State Environmental Quality Review NOTICE OF SEQR PUBLIC HEARING

Buffalo and Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation Infrastructure Master Plan for Advanced Manufacturing Park City of Lackawanna, Erie County, New York June 10, 2020

Pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act or SEQRA) of the Environmental Conservation Law, a public hearing will be conducted electronically, as hereinafter described, by the Buffalo and Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation (ILDC) on **June 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.** regarding the Proposed Action, as described below. Said public hearing, given the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis and related Executive Orders issued by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, will be conducted electronically as hereinafter described. **PLEASE NOTE the special hearing logistics and instructions included at the end of this notice**.

Name of Action: ILDC Advanced Manufacturing Park Infrastructure Master Plan

<u>Location of Action</u>: 2303 Hamburg Turnpike (west side), Lackawanna, Erie Co., NY (a portion of the former Bethlehem Steel site)

<u>SEQR Lead Agency</u>: Buffalo and Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation

Description of Action: The ILDC owns approximately 150 acres of real property located within the former Bethlehem Steel Site in Lackawanna, New York, and is currently in negotiations to purchase an additional 92 acre parcel of real property also located within the former Bethlehem Steel Site in Lackawanna, New York (collectively, the "Real Property"). The ILDC intends to implement the Infrastructure Master Plan in order to cause to have installed streets, water, sewer, stormwater management facilities and private utilities in support of future redevelopment of the Real Property for a mix of commercial, business, and light and medium intensity manufacturing facilities on individual development lots (the "Proposed Action"). The Proposed Action has been classified as a Type I action pursuant to SEQRA regulations indicating that its potential for environmental impacts should be evaluated under SEQRA. Thresholds and standards for future development are established to ensure that private development and state or municipal decisions proceed in accordance with the Master Plan.

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCT INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

<u>Distribution</u>: This Notice of SEQR Public Hearing and the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for the ILDC Advanced Manufacturing Park Infrastructure Master Plan is being circulated to the City of Lackawanna, NY State Department of Environmental Conservation (Central and Regional offices), Involved Agencies and any person who requests one. The DGEIS is available on the ILDC website:

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However, given the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis and related Executive Orders issued by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the ILDC will not be able to accommodate any in-person public attendance or participation at this hearing. Nonetheless, and in furtherance of the provisions pursuant to Part 617.9 and 617.12 of SEQRA permitting involved agencies, interested parties, and the public to review the DGEIS and the Proposed Action and to permit the ILDC to collect public comment, and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 220.15 issued on April 9, 2020, as amended from time to time, authorizing the conduct of public hearings through use of telephone conference, video conference and/or other similar service, the ILDC will livestream the Public Hearing at https://www.ecidany.com/streaming for those wishing to view the hearing. The ILDC will provide public access to provide oral comments during the Public Hearing at https://www.ecidany.com/public-comment-and-registration. If you would like to make oral comments at the Public Hearing, please register to do so no later than 12:00 p.m. on **June 26, 2020**. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the call to provide oral comments. Finally, the ILDC also encourages all interested parties to submit written comments on the DGEIS and the Proposed Action to the ILDC, which will all be included within the public hearing record. Any written comments may be sent on the ILDC's website, or mailed to the ILDC at 95 Perry Street-Suite 403, Buffalo, NY 14203 until the written comment period closes on July 9, 2020.

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