

NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

AND

275 OAK DRIVE LLC

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UNIFORM PROJECT AGREEMENT

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DATED AS OF JUNE 26, 2019

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THIS UNIFORM PROJECT AGREEMENT (hereinafter, the "Project Agreement"), is made as of the 26th day of June, 2019, by and between the NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, a corporate governmental agency constituting a body corporate and politic and a public benefit corporation of the State of New York, having an office at One West Street, Mineola, NY 11501 (the "Agency"), and 275 OAK DRIVE LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, having an office at 180 Michael Drive - STE 109A , Syosset, NY 11791 (the "Company").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 674 of the 1975 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 922 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act, as in effect as of the Closing Date (even date herewith), being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act), or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 6, 2008, the 275 Oak Drive LLC (the "Company") and Nestle Waters North America Inc. (the "Sublessee") (the Company and the Sublessee, collectively, the "Applicants") presented an application for financial assistance (as amended on October 14, 2008, the "Original Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Original Project") consisting, inter alia, of the following: (A) (1) acquisition of an interest in an approximately 3.56 acre parcel of land located at 275-280 Oak Drive, Syosset, New York (the "Land"), (2) renovations to an approximately 54,416 square foot existing building, together with related improvements, on the Land (collectively, the "Building") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Original Equipment"), all of the foregoing for use by the Sublessee as a zone sales headquarters and as a sales office for its home and office distribution business and as a distribution center (collectively, the "Original Project Facility"); (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 or partial exemptions from

sales and use taxes and real property taxes (but not including special assessments and ad valorem levies) (the "Original Financial Assistance"); (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company, the Sublessee, or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicants and agreed upon by the Agency; and (D) the sublease of the Project Facility by the Sublessee, or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicants and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the above referenced Original Project Facility was initially and is currently owned, operated and/or managed by the Applicant or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency. The Applicant received the 2008 Financial Assistance with respect to the 2008 Project Facility from the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Applicants presented an application for additional financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting, inter alia, of the following: (A)(1) retention of an interest in the Land, (2) renovations to the Building and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicants as a zone sales headquarters and as a sales office for its home and office distribution business and as a distribution center (collectively, the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain additional "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions or partial exemptions from sales and use taxes and real property taxes (but not including special assessments and ad valorem levies) (the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company, the Sublessee, or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicants and agreed upon by the Agency; and (D) the sublease of the Project Facility by the Sublessee, the Company or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicants and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on April 18, 2019 (the "Preliminary Inducement Resolution"), the Agency, following a review of the Application a, determined to take preliminary action toward the acquisition and straight leasing of the Project for the Company and made a determination to proceed with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act (the "Public Hearing") to hear all persons interested in the Project and the Financial Assistance contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on April 29, 2019 to the chief executive officer of Nassau County, New York and of each other affected tax jurisdiction within which the Project Facility is or is to be located; (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on April 29, 2019 in the Nassau edition of *Newsday*, a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the County of Nassau, New York; (C) caused the Public Hearing to be conducted on May 13, 2019, at 10:00 am., local time, at 59 Church Street, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York; and (D) caused a report of the Public Hearing (the "Report") to be prepared which fairly summarizes the views presented at the Public Hearing and distributed the Report to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Executive Director of the Agency caused notice of a meeting of the Agency (the "IDA Meeting") with respect to the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy and guidelines to be mailed on April 29, 2019 to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on May 16, 2019 and reviewed any written comments or correspondence regarding the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy and approved the proposed deviation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act"), and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (the "Regulations," and collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the appropriate personnel of the Agency reviewed the environmental assessment form and other materials submitted by the Company and made any necessary comments to the members of the Agency, and by resolution of the members of the Agency adopted on May 16, 2019, the Agency decided to conduct an uncoordinated review of the Project and determined that the Project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact and that an environmental impact statement will not be prepared; and

WHEREAS, by its Resolution, the Agency approved certain financial assistance for the benefit of the Company in connection with the Project certain benefits, exemptions and other financial assistance consisting of: (a) an exemption from all New York State and local sales and use tax for purchases and rentals related to the Project with respect to the qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Project Facility or used in the acquisition, construction or equipping of the Project Facility, (b) a partial additional abatement from real property taxes conferred through Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement, between the Agency and the Company originally dated as of December 1, 2008 as amended by a First Amendment to PILOT Agreement, dated as the date hereof (as amended, the "PILOT Agreement") dated as of even date herewith requiring the Company to make payments-in-lieu-of-taxes, as more particularly set forth therein ("PILOT Payments") for the benefit of each municipality and school district having taxing jurisdiction over the Project (collectively, the sales and use tax exemption benefit and the partial abatement from real property taxes benefit, are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Financial Assistance"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 859-a and 874 of the Act, the Agency requires, as a condition and as an inducement for it to provide any Financial Assistance, that the Company enter into this Project Agreement for the purposes of, among other things, to govern administration of and provide assurances with respect to the provision and recapture of said Financial Assistance upon the terms herein set forth; and

WHEREAS, this Project Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions under which Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Company; and

WHEREAS, no agency appointment in favor of the Company or any subagent thereof, nor any amount of Financial Assistance shall be provided to the Company by the Agency prior to the effective date of this Project Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency proposes to appoint the Company as agent of the Agency to undertake the retention, renovation, installation and equipping of the Project Facility and to continue to sublease the Project Facility to the Company, and the Company desires to act as agent of the Agency to undertake the acquisition, construction, renovation, installation and equipping of the Project Facility, to lease the Project Facility to the Agency and to sublease the Project Facility from the Agency, all pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein and in that certain Amended Sublease Agreement of even date herewith (as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time, the "Leaseback Agreement") between the Agency and the Company; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Agency have determined that (A) the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Company is necessary to induce the Company to proceed with the Project, and (B) there is a likelihood that the Project would not be undertaken but for the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency to the Company; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the PILOT Agreement, the Company has agreed to make certain payments in lieu of real property taxes with respect to the Premises, and such obligation is secured by an Amended Mortgage and Assignment of Leases and Rents dated as of June 26, 2019 (the "Amended PILOT Mortgage") from the Company and the Agency, as mortgagor, to the County of Nassau, as mortgagee (the "PILOT Mortgagee"), pursuant to which the Agency and the Company have granted a first lien mortgage on the Premises to the Amended PILOT Mortgagee; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants herein contained and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is mutually agreed as follows:

## ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Definitions of Terms. The words and terms as used in this Project shall have the same meanings as used in Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof, unless the context or use indicates another or different meaning or intent.

## ARTICLE II. REPRESENTATIONS AND COVENANTS

Section 2.1 Representations and Covenants of the Company. The Company makes the following representations and covenants in order to induce the Agency to proceed with the Project/Facility:

(a) The Company is a limited liability company formed in New York, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York, has the authority to enter into this Project Agreement, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Project Agreement.

(b) Neither the execution and delivery of this Project Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby nor the fulfillment of or compliance with



the provisions of this Project Agreement will conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound, or will constitute a default under any of the foregoing, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien of any nature upon any of the property of the Company under the terms of any such instrument or agreement.

(c) The Project Facility and the operation thereof will conform in all material respects with all applicable zoning, planning, and building laws and regulations of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Project Facility, and the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from any liability or expenses resulting from any failure by the Company to comply with the provisions of this subsection (c).

(d) There is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, public board or body pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company, to which the Company is a party, and in which an adverse result would in any way diminish or adversely impact on the Company's ability to fulfill its obligations under this Project Agreement.

(e) The Company covenants that the Project Facility will comply in all material respects with all environmental laws and regulations, and, except in compliance with environmental laws and regulations, (i) that no pollutants, contaminants, solid wastes, or toxic or hazardous substances will be stored, treated, generated, disposed of, or allowed to exist on the Project Facility except in compliance with all material applicable laws, (ii) that the Company will take all reasonable and prudent steps to prevent an unlawful release of hazardous substances onto the Project Facility or onto any other property, (iii) that no asbestos will be incorporated into or disposed of on the Project Facility, (iv) that no underground storage tanks will be located on the Project Facility, and (v) that no investigation, order, agreement, notice, demand or settlement with respect to any of the above is threatened, anticipated, or in existence. The Company upon receiving any information or notice contrary to the representations contained in this Section shall immediately notify the Agency in writing with full details regarding the same. The Company hereby releases the Agency from liability with respect to, and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Agency, its executive director, directors, members, officers, employees, agents (other than the Company), representatives, successors, and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, orders, liabilities, penalties, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) related in any way to any violation of the covenants or failure to be accurate of the representations contained in this Section. In the event the Agency in its reasonable discretion deems it necessary to perform due diligence with respect to any of the above, or to have an environmental audit performed with respect to the Project Facility, the Company agrees to pay the expenses of same to the Agency upon demand.

