

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED PROJECT
AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
RELATING THERETO

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a(2) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "Act") will be held by the County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 12th day of November, 2020 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in connection with the ERS Rouses Point LLC Project, described below. As a result of the (1) ban on large meetings or gatherings pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020, as supplemented, (2) ban on non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason pursuant to Executive Order 202.10 issued on March 23, 2020, as supplemented and (3) suspension of the Open Meetings Law relating to public hearings pursuant to Executive Order 202.15 issued on April 9, 2020, as supplemented, each as issued by Governor Cuomo in response to the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Public Hearing will be held electronically via webinar rather than in person. Members of the public may attend the Public Hearing by viewing and commenting on the Project and the benefits to be granted to ERS Rouses Point LLC, a New York State limited liability company (the "Company"), by the Agency during the Public Hearing by logging into the webinar via computer, tablet or smartphone at:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/532086933>

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United States: +1 (872) 240-3311
Access Code: 532-086-933

ERS Rouses Point LLC, a New York State limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in five (5) parcels of land containing approximately 80 acres located at 64 Maple Street and Academy Street (Tax Map Numbers 20.14-1-3.3, 20.14-1-3.1, 20.14-1-5, 20.14-1-27 and 20.14.1-28) in the Village of Rouses Point, Town of Champlain, Clinton County, New York (collectively, the "Land"), together with three (3) buildings located thereon containing in the aggregate approximately 233,876 square feet of space (collectively, the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, (3) the further construction on the Land of a rail spur and the making of other infrastructure improvements (collectively, the "Improvements") and (4) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility, the Improvements and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to constitute various manufacturing, warehouse, industrial and office space to be owned by the Company and leased to various tenants, and other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Agency is considering whether (A) to undertake the Project, and (B) to provide certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, including (1) exemption from mortgage recording taxes with respect to any documents, if any, recorded by the Agency with respect to the Project in the office of the County Clerk of Clinton County, New York or elsewhere, (2) exemption from deed transfer taxes on any real estate transfers, if any, with respect to the Project, (3) exemption from sales taxes relating to the

acquisition, construction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility, and (4) in the event that the Project Facility would be subject to real property taxation if owned by the Company but shall be deemed exempt from real property taxation due to the involvement of the Agency therewith, exemption from real property taxes (but not including special assessments and special ad valorem levies), if any, with respect to the Project Facility, subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility. If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency will follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(4) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

If the Agency determines to proceed with the Project, the Project Facility will be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed by the Agency and will be leased (with an obligation to purchase) or sold by the Agency to the Company or its designee pursuant to a project agreement (the "Agreement") requiring that the Company or its designee make certain payments to the Agency.

The Agency has not yet made a determination pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the "SEQR Act") regarding the potential environmental impact of the Project.

The Agency will at said time and place hear all persons with views on either the location and nature of the proposed Project, or the Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency in connection with the proposed Project. A copy of the Application filed by the Company with the Agency with respect to the Project, including an analysis of the estimated costs and benefits of the Project, is available for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the Agency.

Minutes of the Public Hearing will transcribed and posted on the Agency's website (www.clintoncountyida.com). Additional information can be obtained from, and written comments may be addressed to: Renee McFarlin, Executive Director, County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency, 137 Margaret Street, Suite 209, Plattsburgh, New York 12901; Telephone: (518) 565-4627 and electronically at Renee.McFarlin@clintoncountygov.com.

Dated: October 21, 2020.

COUNTY OF CLINTON INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

BY: Renee McFarlin
Renee McFarlin, Executive Director