of smart city technologies that require integration of smart devices in deployed systems operating in a broad array of field-based applications.

8. Will the completion of the Project result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company located in the State of New York? Yes ___; No __X_. If yes, please provide detail:

9. If the answer to either question 7 or question 8 is yes, indicate whether any of the following apply to the Project:

a. Is the Project reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Company on such Project Occupant in its industry? Yes ____; No____. If yes, please provide detail: N/A

The relocation of CHA executive management team into the Project site will allow the company to expand at its existing facility in Colonie and will position the company to grow as it pursues opportunities in the emerging smart city technology market. The interaction with other tenants and CNSE partners offers additional growth opportunities.

b. Is the Project reasonably necessary to discourage the Company or such Project Occupant from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the State of New York? Yes ____; No____. If yes, please provide detail: N/A

With several other office locations throughout North America, the threat to consolidate the headquarters into another office location was significant.

G. <u>Other Involved Agencies</u>:

1. Please indicate all other local agencies, boards, authorities, districts, commissions or governing bodies (including any city, county and other political subdivision of the State of New York and all state departments, agencies, boards, public benefit corporations, public authorities or commissions) involved in approving or funding or directly undertaking action with respect to the Project. For example, do you need a municipal building permit to undertake the Project? Do you need a zoning approval to undertake the Project? If so, you would list the appropriate municipal building department or planning or zoning commission which would give said approvals.

- City of Albany, including the following departments:
 - Albany Parking Authority
 - Buildings and Regulatory Compliance
 - Development and Planning
 - Various City Agencies (TBD)
- State of New York, including the following departments:
 - Empire State Development

2. Describe the nature of the involvement of the federal, state or local agencies described above:

The New York State and Empire State Development announced on December 19, 2012 the award of a \$ 4 million Regional Council grant for the purchase, renovation and fit-up of the SCiTI Center project including reconfiguration of the building systems to accommodate a multi-tenant building occupancy with common spaces and fit-up of tenant spaces. In addition, CNSE has been in discussions with various City and State agencies on potential partnerships with CNSE partner companies on establishing test-bed demonstration of potential SCT projects.

H. <u>Construction Status</u>:

1. Has construction work on this project begun? Yes ____; No _X_. If yes, please discuss in detail the approximate extent of construction and the extent of completion. Indicate in your answer whether such specific steps have been completed as site clearance and preparation; completion of foundations; installation of footings; etc.:

2. Please indicate amount of funds expended on this project by the Company in the past three (3) years and the purposes of such expenditures: \$0.00

I. <u>Method of Construction After Agency Approval</u>:

1. If the Agency approves the project which is the subject of this application, there are two methods that may be used to construct the project. The applicant can construct the project privately and sell the project to the Agency upon completion. Alternatively, the applicant can request to be appointed as "agent" of the Agency, in which case certain laws applicable to public construction may apply to the project. Does the applicant wish

to be designated as "agent" of the Agency for purposes of constructing the project? Yes $X_{,}$; No ____.

2. If the answer to question 1 is yes, does the applicant desire such "agent" status prior to the closing date of the financing? Yes \underline{X} ; No

III. INFORMATION CONCERNING LEASES OR SUBLEASES OF THE PROJECT. (PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SECTION IF THE COMPANY INTENDS TO LEASE OR SUBLEASE ANY PORTION OF THE PROJECT).

- A. Does the Company intend to lease or sublease more than 10% (by area or fair market value) of the Project? Yes X; No____. If yes, please complete the following for each existing or proposed tenant or subtenant:
 - Sublessee name: Clough Harbour and Associates
 Present Address: III Winners Circle, P.O. Box 5269
 City: Albany State: New York Zip: 12205-0269
 Employer's ID No.: 14-1621922
 Sublessee is: __X__ Corporation: ___ Partnership: ____ Sole Proprietorship
 Relationship to Company: Collaboration Partner
 Percentage of Project to be leased or subleased: TBD
 Use of Project intended by Sublessee: Office space for global headquarters
 executive management team
 Date of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Pending
 Term of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Pending
- B. Will any portion of the space leased by this sublessee be primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit the Project? Yes___; No_X_. If yes, please provide on a separate attachment (a) details and (b) the answers to questions II(F)(4) through (6) with respect to such sublessee.
 - 2. Sublessee name: Present Address: TBD City: State: Zip: Employer's ID No .: Sublessee is: Corporation: Partnership: Sole Proprietorship Relationship to Company: Percentage of Project to be leased or subleased: Use of Project intended by Sublessee: Date of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Term of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Will any portion of the space leased by this sublessee be primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit the Project? Yes___; No____. If yes, please provide on a separate attachment (a) details and (b) the answers to questions II(F)(4) through (6) with respect to such sublessee.
3. Sublessee name: TBD Present Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: City: Employer's ID No .: Corporation: _____ Partnership: _____ Sole Proprietorship Sublessee is: Relationship to Company: Percentage of Project to be leased or subleased: Use of Project intended by Sublessee: Date of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Term of lease or sublease to Sublessee: Will any portion of the space leased by this sublessee be primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit the Project? Yes___; No____. If yes, please provide on a separate attachment (a) details and (b) the answers to questions II(F)(4) through (6) with respect to such sublessee.

B. What percentage of the space intended to be leased or subleased is now subject to a binding written lease or sublease? 0%

IV. Employment Impact

A. Indicate below the number of people presently employed at the project site and the number that will be employed at the project site at end of the first and second years after the project has been completed (Do not include construction workers). Also indicate below the number of workers employed at the project site representing newly created positions as opposed to positions relocated from other project sites of the applicant. Such information regarding relocated positions should also indicate whether such positions are relocated from other project sites financed by obligations previously issued by the Agency.

The project site currently vacant and has no direct employment of permanent, temporary or part time workers. It is anticipated that 30-50 jobs will be created in downtown Albany by the project representing CHA's executive management team, with equal number of new employees to locate in their existing Colonie location. As tenants are identified it is anticipated that there will be a total of at least 150 created and 100 retained full time permanent jobs with the allocation between created and retained to be assumed equal for each year 60% created and 40% retained as follows:

	,	TYPE OF EMPL	OYMENT		
	PROFESSIONAL MANAGERIAL	SKILLED	SEMI- SKILLED	UNSKILLED	TOTALS
Present Full Time	0	0	0	0	0
Present Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
Present Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
First Year Full Time	50	0	0	0	50
First Year Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
First Year Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
Second Year Full Time	50	0	0	0	50
Second Year Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
Second Year Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
Third Year Full Time	50	0	0	0	50
Third Year Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
Third year Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
Fourth Year Full Time	50	0	0	0	50
Fourth Year Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
Fourth Year Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
Fifth Year Full Time	50	0	0	0	50
Fifth Year Part Time	0	0	0	0	0
Fifth Year Seasonal	0	0	0	0	0
5 Year Total	250	0	0	0	250

B. Please prepare a separate attachment describing in detail the types of employment at the project site. Such attachment should describe the activities or work performed for each type of employment.

