

LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Upstate Empire State Development Corporation, a subsidiary of the New York State Urban Development Corporation, doing business as Empire State Development (“ESD” or the “Corporation”), pursuant to Section 16(2) of the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act (Chapter 174, Section 1, Laws of 1968, as amended) (the “Act”), has adopted a General Project Plan (the “Plan”) with respect to the Richardson Brands URB Capital Project (the “Project”), at the Directors' meeting on October 20, 2011. Copies of the Plan are available without charge to any person who shall make a request for the same at the office of the Corporation. The Corporation will file such Plan in the offices of the Montgomery County Clerk located at County Office Building, 64 Broadway #114, Fonda, NY 12068 and the Canajoharie Village Clerk at 75 Erie Boulevard, Canajoharie, NY 13317. A copy of the Plan is also on file at the principal office of the Corporation, 633 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017, and is available for inspection by the general public Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

The Project included the acquisition and relocation of Bodgon Reception Sticks and the construction of new candy line production areas utilizing existing square footage at the Canajoharie facility by Richardson Brands Company. Total Project costs are expected to be approximately \$6,002,409. ESD proposes to make a \$1,697,500 convertible loan to Richardson Brands Company to assist in the financing of the Project. The Project is expected to retain 143 jobs and create 70 jobs.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in accordance with Section 16(2) of the Act, a public hearing, open to all persons, will be held by the Corporation at the Village of Canajoharie Municipal Building at 75 Erie Boulevard, Canajoharie, NY 13317 on Thursday, November 10, 2011 from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. to consider the Plan.

DATED: Monday October 31, 2011
New York, New York
New York State Urban Development Corporation
By: Eileen McEvoy, Corporate Secretary