(f) Any personal property acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency shall be located in Nassau County, except for temporary periods during ordinary use.

(g) The Company hereby represents to the Agency that facilities and property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods and services to customers who personally visit the Project Facility will not constitute more than one-third (1/3) of the total costs of the Project Facility, except in accordance with New York General Municipal Law (the "GML") Section 862.

(h) The Company acknowledges and agrees that, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency shall not be liable, either directly or indirectly or contingently, upon any such contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase order in any manner and to any extent whatsoever (including payment or performance obligations), and the Company or the Sublessee shall be the sole party liable thereunder.

(i) The Company covenants and agrees that at all times, it will (i) maintain its existence and not dissolve, (ii) continue to be a limited liability company subject to service of process in the State and either organized under the laws of the State, or organized under the laws of any other state of the United States and duly qualified to do business in the State, (iii) not liquidate, wind-up or dissolve or otherwise sell, assign, or dispose of all or substantially all of its property, business or assets. This Project Agreement may not be assigned in whole or part without the prior written consent of the Agency.

(j) The Company confirms and acknowledges under the penalty of perjury that as of the date hereof, the Company, as owner, occupant, or operator of the Project receiving Financial Assistance from the Agency in connection with the Project, is in substantial compliance with all applicable local, state and federal tax, worker protection and environmental laws, rules and regulations. The Company agrees that it will, throughout the term of this Project Agreement, promptly comply in all material respects with all statutes, codes, laws, acts, ordinances, orders, judgments, decrees, injunctions, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations, directions and requirements of all federal, state, county, municipal and other governments, departments, commissions, boards, companies or associations insuring the premises, courts, authorities, officials and officers, foreseen or unforeseen, ordinary or extraordinary, which now or at any time hereafter may be applicable to the Project Facility or any part thereof, or to any use, manner of use or condition of the Project Facility or any part thereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may in good faith contest the validity of the applicability of any requirement of the nature referred to in this Section 2.1. In such event, the Company, with the prior written consent of the Agency (which shall not be unreasonably conditioned, delayed or withheld) may fail to comply with the requirement or requirements so contested during the period of such contest and any appeal therefrom unless the Agency shall notify the Company that it must comply with such requirement or requirements.

(k) The Project will not have a "significant adverse environmental impact" (as such term is used in SEQRA) and the Company hereby covenants to comply with all mitigating measures, requirements and conditions enumerated or referenced in the resolution adopted by the Agency on April 18, 2019 under SEQRA applicable to the acquisition, construction, renovation, installation, equipping and operation of the Project Facility contemplated by Section 4.1 of this Project Agreement and in any other approvals issued by any other Governmental Authority with respect to the Project Facility. No material changes with respect to any aspect of the Project have arisen from the date of the adoption of such resolution which would cause the determinations contained therein to be untrue.

(l) The Company is not a Prohibited Person, no Guarantor is a Prohibited Person, no Affiliate of the Company or any Guarantor is a Prohibited Person and no member, manager, director or shareholder of the Company or any Guarantor, as applicable, is a Prohibited Person.

(m) Neither this Project Agreement nor any other Transaction Document nor any other document, certificate, agreement or instrument furnished to the Agency by or on behalf of the Company or any Guarantor contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained herein and therein not misleading.

(n) No funds of the Agency shall be used in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Project Agreement for the purpose of preventing the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant or for the purpose of advertising or promotional materials which depict elected or appointed government officials in either print or electronic media, nor shall any funds of the Agency be given hereunder to any group or organization which is attempting to prevent the establishment of an industrial or manufacturing plant within the State.

(o) The Company is, and shall at all times during the term of this Project Agreement, continue to be managed and owned solely by 345 Underhill, L.L.C. (the "Initial Owner"); provided, however, that the Initial Owner may transfer all or any part of their interests in the Company to members of the respective immediate families (or trusts for the benefit or such immediate family members), and upon the Agency's written consent only, up to 49% ownership interest to unrelated parties, provided that no transfers permitted hereunder shall result in a change in the day-to-day control of the management and operations of the Company. The Project Facility is, and at all times during the term of this Project Agreement, continue to be occupied and managed by Nestle Waters North America Inc..

(p) The Company shall cause the Sublessee to, and the Sublessee shall maintain the Minimum Employment Requirement pursuant to the Leaseback Agreement.

(q) The Project Facility is located entirely within the boundaries of the Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, and is located only within the Syosset Central School District.

(r) The total cost of the Project is at least \$1,235,000.00.

(s) Neither the Company, nor any Guarantor, nor any Affiliate of the Company or any Guarantor has employed or retained any appointed or elected governmental official to solicit or secure the Agency's undertaking of the Project or its agreement to enter into this Project Agreement or any other Transaction Document upon an agreement of understanding for a commission or percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

### ARTICLE III. GENERAL

Section 3.1 Purpose of Project. The purpose of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project is to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of the Project Facility to advance job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Nassau County, New York, and to specifically promote the investment commitment, employment commitment, and other commitments of the Company contained herein and in the Application.



ARTICLE IV.  
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND RECAPTURE OF BENEFITS

Section 4.1 In accordance with the Resolution and the Cost-Benefit Analysis (or such other equivalent document or report, as determined by the Agency) (the "CBA"), attached hereto as Exhibit A, disclosed by the Agency at its public hearing for the Project (the "Public Hearing"), the Company further: (i) covenants, with respect to the Sales Tax Exemption, that it shall comply with this Project Agreement, specifically, but not limited to, Section 4.3 hereof; (ii) confirms that the Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption (as defined in Section 4.7 hereof) is not requested by the Company; and (iii) confirms that real property tax abatement to be provided to the Company shall conform to those disclosed within the CBA at the Public Hearing for the Project and as contained within the Amended PILOT Agreement, a form of which Amended PILOT Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 4.2 Amended PILOT Agreement. The parties hereto have executed or will execute the Leaseback Agreement and Amended PILOT Agreement. As provided in the Amended PILOT Agreement, the Company agrees to make PILOT Payments (in addition to paying all special ad valorem levies, special assessments or special district taxes and service charges) against real property in the jurisdiction where the Project Facility is located.

Section 4.3 Sales Tax Exemption.

(a) The Agency hereby appoints and confirms its appointment of the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency to undertake the Project. Such appointment was made by the Agency pursuant to the Resolution and this Project Agreement. The parties hereby acknowledge and agree that Sublessee shall be appointed as a Subagent (as hereinafter defined), shall be responsible for performing the entire Project and shall utilize the entire Sales Tax Exemption.

(b) The Company, as agent for the Agency, will undertake the Project. The Company hereby agrees to limit its activities as agent for the Agency under the authority of the Authorizing Resolution to acts reasonably related to the acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation and equipping of the Project Facility. The right of the Company to act as agent of the Agency shall expire on the earlier of (x) the completion of the Project, or (y) July 1, 2020 ("Termination Date"); provided, however, that the Agency may extend the Company's agent appointment at its discretion upon the written request of the Company if such activities and improvements are not completed by such time, and further provided that the Agency shall not unreasonably withhold its consent to the extension of such appointment.

(c) Agency's Exempt Status. The Agency constitutes a corporate governmental agency and a public benefit corporation under the laws of the State of New York, and therefore, in the exercise of its governmental functions, is exempt from the imposition of Sales and Use Taxes. As an exempt governmental entity, no exempt organization identification number has been issued to the Agency nor is one required. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Agency

makes no representation to the Company, any Agent or any third party that any Sales Tax Exemption is available under this Project Agreement.