It is anticipated that the type of employment for tenants yet to be determined would include professional architects, engineers, financial, accounting and business administration personnel. The company is unable to provide further details on specific jobs at this time.

V. Project Cost

A. <u>Anticipated Project Costs</u>. State the costs reasonably necessary for the acquisition of the project site and the construction of the proposed project including the acquisition and installation of any machinery and equipment necessary or convenient in connection therewith, and including any utilities, access roads or appurtenant facilities, using the following categories:

Description of Cost	Amount
Land	\$ N/A Combined with Buildings below
Buildings	\$3,000,000
Machinery and equipment costs	\$0
Utilities, roads and appurtenant costs	\$0
Architects and engineering fees	\$ 250,000
Costs of Bond issue (legal, financial	
and printing)	\$
Construction loan fees and interest	
(if applicable)	\$
Other (specify)	\$
Fit-up Renovations	\$ <u>6,750,000</u> _(**)
	\$
	\$

TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$<u>10,000,000</u>

**Includes the acquisition and installation therein and thereon related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property.

B. Have any of the above expenditures already been made by applicant? Yes _____, No \underline{X} . (If yes, indicate particular.)

V. BENEFITS EXPECTED FROM THE AGENCY

- A. <u>Financing</u>
 - 1. Is the applicant requesting that the Agency issue bonds to assist in financing the project? Yes ____; No _X___. If yes, indicate:
 - a. Amount of loan requested: _____Dollars;
 - b. Maturity requested: ____Years.
 - 2. Is the interest on such bonds intended to be exempt from federal income taxation? Yes ____; No ____. N/A
 - 3. If the answer to question 2 is yes, will any portion of the Project be used for any of the following purposes:
 - a. retail food and beverage services: Yes___; No___
 - b. automobile sales or service: Yes___; No____
 - c. recreation or entertainment: Yes___; No____

- golf course: Yes___; No____ d.
- country club: Yes___; No____ e.
- massage parlor: Yes___; No___ f.
- g.
- tennis club: Yes___; No____ skating facility (including roller h.
- skating, skateboard and ice skating): Yes ___; No____; i.
- racquet sports facility (including j.
- handball and racquetball court): Yes __; No____
- hot tub facility: Yes___; No____ k.
- suntan facility: Yes___; No____ 1.
- racetrack: Yes ; No____ m.
- If the answer to any of the above questions contained in question 3 is yes, please 4 furnish details on a separate attachment.
- Is the Project located in the City's federally designated Enterprise Zone? 5. Yes ; No X.
- Is the applicant requesting the Agency to issue federally tax-exempt Enterprise 6. Zone bonds? Yes ___; No X_.

Tax Benefits Β.

Is the applicant requesting any real property tax exemption that would not be 1. available to a project that did not involve the Agency? Yes X = ; No = .

Is the applicant expecting that the financing of the Project will be secured by one 2. financing to be secured by mortgages? \$ TBD, but estimated to be approximately \$6 million.

Is the applicant expecting to be appointed agent of the Agency for purposes of 3. avoiding payment of N.Y.S. Sales Tax or Compensating Use Tax? Yes X_; No If yes, what is the approximate amount of purchases which the applicant expects to be exempt from the N.Y.S. Sales and Compensating Use Taxes? \$ 3,375,000.

What is the estimated value of each type of tax-exemption being sought in 4. connection with the Project? Please detail the type of tax-exemption and value of the exemption.

a.	N.Y.S. Sales and Compensating Use Taxes:	\$ 280,000
b.	Mortgage Recording Taxes:	\$ 75,000
с.	Real Property Tax Exemptions:	\$ 75,750
d.	Other (please specify):	
		\$
		\$

Are any of the tax-exemptions being sought in connection with the Project 5. inconsistent with the Agency's tax-exemption policy contained in its Rules and Regulations? Yes X_; No ____. If yes, please explain.

The requested PILOT deviates from the Agency's PILOT policy. Although the property is currently assessed at \$5.5 million, FRMC believes that the actual fair market value of the property is approximately \$3 million. One reason is that when the appraisal was done, there was a tenant in the building. That is no longer the case and the property has been vacant for three years. Nevertheless, the applicant is requesting a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement for 15 years that would establish a PILOT payment based on the current \$5.5 million assessment of the property, but with payments which would fluctuate with changes in the various tax rates. That way, the various taxing entities would, presumably, not receive less in taxes than they currently receive. FRMC would also continue to pay the Business Improvement District assessment. Respectfully, FRMC also notes that, since it is a not-for-profit corporation, if it were to become the owner of the property some or all of the property might be completely exempt from real property taxes.

6. Is the Project located in the City's state designated Empire Zone? Yes___; No_ X_{-} .

C. <u>Project Cost/Benefit Information</u>. Complete the attached Cost/Benefit Analysis so that the Agency can perform a cost/benefit analysis of undertaking the Project. Such information should consist of a list and detailed description of the benefits of the Agency undertaking the Project (e.g., number of jobs created, types of jobs created, economic development in the area, etc.). Such information should also consist of a list and detailed description of the costs of the Agency undertaking the Project (e.g., tax revenues lost, buildings abandoned, etc.).

VI. <u>REPRESENTATIONS BY THE APPLICANT</u>. The applicant understands and agrees with the Agency as follows:

A. <u>Job Listings</u>. Except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining agreements, new employment opportunities created as a result of the Project will be listed with the New York State Department of Labor Community Services Division (the "DOC") and with the administrative entity (collectively with the DOC, the "JTPA Entities") of the service delivery area created by the federal job training partnership act (Public Law 97-300) ("JTPA") in which the Project is located.

