PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

500 Seneca Street, LLC Project

Public Hearing to be held on January 8, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., at the Erie County Industrial Development Agency offices located at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203

ATTENDANCE

Kevin Hays, Savarino/500 Seneca, LLC Sam Savarino, Savarino/500 Seneca, LLC Craig Slater, 500 Seneca, LLC

Hearing Officer noted that no Members of the Public are in attendance.

<u>1. WELCOME: Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer.</u>

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 11:00 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am a Business Development Officer of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing.

2. PURPOSE: Purpose of the Hearing.

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: We are here to hold the public hearing on the 500 Seneca Street, LLC project. The transcript of this hearing will be reviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project. Notice of this hearing appeared in <u>The Buffalo News</u> on Thursday, December 26, 2013.

3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

Hearing Officer:The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) a 1.87+/- acre parcel
of land located at 500 Seneca Street in the City of Buffalo, Erie County,
New York (the "Land") together with an existing 324,000+/- SF building
thereon known as the historic F. N. Burt Company Factory (the "Existing
Improvements"), (ii) the construction and/or renovation, expansion,
upgrading and equipping of the Existing Improvements thereon into a
mixed-use project consisting of 191,794+/- SF of Class A office space,
20,000+/- SF of manufacturing, processing or distribution space,
10,000+/- SF of commercial space, and 102,225+/- SF of special use

office space, together with secured on-site parking (the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition and installation by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment," and collectively with the Land, the Existing Improvements and the Improvements, the "Facility").

The proposed financial assistance contemplated by the Agency includes sales and use tax exemption benefits and mortgage recording tax exemption benefits (in compliance with Agency's uniform tax exemption policy).

4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

Hearing Officer: All those in attendance are required to register by signing the sign-in sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. If you have a written comment to submit for the record, you may do so. Written comments may also be delivered to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203 until the comment period closes on January 28, 2014. There are no limitations on written comments.

<u>5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.</u>

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: If anyone is interested in making a comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep comments to 5 minutes, and if possible, 3 minutes.

The Hearing Officer calls on those who raise their hand.

Sam Savarino read from the attached letter forwarded to Mr. John Cappellino of the ECIDA on December 18, 2013.

⊠ <u>6. ADJOURNMENT</u>.

As there were no further comments, the Hearing Officer closed the public hearing at 11:15 a.m.

SIGN IN SHEET

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500 Seneca Street, LLC

Project Location: 500 Seneca Street, Buffalo, New York 14204

Company and/or Address	X box to speak comment
	Company and/or Address