(d) Scope of Authorization of Sales Tax Exemption. The Agency hereby authorizes the Company, subject to the terms and conditions of this Project Agreement, to act as its agent in connection with the Project Facility for the purpose of effecting purchases and leases of certain items so that such purchases and leases are exempt from the imposition of Sales and Use Taxes. The Agency's authorization with respect to such Sales Tax Exemption provided to the Company and its Agents pursuant to this Project Agreement shall be subject to the following limitations:

(i) The Sales Tax Exemption shall be effective only for a term commencing on the date hereof and expiring upon the earliest of (A) the termination of this Project Agreement, (B) the Termination Date, (C) failure of the Company to file Form ST-340, as described in Section 4.5(g) below, (D) the termination of the Sales Tax Exemption authorization pursuant to Section 4.6 or (E) the date upon which the Company received the Maximum Sales Tax Exemption.

(ii) The Sales Tax Exemption authorization set forth herein shall automatically be suspended upon written notice to the Company that the Company is in default under this Project Agreement (or related document) until such default is cured to the satisfaction of the Agency.

(iii) The Sales Tax Exemption authorization shall be subject to all of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Project Agreement.

(iv) The Sales Tax Exemption shall only be utilized for items which shall be purchased, incorporated, completed or installed for use only by the Company at the Facility the Project Facility or in connection with the Project (and not with any intention to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any such item to a Person as shall not constitute the Company), it being the intention of the Agency and the Company that the Sales Tax Exemption shall not be made available with respect to any item unless such item is used solely by the Company at the Project Facility or in connection with the Project.

(v) The Sales Tax Exemption shall not be used to benefit any person or entity, including any tenant or subtenant located at the Project Facility, other than the Company, without the prior written consent of the Agency.

(vi) By execution by the Company of this Project Agreement, the Company agrees to accept the terms hereof and represents and warrants to the Agency that the use of the Sales Tax Exemption by the Company or by any Agent is strictly for the purposes stated herein.

(vii) Upon the Termination Date, the Company and each Agent shall cease being agents of the Agency, and the Company shall immediately notify each Agent in writing of such termination.

(viii) The Company agrees that the aggregate amount of Sales Tax Exemption realized by the Company and by all Agents of the Company, if any, in connection with the Project Facility shall not exceed in the aggregate the Maximum Sales Tax Exemption.

Section 4.4      Procedures for Appointing Subagents. If the Company desires to seek the appointment of a contractor, a subcontractor or other party to act as the Agency's agent, including, but not limited, to Sublessee and the individuals and entities described on **Schedule B** attached hereto (a "Subagent") for the purpose of effecting purchases which are eligible for the Sales Tax Exemption pursuant to authority of this Project Agreement, it must complete the following steps:

(i) The Company shall have the right to amend **Schedule B** from time to time and shall solely be responsible for maintaining an accurate list of all parties acting as agent for the Agency. The Company's right to appoint subagents is expressly conditioned upon updating of **Schedule B** hereto, along with, for each Subagent, the Company must complete and submit Form ST-60 to the Agency, attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. An Authorized Representative of the Agency will sign the Form ST-60 and return the same to the Company. Following receipt of the signed Form ST-60, the Company must file such Form ST-60 within thirty (30) days of the date that the Agency appoints a project operator or other person or entity to act as agent of the Agency for purposes of extending a sales or use tax exemption to such person or entity. The Company acknowledges and agrees that it shall be the Company's sole and exclusive responsibility to file a completed Form ST-60 with respect to any Subagent and the failure to timely do so could result in an Event of Default and Recapture Event (as hereinafter defined).

(ii) The Company shall ensure that each Subagent shall observe and comply with the terms and conditions of this Project Agreement.

(iii) Form ST-60 Not an Exemption Certificate. The Company acknowledges that the executed Form ST-60 designating the Company or any Subagent as an agent of the Agency shall not serve as a sales or use tax exemption certificate or document. Neither the Company nor any other Agent may tender a copy of the executed Form ST-60 to any person required to collect sales tax as a basis to make such purchases exempt from tax. No such person required to collect sales or use taxes may accept the executed Form ST-60 in lieu of collecting any tax required to be collected. THE CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR MISUSE OF A COPY OF FORM ST-60 AS AN EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE OR DOCUMENT OR FOR FAILURE TO PAY OR COLLECT TAX SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE TAX LAW. IN ADDITION, THE USE BY A SUBAGENT, THE COMPANY, OR OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY OF SUCH FORM ST-60 AS AN EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE OR DOCUMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE, UNDER ARTICLES TWENTY EIGHT AND THIRTY SEVEN OF THE TAX LAW, THE ISSUANCE OF A FALSE OR FRAUDULENT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE OR DOCUMENT WITH THE INTENT TO EVADE TAX.

(iv) Form ST-123 Requirement. As an agent of the Agency, the Company agrees that it will, and will cause each Subagent to, present to each seller or vendor a completed and signed Form ST-123, attached hereto as Exhibit C-1, for each contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase order entered into by the Company or by any Subagent, as agent for the Agency, for the purpose of undertaking the Project. Form ST-123 requires that each seller or vendor accepting Form ST-123 identify the Project Facility on each bill or invoice for purchases and indicate on the bill or invoice that the Agency or Agent or Company, as project operator of the Agency, was the purchaser. For the purposes of indicating who the purchaser is, each bill or invoice should state,

"I, [NAME OF COMPANY OR SUBAGENT], certify that I am a duly appointed agent of the NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the 275 OAK DRIVE LLC / NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC., 2019 Project located at 275-280 Oak Street, Syosset, New York in the Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, IDA Project Number **2803-19-05A**".

For convenience purposes, in the instance where the vendor does not print on each invoice the acknowledgment as described in the prior sentence, an "Invoice Rider" (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C-3) can be utilized for record keeping purposes. The Company shall retain copies of all such contracts, agreements, invoices, bills and purchase orders for a period of not less than six (6) years from the date thereof. For each Subagent the Form ST-123 shall be completed as follows: (i) the "Project information" section of Form ST-123, attached hereto as Exhibit C-2, should be completed using the name and address of the Project Facility as indicated on the Form ST-60 used to appoint the Subagent; (ii) the date that the Subagent was appointed as indicated on the Form ST-60; and (iii) the "Exempt purchases" section of Form ST-123 should be completed by marking "X" in box "A" only.

All contracts entered into by the Company and all subagents thereof as agent for the Agency shall include the language contained within Schedule C attached hereto. **Failure by the Company and/or any subagent thereof to include such language may disqualify the agent status and sales tax exemptions derived by virtue of this Project Agreement. The Company, for itself and on behalf of all duly appointed subagents, hereby agrees that all contracts entered into by the Company and any subagents thereof shall be available to the Agency for inspection and confirmation of the foregoing mandatory language.**

Section 4.5 Form ST-340 Filing Requirement. The Company shall file annually a statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance (the "Commissioner") an "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D) regarding the value of Sales Tax Exemption the Company and its Subagents, if any, have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company with respect to the Project in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 874(8). On or before February 10<sup>th</sup> of each year, the Company shall provide a copy of same to the Agency. The Company



understands and agrees that the failure to file such annual statement will result in the removal of the Company's authority to act as agent for the Agency and/or Recapture of Agency Benefits as described in Section 4.8 hereof.

Section 4.6      GML Provisions Relating to State Sales Tax Savings.

(a) The Company covenants and agrees to comply, and to cause each of its contractors, subcontractors, Subagents, persons or entities to comply, with the requirements of GML Sections 875(1) and (3) (the "GML Provisions"), as such provisions may be amended from time to time. In the event of a conflict between the other provisions of this Project Agreement and the GML Provisions, the GML Provisions shall control.

(b) The Company acknowledges and agrees that pursuant to GML Section 875(3), the Agency shall have the right to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain from the Company, State Sales Tax Savings taken or purported to be taken by the Company, any Subagent or any other person or entity acting on behalf of the Company to which the Company is not entitled or which are in excess of the Maximum Sales Tax Exemption or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where the Company, any Subagent or any other person or entity acting on behalf of the Company failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by this Project Agreement. The Company shall, and shall require each Subagent and any other person or entity acting on behalf of the Company, to cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State Sales Tax Savings and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Subagent that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Subagent shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State Sales and Use Taxes due from the Company under Article 28 of the New York State Tax Law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts.