B. <u>First Consideration for Employment</u>: In accordance with Section 858-b(2) of the New York General Municipal Law, the applicant understands and agrees that, if the Project receives any Financial Assistance from the Agency, except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining agreements, where practicable, the applicant will first consider persons eligible to participate in JTPA programs who shall be referred by the JTPA Entities for new employment opportunities created as a result of the Project.

C. <u>City Human Rights Law</u>. The Applicant agrees to endeavor to comply with the provisions of Article XI, Division 2 of the City Code, entitled "The Omnibus Human Rights Law". The Applicant understands that it is not subject to the provisions of The Omnibus Human Rights Law.

D. <u>Annual Sales Tax Filings</u>. In accordance with Section 874(8) of the New York General Municipal Law, the applicant understands and agrees that, if the Project receives any sales tax exemptions as part of the Financial Assistance from the Agency, in accordance with Section 874(8) of the General Municipal Law, the applicant agrees to file, or cause to be filed, with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, the annual form prescribed by the

Department of Taxation and Finance, describing the value of all sales tax exemptions claimed by the applicant and all consultants or subcontractors retained by the applicant.

F. <u>Annual Employment Reports</u>: The applicant understands and agrees that, if the Project receives any Financial Assistance from the Agency, the applicant agrees to file, or cause to be filed, with the Agency, on an annual basis, reports regarding the number of people employed at the project site.

G. <u>Absence of Conflicts of Interest</u>: The applicant has received from the Agency a list of the members, officers and employees of the Agency. No member, officer or employee of the Agency has an interest, whether direct or indirect, in any transaction contemplated by this Application, except as hereinafter described:

(Applicant) BY: Justin JOHN F. LOONAN PRESIDENT. FRUIL

NOTE: APPLICANT MUST ALSO COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE VERIFICATION APPEARING ON PAGES 29 THROUGH 33 HEREOF BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC <u>AND</u> MUST SIGN AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT APPEARING ON PAGE 22

VERIFICATION

(If Applicant is a Corporation)

(Title)

STATE OF <u>New Yor</u>k COUNTY OF <u>Albany</u>

JOHN F. LOONAN deposes and says that he is the (Name of chief executive of applicant) of FULLER ROAD MANADEMENT CORDONATION PRESIDENT

(Company Name)

)) SS.:

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the corporation named in the attached application; that he has read the foregoing application and knows the contents thereof; and that the same is true and complete and accurate to the best of his knowledge. Deponent further says that the reason this verification is made by the deponent and not by said company is because the said company is a corporation. The grounds of deponent's belief relative to all matters in the said application which are not stated upon his own personal knowledge are investigations which deponent has caused to be made concerning the subject matter of this application as well as information acquired by deponent in the course of his duties as an officer of and from the books and papers of said corporation.

(officer of applicant)

Sworn to before me this 15 day of April, 2013

(Notary Public)

Jeraldine Lake Notary Public State of New York Reg. No. 4918513 Expires Feb. 1 20_14

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Applicant hereby releases City of Albany Industrial Development Agency and the members, officers, servants, agents and employees thereof (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Agency") from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency harmless from and against any and all liability arising from or expense incurred by (i) the Agency's examination and processing of, and action pursuant to or upon, the attached Application, regardless of whether or not the application or the project described therein or the issue of bonds requested therein are favorably acted upon by the Agency, and (ii) the Agency's financing of the Project described therein; including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all causes of action and attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. If, for any reason, the Applicant fails to conclude or consummate necessary negotiations, or fails, within a reasonable or specified period of time, to take reasonable, proper or requested action, or withdraws, abandons, cancels or neglects the Application, or if the Agency or the Applicant are unable to find buyers willing to purchase the total bond issue requested, then, and in that event, upon presentation of an invoice itemizing the same, the Applicant shall pay to the Agency, its agents or assigns, all actual costs incurred by the Agency in the processing of the Application, including attorneys' fees, if any.

(Applicant)

PRESIDENT, FRMC BY:

Sworn to before me this <u>5</u> day of <u>April</u>, 20<u>/</u>3

Notary Public)

Jeraldine Lake Notary Public State of New York Reg. No. 4918513 Expires Feb. 1 2014.

TO:	Project Applicants
FROM:	City of Albany Industrial Development Agency
RE:	Cost/Benefit Analysis

In order for the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") to prepare a Cost/Benefit Analysis for a proposed project (the "Project"), the Applicant must answer the questions contained in this Project Questionnaire (the "Questionnaire") and complete the attached Schedules. This Questionnaire and the attached Schedule will provide information regarding various aspects of the Project, and the costs and benefits associated therewith.

Since we need this Questionnaire to be completed before we can finalize the Cost/Benefit Analysis, please complete this Questionnaire and forward it to us at your earliest convenience.

PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

1.	Name of Project Beneficiary ("Company"):	
2.	Brief Identification of the Project:	
3.	Estimated Amount of Project Benefits Sought:	
	A. Amount of Bonds Sought:	\$ 0
	B. Value of Sales Tax Exemption Sought	\$ 270,000
-	C. Value of Real Property Tax Exemption Sought	\$ 75,750
	D. Value of Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption Sought	\$ 75,000

PROJECTED PROJECT INVESTMENT

A.	Land-Related Costs		
1.	Land acquisition	\$	1,000,000
2.	Site preparation	\$	
3.	Landscaping	\$	
4.	Utilities and infrastructure development	\$	
5.	Access roads and parking development	\$	
6.	Other land-related costs (describe)	\$	
B.	Building-Related Costs (**)		
1.	Acquisition of existing structures	\$	2,000,000
2.	Renovation of existing structures	\$	4,000,000
3.	New construction costs	\$	
4.	Electrical systems	\$	
5.	Heating, ventilation and air conditioning	\$	1,750,000
6.	Plumbing	\$	
01	Other building-related costs (describe)	\$	1,000,000

C.	Machinery and Equipment Costs (***)	N/A
1.	Production and process equipment	\$
2.	Packaging equipment	\$
3.	Warehousing equipment	\$
4.	Installation costs for various equipment	\$
5.	Other equipment-related costs (describe)	\$
D.	Furniture and Fixture Costs (***)	
1.	Office furniture	\$
2.	Office equipment	\$
3.	Computers	\$
4.	Other furniture-related costs (describe)	\$
E.	Working Capital Costs	
1.	Operation costs	\$
2.	Production costs	\$
3.	Raw materials	\$
4.	Debt service	\$
5.	Relocation costs	\$
6.	Skills training	\$
7.	Other working capital-related costs (describe)	\$
F.	Professional Service Costs	
1.	Architecture and engineering	\$ 250,000
2.	Accounting/legal	\$ 0
3.	Other service-related costs (describe)	\$ 00
G.	Other Costs	
1.		\$
2.		\$
Η,	Summary of Expenditures	
1.	Total Land-Related Costs	\$ 1,000,000
2.	Total Building-Related Costs	\$ 8,750,000
3.	Total Machinery and Equipment Costs	\$ 0
4.	Total Furniture and Fixture Costs	\$ 0
5.	Total Working Capital Costs	\$ 0
6.	Total Professional Service Costs	\$ 250,000
7.	Total Other Costs	\$

