

## LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that 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 Universal Photonics & JH Rhodes Capital Project (the “Project”) on January 21, 2016. 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 Oneida County Clerk and the Vernon Village Clerk. 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 includes the acquisition and renovation of two facilities at 10 Ward St., Vernon, NY & 85 Jetson Lane, Central Islip, NY, the purchase and installation of machinery and equipment, and the relocation of 100 employees by JH Rhodes Company, Inc. Total Project costs are expected to be approximately \$12,245,529. ESD proposes to make a \$150,000 grant to JH Rhodes Company, Inc. to assist in the financing of the Project. The Project is expected to retain 100 jobs and create 30 jobs within 3 years after disbursement of the ESD funds.

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 Vernon Village Hall, 8 Ruth Street, Vernon, NY 13476 on Thursday, February 11, 2016 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM to consider the Plan.

DATED: January 29, 2016  
New York, New York  
New York State Urban Development Corporation

By: Eileen McEvoy, Corporate Secretary