Subject to the provisions of subsection (i) above, in the event that the Company or any Subagent shall utilize the Sales Tax Exemption in violation of the provisions of this Project Agreement, the Company shall promptly deliver notice of same to the Agency, and the Company shall, upon demand by the Agency, pay to or at the direction of the Agency a return of sales or use tax exemptions in an amount equal to all such unauthorized sales or use tax exemptions together with interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum compounded daily from the date and with respect to the dollar amount for which each such unauthorized sales or use tax exemption was availed of by the Company or any Subagent (as applicable).

(c) Upon request by the Agency with reasonable notice to the Company, the Company shall make available at reasonable times to the Agency and/or the Independent Accountant all such books, records, contracts, agreements, invoices, bills or purchase orders of the Company and any Agent, and require all appropriate officers and employees of the Company to respond to reasonable inquiries by the Agency and/or the Independent Accountant, as shall be necessary (y) to indicate in reasonable detail those costs for which the Company or any Agent shall have utilized the Sales Tax Exemption and the dates and amounts so utilized, and (z) to permit the Agency to determine any amounts owed by the Company under this Section 4.6(c).



Section 4.7      Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption.      Section 874 of the Act exempts the Agency from paying certain mortgage recording taxes except for the portion of the mortgage recording tax allocated to transportation districts referenced in Section 253(2)(a) of the Tax Law. The Company represents and warrants (1) that the real property secured by the Mortgage is located within a transportation district referenced in Section 253(2)(a) of the Tax Law, and (2) that upon recording the Mortgage, the Company shall pay the mortgage recording tax allocated to transportation districts referenced in Section 253(a)(2) of the Tax Law.

Section 4.8      Recapture of Agency Benefits.

(A) It is understood and agreed by the parties hereto that the Agency is entering into this Project Agreement in order to provide financial assistance to the Company for the Project Facility and to accomplish the public purposes of the Act. In consideration therefor, the Company hereby agrees that if there shall occur a Recapture Event (as defined below) after the date hereof, the Company shall pay to the Agency, or to the State of New York, if so directed by the Agency (except as otherwise specified below) as a return of public benefits conferred by the Agency in an amount as follows (such amount, the "Recapture of Benefits"):

(1)      one hundred percent (100%) of the Benefits (as defined below) if the Recapture Event occurs on or before the fifth (5th) anniversary of the Closing Date;

(2)      eighty percent (80%) of the Benefits if the Recapture Event occurs after the fifth (5th) anniversary of the Closing Date but on or before the sixth (6th) anniversary of the Closing Date;

(3)      sixty percent (60%) of the Benefits if the Recapture Event occurs after the sixth (6th) anniversary of the Closing Date but on or before the seventh (7th) anniversary of the Closing Date;

(4)      forty percent (40%) of the Benefits if the Recapture Event occurs after the seventh (7th) anniversary of the Closing Date but on or before the eighth (8th) anniversary of the Closing Date;

(5)      twenty percent (20%) of the Benefits if the Recapture Event occurs after the eighth (8th) anniversary of the Closing Date but on or before the ninth (9th) anniversary of the Closing Date;

(6)      ten percent (10%) of the Benefits if the Recapture Event occurs after the ninth (9th) anniversary of the Closing Date but on or before the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the Closing Date; or

(7)      zero percent (0%) of the Benefits thereafter.

(B) The term "Benefits" shall mean the Agency's calculation of the additional Financial Assistance only, consisting of:

(1) all real estate tax benefits which have accrued to the benefit of the Company during such time as the Agency held an interest in the Project Facility by reason of such

interest, such tax benefits to be computed by subtracting the payments in lieu of taxes paid under the Amended PILOT Agreement (through the date that the Project Facility is returned to the tax rolls as taxable property) from those payments which the Company would have been required to pay through such date had the Company been the owner of the Project Facility and the Agency not been involved in the Project and based on the records of the Nassau County Tax Assessor and any applicable village tax assessor, and treating any negative result as \$0; and

(2) all miscellaneous benefits derived from the Agency's participation in the transactions contemplated by this Lease, including, but not limited to, any exemption from mortgage recording taxes and any exemption from applicable sales and use taxes; provided, however, that the recapture of the value of any exemption from sales and/or use taxes shall be in the full amount of any exemption taken and shall not be subject to the scheduled percentage reduction set forth in Subsection (A) above.

(C) For the purposes of this Section 4.8 the term "Recapture Event" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events:

(1) Each of the Company or the Sublessee shall have liquidated its operations and/or assets except if the Company is substituted by a landlord with the Agency's written consent while the Sublessee continues its operations in conformity with the Transaction Documents; or

(2) The Company or the Sublessee shall have permanently ceased all or substantially all of its operations at the Project Facility (whether by closure or by relocation to another facility or otherwise, or whether to another facility either within or outside of the County) except if the Company is substituted by a landlord with the Agency's written consent while the Sublessee continues its operations in conformity with the Transaction Documents; or

(3) The transfer of all or substantially all of the employees engaged in the construction, renovation, maintenance or operation of the Project Facility to another location; or

(4) The occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default under this Project Agreement, the Leaseback Agreement or any other Transaction Document; or

(5) The occurrence and continuance of a substantial change in the scope and nature of the operations of the Project Facility without the prior written consent of the Agency; or

(6) The Company shall have sold, leased, subleased, Subleased, assigned, transferred or otherwise disposed of all or any part of its interest in the Project Facility in violation of this Project Agreement or the Lease Agreement; or

(7) The Sublessee fails to maintain or fails to cause to be maintained the Minimum Employment Requirement at any time during the term of this Project Agreement; or

(8) The Application, or documentation submitted by the Company or any Guarantor in support of the Application, contained a knowingly false or knowingly misleading statement as to any fact material to the Application or knowingly omitted any information which, if included, would have rendered any information in the Application or supporting documentation false or misleading in any material respect, and such false or misleading statement or omission was made knowingly and intentionally for the purpose of obtaining the Financial Assistance; or

(9) The Company receives Sales Tax Savings in connection with property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; or

(10) The Company receives Sales Tax Savings in connection with the Project in excess of the Maximum Sales Tax Exemption; provided, however, that the foregoing shall constitute a Recapture Event with respect to such excess Sales Tax Savings only. It is further provided that failure to repay the Sales Tax Savings within thirty (30) days shall constitute a Recapture Event with respect to all Recapture Benefits; or

(11) Failure of the Company to file a copy of the Form ST-340 with the Agency in compliance with Section 4.5 hereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Recapture Event shall not be deemed to have occurred if the Recapture Event shall have arisen as a direct, immediate result of (i) a Condemnation by governmental authority of all or substantially all of the Project Facility or any interest therein, or (ii) the inability at law of the Company to rebuild, repair, restore or replace the Project Facility after the occurrence of a casualty to substantially its condition prior to such casualty, which inability shall have arisen in good faith through no fault on the part of the Company.

(D) The Company covenants and agrees to furnish the Agency with written notification upon the occurrence of any Recapture Event, which notification shall set forth the terms of such Recapture Event as follows: In order to certify and verify the foregoing, the Company shall provide annually, to the Agency, a certified statement and documentation: (i) enumerating the full-time equivalent jobs retained and the full-time equivalent jobs created as a result of the financial assistance, by category, including full-time equivalent independent contractors or employees of independent contractors that work at the project location, (ii) indicating that the salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created that was provided in the application for Financial Assistance is still accurate and if it is not still accurate, providing a revised list of salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created, and (iii) such other information, as so requested from time to time, to enable the Agency to assess the progress of the Project toward achieving the investment, job retention, job creation, or other objectives of the Project indicated in the Application for Financial Assistance.

(E) In the event any payment owing by the Company under this Section shall not be paid on demand by the Agency, such payment shall bear interest from the date of such demand at an interest rate equal to ten percent (10%) per annum or the maximum lawful prevailing rate permitted by Applicable Law, whichever is less until the Company shall have

made such payment in full, together with such accrued interest to the date of payment, to the Agency (except as otherwise specified above).

(F) The Agency shall be entitled to deduct all reasonable out of pocket expenses of the Agency, including without limitation, reasonable legal fees, incurred with the recovery of all amounts due under this Section 4.8, from amounts received by the Agency pursuant to this Section 4.8.

## ARTICLE V. INSURANCE

Section 5.1        Insurance Required. During the term of this Project Agreement, the Company shall maintain insurance with respect to the Project Facility as required pursuant to Leaseback Agreement and particularly as set forth in Sections 6.3, 6.4 and 5.5 of the Leaseback Agreement.