**Includes the acquisition and installation therein and thereon related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property

***Any applicable associated costs in these categories are accounted for in the "Building Related Costs"

PROJECTED PROFIT

I. Please provide projected profit as defined by earnings after income tax but before depreciation and amortization:

YEAR	Without IDA benefits (*)	With IDA benefits (*)
1	TBD	TBD
2	TBD	TBD
3	TBD	TBD
4	TBD	TBD
5	TBD	TBD
6	TBD	TBD
7	TBD	TBD
8	TBD	TBD
9	TBD	TBD
10	TBD	TBD
11	TBD	TBD
12	TBD	TBD
13	TBD	TBD
14	TBD	TBD
15	TBD	TBD

(*) To Be Determined with information to be provided shortly.

PROJECTED CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates of total construction jobs and the total annual wages and benefits of construction jobs at the Project

Year	Number of Construction Jobs (*)	Total Annual Wages and Benefits	Estimated Additional NYS Income Tax
Current Year			
Year 1	10	\$750,000	\$40,000
Year 2	10	\$750,000	\$40,000
Year 3	10	\$750,000	\$40,000
Year 4	10	\$750,000	\$40,000
Year 5	10	\$750,000	\$40,000

(*): Construction employment will result from fit-up of the building for multiple tenants as they are identified as well as repairs and maintenance as the buildings systems are reaching the end of their useful lives.

PROJECTED PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates of total number of existing permanent jobs to be preserved or retained as a result of the Project:

Year	Professional	Skilled	Semi-Skilled	Unskilled
Current Year				
Year 1	20			
Year 2	20			
Year 3	20			
Year 4	20			
Year 5	20			
Total Retained	100			

II. Please provide estimates of total new permanent jobs to be created at the Project:

Year	Professional	Skilled	Semi-Skilled	Unskilled
Current Year				
Year 1	30			
Year 2	30			
Year 3	30			
Year 4	30			
Year 5	30			
Total Created	150			

- III. Please provide estimates for the following:
 - A. Creation of New Job Skills relating to permanent jobs. Please complete Schedule A.

The SCiTI Center Project will serve as the catalyst to locate high tech growth companies in downtown Albany by providing class B office space and data center operations creating a physical "Center" to the redevelopment of downtown Albany by: 1) hosting the entire food-chain of SCiTI companies including the back-office support for the nano-device companies with R&D operations at CNSE's NanoTech complex; 2) providing a central headquarters and demonstration control room for the SCiTI program operations including management and monitoring of the smart cities technology test-beds; 3) supporting workforce training, community engagement and economic outreach, etc.; 4) offering high tech companies the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center; and, 5) branding the City of Albany as the nation's most progressive, sustainable, smart technology living destination.

Initially, the SCiTI Center project anticipates creating and retaining 250 professional permanent full time positions located within the Kiernan Plaza structure. Such jobs will predominately be executive management and administrative support positions targeting three strategic groups important to establishing a vibrant eco-system of Smart City Technology companies. Specifically, the project anticipates attracting: 1) architectural, engineering, design and construction management related to the installation Smart City Technologies in buildings, roadways, water treatment systems, etc.;, 2) nanoelectronics, clean energy and smart systems research and development companies seeking back office support for their activities underway at the CNSE Albany NanoTech campus; and, 3) Smart City Technology system integration companies (aerospace, defense, information technology, could, etc.) that includes information technology, finance and related supporting services. Over the longer term, the project seeks to establish testbed demonstrations of next SCT solutions within the City of Albany creating opportunities for hands-on training and potential employment of skilled and semi-skilled employment over the next 15 years.

IV. Provide the projected percentage of employment that would be filled by City of Albany residents: 50%

A. Provide a brief description of how the project expects to meet this percentage:

With the recent development of high end residential projects in the downtown section of Albany, the SCiTI Project seeks to offer CNSE's high tech corporate partners the opportunity to live and work in a downtown urban center in close proximity to the cultural and entertainment venues. With completion of the traffic circles on Fuller Road, the CNSE Albany NanoTech complex is now located no more than 8 minutes and 8 miles from Kiernan Plaza. Such close proximity creates a unique opportunity to live and work in downtown Albany.

PROJECTED OPERATING IMPACT

I. Please provide estimates for the impact of Project operating purchases and sales: Project is expected to support multiple tenants in the service area.

There is the potential to host receptions in the large atrium for the many business and technology conferences hosted by CNSE and its industrial partners increasing demand for hotel occupancy located in downtown Albany. FRMC will explore the potential for limited food service to be located in or near the facility, but it should be noted that if such activity were to occur it would represent well below 33% of the total project. As such, the estimated additional purchases are conservatively estimated based upon expenditures from the professional full time employees that would be occupying the space but no estimate is provided for additional sales related to such catering services.

Additional Purchases (1 st year following project completion)	\$150,000
Additional Sales Tax Paid on Additional Purchases	\$12,000
Estimated Additional Sales (1 st full year following project completion)	\$
Estimated Additional Sales Tax to be collected on additional sales (1 st full year following project completion)	\$

II. Please provide estimates for the impact of Project on existing real property taxes and new payments in lieu of taxes ("Pilot Payments"):

Year	Existing Real	New Pilot	Total
1 Vui	Property Taxes (1)	Payments (2)	(Difference)
	(Without IDA involvement)	(With IDA)	
Current Year	255,453	255,453	0
Year 1	142,125	260,562	(118,437)
Year 2	169,128	265,773	(96,645)
Year 3	197,155	271,089	(73,933)
Year 4	226,236	276,511	(50,275)
Year 5	256,401	282,041	(25,640)
Year 6	287,682	287,682	0
Year 7	302,238	293,435	8,803
Year 8	317,262	299,304	17,958
Year 9	332,766	305,290	27,476
Year 10	348,763	311,396	37,367
Year 11	365,267	317,624	47,644
Year 12	382,292	323,976	58,316
Year 13	399,851	330,456	69,396
Year 14	417,960	337,065	80,896
Year 15	436,634	343,806	92,828
TOTAL	4,581,761	4,506,008	(75,753)