## ARTICLE VI. EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

Section 6.1        The following shall each be "Events of Default" under this Project Agreement:

(a)        the failure by the Company to observe and perform any covenant contained in Sections 2.1(g), 2.1(i), 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.8 5.1, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.6 and 8.1;

(b)        the failure by the Company to pay the Recapture Benefits on the date due;

(c)        the occurrence and continuation of a Recapture Event;

(d)        The occurrence of an "Event of Default" under any other Transaction Document, which has not been cured within any applicable grace, notice or cure period; and

(e)        the dissolution or liquidation of the Company; or the failure by the Company to release, stay, discharge, lift or bond within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from the Agency of any execution, garnishment, judgment or attachment of such consequence as may impair its ability to carry on its operations; or the failure by the Company generally to pay its debts as they become due; or an assignment by the Company for the benefit of creditors; or the commencement by the Company (as the debtor) of a case in bankruptcy or any proceeding under any other insolvency law; or the commencement of a case in bankruptcy or any proceeding under any other insolvency law against the Company (as the debtor), wherein a court having jurisdiction in the premises enters a decree or order for relief against the Company as the debtor, or such case or proceeding is consented to by the Company or remains undismissed for forty (40) days, or the Company consents to or admits the material allegations against it in any such case or proceeding; or a trustee, receiver or agent (however named) is appointed or authorized to take charge of substantially all of the property of the Company for the purpose of enforcing a lien



against such Property or for the purpose of general administration of such Property for the benefit of creditors.

Section 6.2      Remedies on Default.

(a) Whenever any Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Agency may take, to the extent permitted by law, any one or more of the following remedial steps:

(i) declare, by written notice to the Company, to be immediately due and payable, whereupon the same shall become immediately due and payable: (A) all due and owing Recapture Benefits and (B) all other payments due under this Project Agreement (other than PILOT payments not currently due at such time); or

(ii) terminate this Project Agreement and the Sales Tax Exemption authorization; or

(iii) take any other action at law or in equity which may appear necessary or desirable to collect the payments then due or thereafter to become due hereunder, and to enforce the obligations, agreements and covenants of the Company under this Project Agreement.

(b) No action taken pursuant to this Section 6.2 (including termination of the Project Agreement) shall relieve the Company from its obligation to make all payments required by the Leaseback Agreement, the Amended PILOT Agreement or Recapture Benefits (other than PILOT payments not currently due at such time).

Section 6.3      Remedies Cumulative. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Agency is intended to be exclusive of any other available remedy, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other remedy given under this Project Agreement or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right and power or shall be construed to be a waiver thereof, but any such right or power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. In order to entitle the Agency to exercise any remedy reserved to it in this Article VI it shall not be necessary to give any notice, other than such notice as may be herein expressly required in this Project Agreement.

Section 6.4      Agreement to Pay Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. In the event the Company should default under any of the provisions of this Project Agreement and the Agency should employ attorneys or incur other expenses for the collection of amounts payable hereunder or the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligations or agreements on the part of the Company herein contained, the Company shall, on demand therefor, pay to the Agency the fees of such attorneys and such other expenses so incurred.

ARTICLE VII. SPECIAL COVENANTS

Section 7.1      Employment Opportunities



(a) The Company shall ensure that all employees and applicants for employment with regard to the Project, including, without limitation, the employees of and applicants for employment with the Company, are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination in violation of Applicable Law.

(b) Pursuant to Section 858-b of the Act, except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining contracts or agreements, the Company agrees (1) to list or cause to be listed all new employment opportunities created as a result of the Project with the New York State Department of Labor, Community Services Division (the "NYSDOL") and with the administrative entity (collectively with NYSDOL, the "JTPA Referral Entities") of the service delivery area created by the federal Job Training Partnership Act (P.L. No. 97-300) (including any successor statute thereto, including, without limitation, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (P.L. No. 105-270), collectively, the "JTPA") in which the Project Facility is located, and (2) where practicable, to first consider and to cause to be first considered for such new employment opportunities persons eligible to participate in federal JTPA programs who shall be referred by the JTPA Referral Entities.

(c) Pursuant to the requirements of subsection one of Section 6 of Chapter 127 of the 1995 Laws of the State, the Company agrees to file with the Agency, prior to the effective date of this Project Agreement, an employment plan, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agency.

(d) The Company agrees to file with the Agency on a calendar year basis not later than February 10 of each year during the term of this Project Agreement, measured as of December 31st of the immediately preceding calendar year, reports (i) certifying the full-time equivalent jobs retained and the full time equivalent jobs created as a result of the granting of the Financial Assistance, by category, including full-time equivalent independent contractors and employees of independent contractors that work at the Project Facility, and (ii) certifying that the salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created that were set forth in the Application are then still accurate or, if not then still accurate, providing a revised list of salary and fringe benefit averages or ranges for categories of jobs retained and jobs created. Said annual reports shall be in substantially the form promulgated from time to time by the Agency. The current forms of reports are annexed hereto as Exhibit E. The Company shall provide such annual reports (and supporting documentation) with respect to its employees and shall cause its Affiliates, contractors and agents to provide such reports (and supporting documentation) with respect to their respective employees, if any, at the Project Facility. The Agency shall have the right, at the Company's expense, to audit, confirm and/or require additional information with regard thereto and the Company agrees to reasonably cooperate with and to cause its Affiliates and such third parties to cooperate with the Agency in connection therewith.

(e) The Company shall, at all times during the term of this Project Agreement, maintain or cause to be maintained the Minimum Employment Requirement. The Company agrees to give the Agency written notice of the occurrence of any default under this subsection (E) within ten (10) days after the Company becomes aware of the occurrence of such default.

(f) Subject to (i) collective bargaining contracts or agreements and other existing contracts or agreements to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound and (ii) compliance with Applicable Laws, the Company agrees to list or cause to be listed all new employment opportunities created as a result of the Project on the Nassau County TweetMyJobs website or other website designated by the Agency from time to time, provided that such listing shall be at no cost to the Company.

(g) Subject to (i) collective bargaining contracts or agreements and other existing contracts or agreements to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound and (ii) compliance with Applicable Laws, the Company agrees that to the greatest extent possible new employment opportunities shall be provided to Nassau County or Suffolk County residents first.

Section 7.2 Company to Terminate Existence or Dispose of Assets. The Company agrees that, during the term of this Project Agreement, (A) it will maintain its existence as in effect on the Closing Date, (B) will not dissolve or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets, and (C) will not consolidate with or merge into another corporation or other Person, or permit one or more limited liability companies or other Persons to consolidate with or merge into it, without giving prior written notice to the Agency and obtaining the written consent of the Agency. The Company agrees that it will not change its name or its state of organization without giving prior written notice to the Agency and obtaining the written consent of the Agency, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Section 7.3 Agreement to Provide Information. The Company agrees, whenever reasonably requested by the Agency, to promptly provide and certify or cause to be provided and certified such information concerning the Project Facility, the Company, the Guarantors and/or the Company's and/or the Guarantors' finances, operations and affairs and other topics as the Agency from time to time reasonably considers necessary or appropriate, including, but not limited to, such information as to enable the Agency to make any reports required by Applicable Laws or other governmental regulation or to ensure compliance with the provisions of this Project Agreement and the other Transaction Documents.

Section 7.4 Books of Record and Account; Compliance Certificates. The Company agrees to maintain proper accounts, records and books in which full and correct entries shall be made of all business and affairs of the Company.

(b) On or before February 10th of each year, the Company shall furnish to the Agency a certificate of an Authorized Representative of the Company stating that no Event of Default hereunder or under any other Transaction Document has occurred or is continuing or, if any Event of Default exists, specifying the nature and period of existence thereof and what action the Company has taken or proposes to take with respect thereto, it being understood and agreed that the Agency's annual employment report attached as Exhibit G may serve as such "No Event of Default" certificate. The Company represents to the Agency that the Company's fiscal year currently ends on December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Section 7.5 Financial Statements. Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of each fiscal year, the Company shall deliver to the Agency the financial statements of

the Company and the Sublessee prepared and compiled by an independent certified public accountant, certified by the chief financial officer of the Company, including a balance sheet as of the last day of such period and an operating statement through the last day of such period. The Company represents to the Agency that each of the Company's and the Sublessee's fiscal year ends on December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Company may satisfy its obligations to deliver financial statements of the Sublessee by delivering the publicly available financial statements of Sublessee's publicly traded parent or ultimate parent

Section 7.6      Compliance with Applicable Laws.