- (1) Assumes a 2% increase in tax rates on projected assessed values beginning in year 1 at estimated current fair market valuation of \$3,000,000 with assumed annual increases in assessed value of \$500,000 in years 1-5 rising to \$5,500,000 in year 6 and then rising to \$7,000,000 with annual 3% increase in assessed value of \$165,000 in years 6 15.
- (2) Assumes a 2% increase in tax rates on the fixed \$5,500,000 assessed value for the property.
- II. Please provide a brief description for the impact of other economic benefits expected to be produced as a result of the Project:

The SCiTI Center Project seeks to address a growing concern that high tech growth is not directly occurring in the region's downtown tri-cities.³ A recent Times Union article entitled, *"Taking Tech to Urban Centers: Can Region's Cities Get Slice of Tech Growth Seen in Suburbs"* highlights this growing concern. The SCiTI Center Project will focus public-private investment on addressing underutilized commercial space and dissinvestment in our urban center by leveraging CNSE's innovation and educational initiatives and partnerships in nanotechnology and smart city technologies to: 1) establish a strategic business attraction plan; 2) support community engagement and educational enrichment programs; and, 3) enable innovative economic outreach strategies to increase investment in surrounding properties, SCT test-bed projects, and nanotechnology and SCT educational programs.

³ Churchill, C. (2011, October 16). Taking Tech to Urban Centers: Can region's cities get slice of tech growth seen in suburbs?. Times Union.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that I have prepared the responses provided in this Questionnaire and that, to the best of my knowledge, such responses are true, correct and complete.

I understand that the foregoing information and attached documentation will be relied upon, and constitute inducement for, the Agency in providing financial assistance to the Project. I certify that I am familiar with the Project and am authorized by the Company to provide the foregoing information, and such information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further agree that I will advise the Agency of any changes in such information, and will answer any further questions regarding the Project prior to the closing.

Date Signed: <u>April</u> 15, 20017

Name of Person Completing Project Questionnaire on behalf of the Company.

Name: JOHN F. LOONAN
Title: PREGIDENT, FRMC Phone Number: 518-956-7359
Phone Number: 518-956-7359
Address: 257 FULLER RD
ALBANY NY 12203
Signature: Ju Tu

SCHEDULE A

CREATION OF NEW JOB SKILLS

Please list the projected new job skills for the new permanent jobs to be created at the Project as a result of the undertaking of the Project by the Company.

It is anticipated that the project will attract Smart Cities Technology companies as they are identified, back office operations of nanoelectroncis companies working in collaborative R&D programs at the NanoCollege, and related administrative support operation companies. As such, it is difficult to determine the specific job skills associated with include architecture, engineering, systems analysis, administrative, and operations personnel.

New Job Skills	Number of Positions Created	Wage Rate
Executive Management	50	125,000 +
Engineering & Design	50	75,000 - 125,000
Accounting & Finance	50	50,000 - 100,000
Business Administration	50	50,000 - 100,000
Administrative Support/Other	50	25,000 - 50,000
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Should you need additional space, please attach a separate sheet.





Rentable Spaces - Level 1		
DATA CENTER TENANT	9880 SF	
DATA CENTER SUPPORT	4492 SF	
SERVICE AREA	4666 SF	
	19038 SF	



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Rentable Spaces - Level 2	
TENANT 2-1	1509 SF
TENANT 2-2	1722 SF
TENANT 2-3	5331 SF
TENANT 2-4	1827 SF
TENANT 2-5	1827 SF
TENANT 2-6	4747 SF
	16963 SF



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Rentable Spaces - Level 3		
SHARED TENANT SPACE	4419 SF	
TENANT 3-1	4515 SF	
TENANT 3-1	4186 SF	
TENANT 3-2	4414 SF	
	17533 SF	



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Rentable Spaces - Level 4		
TENANT 4-1	8637 SF	
TENANT 4-2	8750 SF	
	17387 SF	



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S WORK COORDINATED BY AN INTERNATIONAL LAND SERVICES INC	This is to certify that this map or plat and the survey on which it is based were made in accordance with "Minimum Standard Detail Requirements for ALTA/ACSM Lend Title Surveys," jointly established and adopted by ALTA, ACSM and NSPS in 1999, and includes items 1 (except for states that require record monument platting), 2, 3, 4, 6, 7(a), 7(b)(1), 7(c), 8, 9, 10, 11(a) (as to utilities, surface matters only) 13, 14, and 16 of
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MEMO

TO:	City of Albany Finance Committee
FROM:	City of Albany Industrial Development Agency Staff
RE:	733 Broadway, LLC – Revised Request for Financial Assistance
DATE:	April 16, 2013

Given the feedback at the March Finance Committee meeting, the Applicant for the above mentioned project has amended its request for financial assistance – specifically the PILOT request:

Years 1-10	\$25,000/year
Years 11-15	\$45,000/year
Years 16-20	\$55,000/year
Years 21-25	\$65,000/year
Years 26-30	\$75,000/year
Years 31-40	\$125,000/year

Original Request

Amended Request

Years 1-10	\$47,000/year
Years 11-15	\$55,000/year
Years 16-20	\$65,000/year
Years 21-25	\$100,000/year
Years 26-30	\$125,000/year
Years 31-35	\$150,000/year
Years 36-40	\$200,000/year

Further information on the amended request for financial assistance is attached to this memo.

TO: City of Albany Industrial Development Finance Committee

FROM: City of Albany Industrial Development Agency Staff

RE: 733 Broadway, LLC - IDA Revised Application Summary

DATE: April 15, 2013

Applicant: 733 Broadway, LLC

Managing Members (% of Ownership): Norstar Investment USA, Inc. (80%) and Black Locust, LLC (20%)

Project Location: 733 Broadway

Project Description: The 1.3 +/- acre property was acquired by the Applicant back in 2004 with the intent of redeveloping it into a residential use. The Applicant first considered redeveloping the property into market-rate apartments, but that proved infeasible. The Applicant then proposed redeveloping the property into a new construction condominium project. The proposed condominium project, known as Capital Grand, included 122 units with supporting amenities. By late 2008, the Applicant had taken deposits on more than a third of the units when a serious contraction of the housing market and overall economic downturn occurred. Financing for projects like Capital Grand dried up as financial institutions deemed them to be riskier and less attractive in such a market. Since that time, the existing building has sat mostly empty with offices for Norstar Development USA., L.P. occupying a portion of the first floor. The Applicant continued to evaluate both the user demand and lending markets for new opportunities to redevelop the property.