(a) The Company agrees, for the benefit of the Agency, that it will, during the term of this Project Agreement, promptly comply with all Applicable Laws.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (A) of this Section 7.6, the Company may in good faith actively contest the validity or the applicability of any Applicable Law, provided that the Company (1) first shall have notified the Agency in writing of such contest, (2) no Event of Default (other than the subject non-compliance) shall have occurred and be continuing under any of the Transaction Documents beyond any applicable notice or cure period, (3) shall have set aside adequate reserves for any such requirement, (4) demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Agency that noncompliance with such Applicable Law will not subject the Project Facility or any part thereof to loss or forfeiture, (5) demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Agency that such contest shall not result in the Company or the Agency being in any danger of any civil or criminal liability for failure to comply therewith, and (6) diligently prosecutes such contest to completion. Otherwise, the Company shall promptly take such action with respect thereto as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Agency.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section 7.6, if the Agency or any of its members, officers, agents (other than the Company), attorneys, servants or employees, past, present or future, would be liable for prosecution for failure to comply therewith, the Company shall promptly take such action with respect thereto as shall be satisfactory to the Agency.

Section 7.7      Performance of the Company's Obligations.      Should the Company fail to make any payment or to do any act as provided in the Transaction Documents beyond applicable notice and/or cure periods, if any, the Agency may, but shall not be obligated to, without notice to or demand on the Company and without releasing the Company from any obligation herein, make or do the same, including, without limitation, appearing in and defending any action purporting to affect the rights or powers of the Company or the Agency, and paying all fees, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the Agency in connection therewith; and the Company shall pay promptly upon demand all sums so incurred or expended by the Agency under the authority hereof, together with interest thereon, at the Default Interest Rate, from the date of written demand to the Company.

ARTICLE VIII.  
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.1      Hold Harmless Provision.      The Company hereby releases the Agency from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for, and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency and its executive director, directors, members, officers, employees, agents (other than the Company), representatives, successors and assigns harmless from and against, any and all (i) liability for loss or damage to property or injury to or death of any and all persons that may be occasioned by any cause whatsoever pertaining to the Facility or arising by reason of or in connection with the occupation or the use thereof or the presence on, in or about the Facility or breach by the Company of this Project Agreement or (ii) liability arising from or expense incurred by the Agency's financing, acquiring, constructing, equipping, owning and leasing of the Equipment or of the Facility, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all causes of action and reasonable attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The foregoing indemnities shall apply notwithstanding the fault or negligence on the part of the Agency, or any of its respective executive director, directors, members, officers, agents or employees and irrespective of the breach of a statutory obligation or the application of any rule of comparative or apportioned liability, except that such indemnities will not be applicable with respect to willful misconduct or gross negligence on the part of the Agency or any other person or entity to be indemnified.

Section 8.2      This Project Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original but which together shall constitute a single instrument.

Section 8.3      All notices, claims and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given if personally delivered or mailed first class, postage prepaid, or by a nationally-recognized overnight courier, addressed as follows:

To the Agency:      Nassau County Industrial Development Agency  
One West Street  
Mineola, NY 11501  
Attn: Chief Executive Officer

With a copy to:      Harris Beach PLLC  
333 Earle Ovington Blvd, Suite 900  
Uniondale, NY 11553  
Attn: Andrew Komaromi, Esq.

To the Company:      275 OAK DRIVE LLC  
180 Michael Drive - STE 109A  
Syosset, NY 11791



With a copy to: Forchelli Deegan Terranna LLP  
333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 1010  
Uniondale, New York 11553  
Attn: Daniel P. Deegan, Esq.

And

Day Pitney LLP  
242 Trumbull Street  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Attn: Judith A. Blank, Esq.

or at such other address as any party may from time to time furnish to the other party by notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section. All notices shall be deemed given when mailed or personally delivered in the manner provided in this Section.

Section 8.4 This Project Agreement shall be governed by, and all matters in connection herewith shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York applicable to agreements executed and to be wholly performed therein and the parties hereto hereby agree to submit to the personal jurisdiction of the federal or state courts located in Nassau County, New York.

Section 8.5 The warranties, representations, obligations and covenants of the Company under this Project Agreement shall be absolute and unconditional (except as set forth herein) and shall remain in full force and effect during the term of this Project Agreement, shall be deemed to have been relied upon by the Agency, and shall survive the delivery and termination of this Project Agreement to the Agency, regardless of any investigation made by the Agency. This Project Agreement shall survive any termination or expiration of the Leaseback Agreement or the Amended PILOT Agreement, as described below.

Section 8.6 By executing this Project Agreement, the Company covenants and agrees to pay all fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Agency for (a) legal services, including but not limited to those provided by the Agency's general counsel or bond/transaction counsel, (b) other consultants retained by the Agency, if any, in connection with the Project; and (c) with respect to Agency's enforcement of any event of default or failure to comply with the terms of this Project Agreement (including reasonable attorney fees). The Company further covenants and agrees that the Company is liable for payment to the Agency of all charges referred to above, as well as all other actual costs and expenses incurred by the Agency in undertaking the Project notwithstanding the occurrence of any of (i) the Company's withdrawal, abandonment, cancellation or failure to pursue the Project; (ii) the inability of the Agency or the Company to procure the services of one or more financial institutions to provide financing for the Project; or (iii) the Company's failure, for whatever reason, to undertake and/or successfully complete the Project.

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*[Signature Page to Agent and Financial Assistance and Project Agreement]*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Project Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

**NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL  
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By:   
Harry Coghlan  
Chief Executive Officer / Executive Director

**275 OAK DRIVE LLC**, a New York limited  
liability company

**BY: 345 UNDERHILL L.L.C.  
SOLE MEMBER**

By:   
Name: Stacy Finkelstein  
Title: Authorized Signatory

## SCHEDULE A

### SCHEDULE OF DEFINITIONS

"Applicable Law or Applicable Laws" shall have the meaning as defined in the Leaseback Agreement.

"Authorized Representative" means, in the case of the Agency, the Executive Director, the Chairman or the Vice Chairman and such additional persons as, at the time, are designated to act on behalf of the Agency; and in the case of the Company, the members and such additional persons as, at the time, are designated to act on behalf of the Company.

"Guarantor" or "Guarantors" means, individually or collectively, as the context may require, 345 Underhill, L.L.C., a New York limited liability company, the Sublessee and Nestle Waters North America Holdings, Inc., each a Delaware corporation.

"Independent Accountant" shall mean an independent certified public accountant or firm of independent certified public accountants selected by the Company and approved by the Agency (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

"Leaseback Agreement" shall mean that certain Amended Sublease Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2019 by and between the Company and the Agency.

"Maximum Sales Tax Exemption" shall mean the aggregate maximum dollar amount of Sales Tax Savings that the Company and all Subagents acting on behalf the Company are permitted to receive under this Project Agreement, which shall equal **\$53,259.00**, or such maximum dollar amount as may be determined by the Agency pursuant to such additional documents as may be required by the Agency for such increase.

"Maximum Mortgage Principal Amount" shall mean **\$0.00**.

"Maximum Mortgage Tax Exemption" shall mean the maximum dollar amount of Mortgage Recording Tax Savings that the Company is permitted to receive under this Project Agreement, which shall equal **\$0.00**, or such maximum dollar amount as may be determined by the Agency pursuant to such additional documents as may be required by the Agency by such increase.

"Prohibited Person" means (i) any Person (A) that is in default or in breach, beyond any applicable grace or cure period, of its obligations under any written agreement with the Agency or the County, or (B) that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with a Person that is in default or in breach, beyond any applicable grace or cure period, of its obligations under any written agreement with the Agency or the County, unless such default or breach has been waived in writing by the Agency or the County, as the case may be, and (ii) any Person (A) that has been convicted in a criminal proceeding for a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude or that is an organized crime figure or is reputed to have substantial business or other affiliations with an organized crime figure, or (B) that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with a Person that has been convicted in a criminal proceeding for a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude or that is

an organized crime figure or is reputed to have substantial business or other affiliations with an organized crime figure.