The Applicant proposes demolishing the existing 45,000 sq.ft. building and constructing a new 70 unit, 81,080 sq.ft. market rate apartment building. The building will include (3) studio/ 1 bath units, (42) forty-two1 bedroom/ 1 bath units, (19) nineteen 2 bedroom/ 2 bath units and (6) 3 bedroom/ 2 bath units. The average rent is \$1.49 per square foot with per unit month rents ranging from \$850 to \$1,850 per month. Each unit will be equipped with a washer and a dryer. In addition to the apartments, the project includes a small rental office, community room/ kitchenette, fitness room, storage, and swipe card system for security. The project also includes 70 secured surface parking spaces made possible by the proposed acquisition of the Jackson Street right-of-way.

Estimated Project Cost: \$13,977,386 (estimated amount spent to date \$875,000)

Type of Financing: Straight Lease

Amount of Bonds Requested: None

Estimated Total Purchases Exempt from Sales Tax: \$4,000,000

Estimated Total Mortgage Amount: \$11,199,600

Current Total Assessment: \$1,000,000 (will be reduced to approximately \$537,100 upon demolition of existing building per discussion with Commissioner of Assessment & Taxation)

Estimated Improved Total Assessment:

- See attached PILOT analysis for more detail:
 - \$7,000,000 or \$100,000 per unit (per discussion with Commissioner of Assessment & Taxation)
 - \$3,010,000 or \$43,000 per unit (per independent HUD Appraiser)

Requested PILOT: A 40 year a graduated fixed PILOT payment:

Years 1-10	\$47,000/year
Years 11-15	\$55,000/year
Years 16-20	\$65,000/year
Years 21-25	\$100,000/year
Years 26-30	\$125,000/year
Years 31-35	\$150,000/year
Years 36-40	\$200,000/year

Full assessment will be paid in Year 41 and every year thereafter.

Estimated Value of Total PILOT Payments:

• Total PILOT Payments: \$3,945,000 (Over a 40 year PILOT period)

Estimated Value of Tax Exemptions:

- NYS Sales and Compensating Use Tax: \$320,000
- Mortgage Recording Taxes: \$139,995
- Real Property Taxes (See attached PILOT analysis for more detail):
 - \$16,106,100 if City of Albany Assessor's assessment assumptions used; <u>OR</u>
 - \$3,605,248 if independent HUD Appraiser's assessment assumptions used
- Other: N/A

Employment Impact:

- Projected Permanent: (1.5) new FTEs
 - (1) full-time manager and (1) part-time maintenance employee
- Projected Construction: (50) jobs

Strategic Initiatives:

- Albany 2030 The project will further the plan's vision by:
 - Targeting a blighting influence.
 - Encouraging investment in urban land for a downtown housing opportunity through the redevelopment of an underutilized property.

- Adding to the mixed-income, market rate housing options downtown.
- Increasing the available intergenerational/ life-cycle housing options that will help meet the needs of all age groups.
- Providing new investment that will further the image of downtown as a safe, livable place with walkable streets, housing choices, mixed-use environment.
- Reinforcing, enhancing, and likely promoting, through marketing associated with leasing, Albany's distinctive character and identity.
- Strengthening downtown's attractiveness as commercial center by increasing the consumer base goods and services.

Planning Board Actions:

- Issued a <u>Negative Declaration</u> for this <u>Unlisted Action</u> as per the provisions of SEQR on 12/20/12.
- Approved the demolition on 12/20/12 with the following conditions:
 - A minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of construction and demolition debris generated from demolition shall be diverted from disposal to landfills through recycling, reuse and diversion programs.
- \circ Approved the site plan on 12/20/12 with the following conditions:
 - The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and water/ sewer service connections shall be approved by Department of Water & Water Supply.
 - The applicant shall complete the purchase of the Jackson Street right-of-way and fully incorporate this area into building site as proposed; the land should be merged into existing tax parcel #65.83-1-32.
 - An agreement shall be put into place providing for continued access to all underand above-ground utilities or other City, County and private infrastructure within the discontinued Jackson Street right-of-way.

Estimated IDA Fee

• Fee amount: \$139,774

Mission

• The purpose of the Industrial Development Agency is to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities. The Agency aims to protect and promote the health of the inhabitants of the City of Albany by the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural and cultural or historic resources and environment and to control land, sewer, water, air, noise or general environmental pollution derived from the operation of industrial development.