“Sales Tax Exemption” shall mean an exemption from Sales and Use Taxes resulting from the Agency’s participation in the Project Facility.

“Sales and Use Taxes” shall mean local and State sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed pursuant to Article 28 of the New York State Tax Law, as the same may be amended from time to time.

“State Sales and Use Taxes” shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by Article 28 of the New York State Tax Law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by Section 1107 or 1108 of such Article 28, as the same may be amended from time to time.

“State Sales Tax Savings” shall mean all Sales Tax Exemption savings relating to State Sales and Use Taxes realized by or for the benefit of the Company, including any savings realized by any Subagent, pursuant to this Project Agreement.

“Transaction Documents” shall have the meaning as defined in the Leaseback Agreement.

**SCHEDULE B**

**LIST OF APPOINTED AGENTS<sup>1</sup>**

1. 275 OAK DRIVE, LLC
2. NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA, INC.
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
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<sup>1</sup> FOR EACH AGENT APPOINTED BY THE COMPANY, A NYS FORM ST-60 MUST BE COMPLETED AND FILED BY THE COMPANY WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE IDA UNIT INDICATING THE APPOINTMENT OF SUCH AGENT OF THE COMPANY.

## **SCHEDULE C**

### **MANDATORY AGENT AND SUBAGENT CONTRACT LANGUAGE**

“This contract is being entered into by [NAME OF COMPANY OR NAME OF SUBAGENT] (the “Agent”), as agent for and on behalf of the **NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the “Agency”), in connection with a certain project of the Agency for the benefit of **275 OAK DRIVE LLC**, consisting in part of the acquisition and installation of certain machinery, equipment and building materials, all for incorporation and installation in certain premises located at 275-280 Oak Street, Syosset, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, Section: 15; Block: G; Lot: 211 (the “Premises”). The acquisition of the machinery, equipment and building materials to be incorporated and installed in the Premises and all services and rentals of equipment related to the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project shall be exempt from all New York State and local sales and use taxes if the acquisition thereof is effected in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the attached sales tax exemption information letter of the Agency; and the Agent hereby represents that this contract is in compliance with the terms of the Uniform Project Agreement by and between 275 OAK DRIVE LLC and the Agency, dated as of June 26, 2019. This contract is non-recourse to the Agency, and the Agency shall not be directly, indirectly or contingently liable or obligated hereunder in any manner or to any extent whatsoever. By execution or acceptance of this contract, the vendor/contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions set forth in this paragraph.”



**EXHIBIT A**

**COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS AND FORM OF AMENDED PILOT AGREEMENT**

**[Attached]**

# NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA, INC.: ECONOMIC AND FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

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## Summary

The Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") received an application for financial assistance from Nestle Waters North America, Inc. (the "Applicant") for the renovation of an existing building along with related acquisition of machinery and equipment (the "Project") at 275-280 Oak Drive in the Hamlet of Syosset, Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, New York (the "Site"). The Project involves the renovation of an approximately 54,416 square foot facility for use by the Applicant as a warehouse and distribution facility for the Applicant's bottled water and related products business. The Agency commissioned Camoin Associates to conduct an economic and fiscal impact of the Project on Nassau County (the "County").

This study analyzes the impact that the Project will have on the Nassau County economy and on local municipal revenues, net of any economic activity that would occur even if the Project was not completed. Following renovation, the Applicant expects to retain 105 full-time jobs from their existing operation. The Applicant states that absent Agency benefits they would consider relocating the employees at the current location to an existing facility in New Jersey or Connecticut.<sup>1</sup> The Applicant plans to add 12 new jobs within three years following Project completion. Therefore, we consider the 117 jobs (105 existing and 12 new) to be net new to the County. This study analyzes the impact that these net new jobs and related renovation jobs would have on the County economy and on municipal revenue sources.

The following is a summary of our findings from this study, with details below and in the attachments.

Summary of Benefits to County		
Renovation Phase Jobs		7
Renovation Phase On-Site Jobs		4
Renovation Phase Earnings	\$	521,174
Renovation Phase On-Site Earnings	\$	355,521
One-Time Sales Tax Revenue to County	\$	3,876
Annual Jobs		211
On-Site Jobs		117
Annual Earnings	\$	14,444,815
On-Site Earnings	\$	8,321,403
Average Annual Sales Tax Revenue to County	\$	107,433
Average Annual PILOT Payment	\$	169,236

- The renovation phase of the Project would result in approximately 4 new direct, on-site renovation jobs generating an estimated \$356,000 in direct new earnings on-site. The renovation phase would support an additional 3 indirect jobs and \$156,000 in indirect earnings.
- The operation phase of the Project supports 117 net new jobs in the County. The annual direct earnings associated with the Project is estimated at approximately \$8.3 million on-site and another nearly \$6.1 million in indirect earnings throughout the County.

<sup>1</sup> According to Schedule I of the application.



- Sales associated with the Project would be taxed and contribute to sales tax revenue for the County. Average annual sales tax revenue to the County as a result of the Project will total approximately \$107,000.
- The Applicant has negotiated terms of a proposed PILOT agreement with the Agency, which includes a 10-year PILOT for the property, after which the Applicant would pay tax on the full value of the property. Under this proposed PILOT agreement, the Applicant is expected to pay nearly \$1.7 million during the 10-year PILOT term.

Summary of Costs to County		
Sales Tax Exemption	\$	53,259
Loss (Gain) of Property Tax Revenue	\$	1,192,951
Source: Applicant IDA Application, Camoin Associates		

- Through negotiations with the Agency, the Applicant could have access to a sales tax exemption estimated to be valued at up to \$53,259. However, if we assume that the Project would not occur absent IDA benefits, this figure is not actually a "cost" to the affected tax jurisdictions since no future revenue stream would exist without support from the Agency.
- The schedule of payments to be made by the Applicant under the draft PILOT agreement would be \$1,192,951 less than the property tax payments generated by the Site if the Project were not to occur. In other words, the PILOT represents a cost to the affected taxing jurisdictions averaging \$119,295 per year.



## Economic Impact Analysis

The estimates of direct economic activity generated during the renovation phase and on-site employment during the operational phase as provided by the Applicant were used as the direct inputs for the economic impact model. Camoin Associates used the input-output model designed by Economic Modeling Specialist International (EMSI) to calculate total economic impacts. EMSI allows the analyst to input the amount of new direct economic activity (spending or jobs) occurring within the County and uses the direct inputs to estimate the spillover effects that the net new spending or jobs have as these new dollars circulate through the Nassau County economy. This is captured in the indirect impacts and is commonly referred to as the "multiplier effect." See Attachment A for more information on economic impact analysis.

### Renovation Phase Impacts

The Applicant anticipates that the private sector investment in the renovation of the Project would cost over \$1.2 million.<sup>2</sup> All of this cost represents private sector investment generated by the Project. If we assume that 78%<sup>3</sup> of the renovation spending would be sourced from within the County, we can project that there will be over \$963,000 in net new spending in the County associated with the renovation phase.

Renovation Phase Spending		
Total Renovation Cost	\$	1,235,000
Percent Sourced from County		78%
Net New Renovation Spending	\$	963,300

Source: Applicant, Camoin Associates

Based on \$963,300 worth of net new direct spending associated with the renovation phase of the Project, Camoin Associates determines that there would be a total of nearly \$1.5 million in one-time renovation related spending supporting 7 jobs throughout the County and over \$521,000 in earnings.

Economic Impact - Renovation Phase					
	Direct		Indirect		Total
Jobs		4		3	7
Earnings	\$	355,521	\$	165,653	\$ 521,174
Sales	\$	963,300	\$	485,124	\$ 1,448,424

Source: EMSI, Camoin Associates

Based solely on information in the application and the project timeline of 6 months, as estimated by the Applicant, should allow the Agency to reach the conclusion that there is a likelihood of accomplishing the project in a timely manner. Although we are not renovation experts, nothing has come to our attention that would cause us to reach a contrary conclusion.

<sup>2</sup> Includes project costs provided by Applicant in the application under Project Costs, except for legal and financial fees, land acquisition, permits, and real estate taxes.