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	County Tax	School Tax	(5)	Current	(7)	Base	Total Improved	Tax w/o	PILOT	(43)		(10)	(44)	(47)
PILOT Year	Year	Year	Tax Rate ⁽⁵⁾	Assessment ⁽⁶⁾	Current Tax ⁽⁷⁾	Assessment ⁽⁸⁾	Assessment ⁽⁹⁾	PILOT ⁽¹⁰⁾	Payment ⁽¹¹⁾	Abatement (12)		Tax w/o PILOT ⁽¹⁰⁾	PILOT Payment ⁽¹¹⁾	Abatement (13)
Interim ⁽¹⁾	2012	2011/2012	\$45.581500	\$1,000,000	\$45,582	\$537,100	\$1,000,000	\$45,582	-	-		\$45,582	-	
Interim ⁽¹⁾	2013	2012/2013	\$46.493130	\$1,000,000	\$46,493	\$537,100	\$1,000,000	\$46,493	-	-		\$46,493	-	
1 ⁽²⁾	2014	2013/2014	\$47.422993	\$1,000,000	\$47,423	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$331,961	\$47,000	\$284,961		\$125,000	\$47,000	\$78,00
2	2015	2014/2015	\$48.371452	\$1,000,000	\$48,371	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$338,600	\$47,000	\$291,600		\$127,500	\$47,000	\$80,50
3	2016	2015/2016	\$49.338882	\$1,000,000	\$49,339	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$345,372	\$47,000	\$298,372		\$130,050	\$47,000	\$83,05
4	2017	2016/2017	\$50.325659	\$1,000,000	\$50,326	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$352,280	\$47,000	\$305,280		\$132,651	\$47,000	\$85,65
5	2018	2017/2018	\$51.332172	\$1,000,000	\$51,332	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$359,325	\$47,000	\$312,325		\$135,304	\$47,000	\$88,30
6	2019	2018/2019	\$52.358816	\$1,000,000	\$52,359	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$366,512	\$47,000	\$319,512		\$138,010	\$47,000	\$91,01
7	2020	2019/2020	\$53.405992	\$1,000,000	\$53,406	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$373,842	\$47,000	\$326,842		\$140,770	\$47,000	\$93,77
8	2021	2020/2021	\$54.474112	\$1,000,000	\$54,474	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$381,319	\$47,000	\$334,319		\$143,586	\$47,000	\$96,58
5	2022	2021/2022	\$55.563594	\$1,000,000	\$55,564	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$388,945	\$47,000	\$341,945		\$146,457	\$47,000	\$99,45
10 11	2023 2024	2022/2023 2023/2024	\$56.674866	\$1,000,000	\$56,675	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$396,724	\$47,000	\$349,724		\$149,387	\$47,000	\$102,38
11			\$57.808363	\$1,000,000	\$57,808	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$404,659	\$55,000	\$349,659		\$152,374	\$55,000	\$97,37
12	2025 2026	2024/2025 2025/2026	\$58.964531 \$60.143821	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$58,965 \$60,144	\$537,100 \$537,100	\$7,000,000 \$7,000,000	\$412,752 \$421,007	\$55,000 \$55,000	\$357,752 \$366,007	1	\$155,422 \$158,530	\$55,000 \$55,000	\$100,42 \$103,53
13	2026	2025/2026	\$61.346698	\$1,000,000	\$61,347	\$537,100 \$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$421,007 \$429,427	\$55,000	\$374,427	1	\$158,530 \$161,701	\$55,000	\$103,53
14	2027	2026/2027 2027/2028	\$62.573632	\$1,000,000	\$62,574	\$537,100 \$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$429,427 \$438,015	\$55,000	\$374,427 \$383,015	1	\$164,935	\$55,000	\$106,70
15	2028	2027/2028	\$63.825104	\$1,000,000	\$63,825	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$436,015	\$55,000	\$381,776		\$168,234	\$65,000	\$103,23
16	2029	2028/2029 2029/2030	\$65.101606	\$1,000,000	\$65,102	\$537,100 \$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$446,776 \$455,711	\$65,000	\$390,711		\$108,234 \$171,598	\$65,000	\$103,23
17	2030	2029/2030 2030/2031	\$66.403638	\$1,000,000	\$65,102	\$537,100 \$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$455,711 \$464,825	\$65,000	\$399,825	1	\$175,030	\$65,000	\$106,59
10	2031	2030/2031	\$67.731711	\$1,000,000	\$67,732	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$474,122	\$65,000	\$409,122		\$178,531	\$65,000	\$113,53
20	2032	2032/2032	\$69.086345	\$1,000,000	\$69,086	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$483,604	\$65,000	\$418,604		\$182,101	\$65,000	\$117,10
20	2033	2032/2033	\$70.468072	\$1,000,000	\$70,468	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$493,277	\$100,000	\$393,277		\$185,743	\$100,000	\$85,743
22	2034	2033/2034	\$71.877434	\$1,000,000	\$71,877	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$503,142	\$100,000	\$403,142		\$189,458	\$100,000	\$89,458
23	2036	2035/2036	\$73.314982	\$1,000,000	\$73,315	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$513,205	\$100,000	\$413,205		\$193,247	\$100,000	\$93,24
24	2037	2036/2037	\$74.781282	\$1,000,000	\$74,781	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$523,469	\$100,000	\$423,469		\$197,112	\$100,000	\$97,11
25	2038	2037/2038	\$76.276908	\$1,000,000	\$76,277	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$533,938	\$100,000	\$433,938		\$201,055	\$100,000	\$101,05
26	2039	2038/2039	\$77.802446	\$1,000,000	\$77,802	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$544,617	\$125,000	\$419,617		\$205,076	\$125,000	\$80,070
27	2040	2039/2040	\$79.358495	\$1,000,000	\$79,358	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$555,509	\$125,000	\$430,509		\$209,177	\$125,000	\$84,177
28	2041	2040/2041	\$80.945665	\$1,000,000	\$80,946	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$566,620	\$125,000	\$441,620		\$213,361	\$125,000	\$88,361
29	2042	2041/2042	\$82.564578	\$1,000,000	\$82,565	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$577,952	\$125,000	\$452,952		\$217,628	\$125,000	\$92,628
30	2043	2042/2043	\$84.215870	\$1,000,000	\$84,216	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$589,511	\$125,000	\$464,511		\$221,981	\$125,000	\$96,981
31	2044	2043/2044	\$85.900187	\$1,000,000	\$85,900	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$601,301	\$150,000	\$451,301		\$226,420	\$150,000	\$76,420
32	2045	2044/2045	\$87.618191	\$1,000,000	\$87,618	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$613,327	\$150,000	\$463,327		\$230,949	\$150,000	\$80,949
33	2046	2045/2046	\$89.370555	\$1,000,000	\$89,371	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$625,594	\$150,000	\$475,594		\$235,568	\$150,000	\$85,568
34	2047	2046/2047	\$91.157966	\$1,000,000	\$91,158	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$638,106	\$150,000	\$488,106		\$240,279	\$150,000	\$90,279
35	2048	2047/2048	\$92.981125	\$1,000,000	\$92,981	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$650,868	\$150,000	\$500,868		\$245,085	\$150,000	\$95,08
36	2049	2048/2049	\$94.840747	\$1,000,000	\$94,841	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$663,885	\$200,000	\$463,885		\$249,986	\$200,000	\$49,986
37	2050	2049/2050	\$96.737562	\$1,000,000	\$96,738	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$677,163	\$200,000	\$477,163		\$254,986	\$200,000	\$54,986
38	2051	2050/2051	\$98.672314	\$1,000,000	\$98,672	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$690,706	\$200,000	\$490,706		\$260,086	\$200,000	\$60,086
39	2052	2051/2052	\$100.645760	\$1,000,000	\$100,646	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$704,520	\$200,000	\$504,520		\$265,287	\$200,000	\$65,28
40 ⁽³⁾	2053	2052/2053	\$102.658675	\$1,000,000	\$102,659	\$537,100	\$7,000,000	\$718,611	\$200,000	\$518,611		\$270,593	\$200,000	\$70,593
Permanent ⁽⁴⁾	2054	2053/2054	\$104.711849	\$1,000,000	\$104,712	\$537,101	\$7,000,000	\$732,983	-	-		\$276,005	-	
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733 BROADWAY



TO: Albany Industrial Development Agency Board Members Mr. Michael Yevoli, Executive Director of the Albany Industrial Development Agency

FROM: Lori Harris

RE: Amended PILOT Request

DATE: April 15, 2013

At the March CAIDA Finance Committee, Norstar was provided the opportunity to discuss the proposed 733 Broadway project with those members present. We greatly appreciate the insight that was provided, and we have amended the PILOT request based upon the feedback received from the discussion. The request has been amended as follows:

Original Request

Years 1 – 10: \$25,000/year Years 11 – 15: \$45,000/year Years 16 – 20: \$55,000/year Years 21 -25: \$65,000/year Years 26 – 30: \$75,000/year Years 31 – 40: \$125,000/year

Amended Request:

Years 1 – 10: \$47,000/year Years 11 – 15: \$55,000/year Years 16 – 20: \$65,000/year Years 21 – 25: \$100,000/year Years 26 – 30: \$125,000/year Years 31 -35: \$150,000/year Years 36 -40: \$200,000/year

Attached please find a revised request that attempts to respond to this issues raised including:

- Property taxes collected in initial years In the initial request, the proposed PILOT would have decreased the amount of taxes currently being collected from the site. The amended PILOT request proposes to begin annual payments at \$47,000 – current taxes are \$45,580. In years 1 – 10, the request was changed from \$25,000 per year to \$47,000.
- Property taxes collected over term of PILOT in the initial PILOT request the payments to be collected by the City would have been \$2,700,000 or \$736,789 less than what the City would collected in real estate taxes without the project (assuming a 3% escalation). In the revised PILOT request, the proposed total PILOT payments would be \$3,945,000



or \$508,211 more than what the City would collect in real estate taxes without the project (again, assuming a 3% annual escalation).

3. Assessed Value of Project – The City Assessor's office is projecting the assessed value of the project to \$100,000 per unit producing real property taxes of \$338,502 in the first year after construction and more than \$25M over 40 years. The project appraisal, completed by the HUD-approved appraiser, projected the assessed value of the completed project to be \$43,000 per unit producing real property taxes of approximately \$125,000 per year or closer to \$9.4M over the 40 years vs. in excess of \$25M projected by the City Assessment office.

The revised PILOT request will reduce the HUD mortgage by approximately \$250,000 from \$10.6M to approximately \$10.34M. The loss of mortgage proceeds will be replaced by additional equity provided by Norstar.

Also, enclosed please find a revised operating proforma which includes the updated PILOT payment request.

Thank you for your consideration of the proposed project and the request for CAIDA assistance.

40 Year Analysis of amended PILOT - 733 Broadway

	Current Land & Building	1	atus Quo - taxes on Existing	Re	equested PILOT	-	Assessor Estimate for exes on new	Es tax	ppraiser timate of es on new project
Year	Value	Building		_	PILUT	project		project	
	Land =		45 500		47.000	4	220 502	4	135.000
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2		\$	46,947	\$	47,000	\$	348,657	\$	132,613
3	Building =	\$	48,356	\$	47,000	\$	359,117	\$ \$	132,613
4	\$ 462,900	\$	49,806	\$	47,000	\$	369,890		
5		\$	51,301	\$	47,000	\$	380,987	\$	140,689
6		\$	52,840	\$	47,000	\$	392,417	\$	144,909
7		\$	54,425	\$	47,000	\$	404,189	\$	149,257
8		\$	56,058	\$	47,000	\$	416,315	\$	153,734
9		\$	57,739	\$	47,000	\$	428,804	\$	158,346
10		\$	59,472	\$	47,000	\$	441,668	\$	163,097
11		\$	61,256	\$	55,000	\$	454,918	\$	167,990
12		\$	63,093	\$	55,000	\$	468,566	\$	173,029
13		\$	64,986	\$	55,000	\$	482,623	\$	178,220
14		\$	66,936	\$	55,000	\$	497,102	\$	183,567
15		\$	68,944	\$	55,000	\$	512,015	\$	189,074
16		\$	71,012	\$	65,000	\$	527,375	\$	194,746
17		\$	73,143	\$	65,000	\$	543,196	\$	200,588
18		\$	75,337	\$	65,000	\$	559,492	\$	206,606
19		\$	77,597	\$	65,000	\$	576,277	\$	212,804
20		\$	79,925	\$	65,000	\$	593,565	\$	219,188
21		\$	82,323	\$	100,000	\$	611,372	\$	225,764
22		\$	84,792	\$	100,000	\$	629,713	\$	232,537
23		\$	87,336	\$	100,000	\$	648,605	\$	239,513
24		\$	89,956	\$	100,000	\$	668,063	\$	246,698
25		\$	92,655	\$	100,000	\$	688,105	\$	254,099
26		\$	95,434	\$	125,000	\$	708,748	\$	261,722
		\$	98,297	\$	125,000	\$	730,010	\$	269,574
27		\$	101,246	\$	125,000	\$	751,911	\$	277,661
28		\$	101,240	\$	125,000	\$	774,468	\$	285,991
29		\$	104,284	⇒ \$	125,000	\$	797,702	\$	294,571
30							821,633	\$	303,408
31		\$	110,635	\$	150,000	\$	821,655	\$	312,510
32		\$	113,954	\$	150,000	\$		\$	321,885
33		\$	117,372	\$	150,000	\$	871,671		
34		\$	120,893	\$	150,000	\$	897,821	\$	331,542
35		\$	124,520	\$	150,000	\$	924,755	\$	341,488
36		\$	128,256	\$	200,000	\$	952,498	\$	351,733
37		\$	132,104	\$	200,000	\$	981,073	\$	362,285
38		\$	136,067	\$	200,000	\$	1,010,505	\$	373,153
39		\$	140,149	\$	200,000	\$	1,040,820	\$	384,348
40		\$	144,353	\$	200,000	\$	1,072,045	\$	395,878
TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$	3,436,789	\$:	3,945,000	\$	25,523,477	\$	9,425,157