<sup>3</sup> According to Part III of the application, 80% of materials (\$617,500) and 75% of labor (\$617,500) will be sourced from within Nassau County.

## Impacts of On-Site Employment

The table below outlines the impact that the jobs employed on-site as a result of the Project would have on Nassau County in terms of direct, indirect, and total employment and wages. During current operations, the Applicant employs approximately 105 employees at the Site.<sup>4</sup> The Applicant is considering relocating these positions to locations outside of the County absent Agency assistance. The Project would retain these positions on-site and within the County. Additionally, the Applicant will add an additional 12 positions on-site within three years following project completion. Therefore, 117 jobs are considered to be net new to the County.

Annual Economic Impact - Occupation Phase				
	Direct		Indirect	
Jobs		117		94
Earnings	\$	8,321,403	\$	6,123,412
Sales	\$	27,010,862	\$	16,574,261
Total				
				211
				\$ 14,444,815
				\$ 43,585,122

Source: EMSI, Camoin Associates

As shown in the table above, the Applicant anticipates that 117 net new jobs with an annual payroll of over \$8.3 million will be on-site within three years following Project completion. Taking into account the additional indirect and induced economic impacts on Nassau County from those direct jobs, total employment created by the project is estimated at 211 jobs and \$14.4 million in annual earnings. As a result, the project would generate nearly \$43.6 million in total sales.

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<sup>4</sup> According to Part I of the application.



## Fiscal Impact Analysis

In addition to the economic impact of the Project on the local economy (outlined above), there would also be a fiscal impact in terms of annual property tax and sales tax generation. The following section of the analysis outlines the impact of the completion of the Project on the local taxing jurisdictions in terms of the cost and/or benefit to municipal budgets.

### Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)

The Applicant has applied to the Agency for a Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement for the Project. The Applicant has proposed a 10-year payment schedule for the PILOT agreement. This PILOT represents an extension of the Applicant's 2008 PILOT agreement with the Agency, which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019.<sup>5</sup> Based on the terms of the PILOT as proposed, Camoin Associates calculated the potential payments associated with the PILOT agreement:

Tax Payments with PILOT			
Year		PILOT Payments	
1	\$	154,558	
2	\$	157,649	
3	\$	160,802	
4	\$	164,018	
5	\$	167,298	
6	\$	170,644	
7	\$	174,057	
8	\$	177,538	
9	\$	181,089	
10	\$	184,711	
Total	\$	1,692,362	
Average	\$	169,236	

Source: Nassau County IDA, Camoin Associates

<sup>5</sup> According to Schedule I of the application.

## Tax Policy Comparison

Without financial assistance from the Agency, Camoin Associates assumes that the Applicant would not undertake the Project. Based on the current taxable value of the Site and an assumed annual increase to the tax rate of 2.00%<sup>6</sup> (holding taxable value constant), the following table outlines the estimated tax payments made by the building owner without the project.

Tax Payment Without Project		
Year	Property Tax Payment Without Project	
1	\$	263,506
2	\$	268,776
3	\$	274,151
4	\$	279,634
5	\$	285,227
6	\$	290,931
7	\$	296,750
8	\$	302,685
9	\$	308,739
10	\$	314,914
Total	\$	2,885,313
Average	\$	288,531

Source: Nassau County IDA, Camoin Associates.

<sup>6</sup> The tax rate is increased by 2.00% annually, the maximum inflation factor that can be reasonably anticipated into the future. New York State property tax cap legislation limits tax levy growth to an inflation factor set by the State or 2.00%, whichever is less, the amount by which a government entity may increase its annual tax levy (certain exceptions apply). Although in recent years the inflation factor has been less than 2.00%, using 2.00% for the purposes of comparing future otherwise applicable property tax payments without the Project to the proposed PILOT schedule provides a conservative estimate of the Project's benefit/cost to the County.

The table below calculates the benefit (or cost) to the affected taxing jurisdictions as the difference between the PILOT payments associated with the Project and the property tax payments without the Project. In year one of the PILOT, payments are equal to what the property tax would be without the Project. Over the course of the proposed PILOT term, the average annual collection by local jurisdictions would be \$19,973 less in PILOT revenue than property taxes without the Project. The total cost to the affected taxing jurisdictions of the PILOT agreement over 10 years would be approximately \$1.2 million.

Tax Policy Comparison					
Year	A		B		C
	Property Tax Payment Without Project		PILOT Payment		Benefit (Cost) To County of Project (Col. B - Col. A)
1	\$	263,506	\$	154,558	\$ (108,948)
2	\$	268,776	\$	157,649	\$ (111,127)
3	\$	274,151	\$	160,802	\$ (113,349)
4	\$	279,634	\$	164,018	\$ (115,616)
5	\$	285,227	\$	167,298	\$ (117,929)
6	\$	290,931	\$	170,644	\$ (120,287)
7	\$	296,750	\$	174,057	\$ (122,693)
8	\$	302,685	\$	177,538	\$ (125,147)
9	\$	308,739	\$	181,089	\$ (127,650)
10	\$	314,914	\$	184,711	\$ (130,203)
Total	\$	2,885,313	\$	1,692,362	\$ (1,192,951)
Average	\$	144,266	\$	169,236	\$ (119,295)

Source: Nassau County IDA, Camoin Associates



## Other Exemptions

The PILOT program would offer the Applicant savings in terms of property tax benefits, but there are other benefits to working with the Agency including a sales tax exemption on renovation materials and furniture, fixtures, and equipment.

Summary of Costs to County		
Sales Tax Exemption	\$	53,259
Loss (Gain) of Property Tax Revenue	\$	1,192,951

Source: Applicant IDA Application, Camoin Associates

The additional incentives offered by the Agency would benefit the Applicant but would not negatively affect the County because, without the Project, the County by definition would not be receiving any associated revenue.

## Sales Tax Revenue - Renovation Phase

The one-time renovation phase earnings described by the total economic impact of the renovation work (described in above section) would lead to additional sales tax revenue for the County. It is assumed that 70%<sup>7</sup> of the renovation phase earnings would be spent within Nassau County and that 25% of those purchases would be taxable.

One-Time County Sales Tax Revenue Renovation Phase		
Total New Earnings	\$	521,174
Amount Spent in County (70%)	\$	364,822
Amount Taxable (25%)	\$	91,205
County Sales Tax Rate		4.25%
New County Tax Revenue	\$	3,876

Source: Nassau County, Camoin Associates

As a result of the renovation phase employment, the County would receive approximately \$3,876 in new sales tax revenue from the economic impacts of the renovation of the Project.

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<sup>7</sup> A retail leakage analysis of Nassau County suggests that a vast majority of the goods and services that employees will be purchasing are available within the county (food, clothing, vehicles, computers, etc.), but there still will be some outside spending on travel and through purchases made online and in neighboring counties. Based on third party proprietary retail spending data, 70% is a reasonable assumption for the amount of in-county spending. (Source: ESRI Business Analysis Online Retail Market Profile)

## Sales Tax Revenue – Employee Earnings

The additional earnings described by the total economic impact of the ongoing occupation (see the previous section) would lead to additional sales tax revenue for the County. It is assumed that 70%<sup>8</sup> of the earnings would be spent within Nassau County and that 25% of those purchases would be taxable.

Annual County Sales Tax Revenue Employee Earnings	
Total New Earnings	\$ 14,444,815
Amount Spent in County (70%)	\$ 10,111,371
Amount Taxable (25%)	\$ 2,527,843
County Sales Tax Rate	4.25%
New County Tax Revenue	\$ 107,433

Source: Nassau County, Camoin Associates

Under these assumptions, the County would receive approximately \$107,433 each year in new tax revenue from the economic impacts of the Project.

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<sup>8</sup> See footnote 7.



## Attachment A

### What is economic impact analysis?

The purpose of conducting an economic impact study is to ascertain the total cumulative changes in employment, earnings and output in a given economy due to some initial "change in final demand". To understand the meaning of "change in final demand", consider the installation of a new widget manufacturer in Anytown, USA. The widget manufacturer sells \$1 million worth of its widgets per year exclusively to consumers in Canada. Therefore, the annual change in final demand in the United States is \$1 million because dollars are flowing in from outside the United States and are therefore "new" dollars in the economy.

This change in final demand translates into the first round of buying and selling that occurs in an economy. For example, the widget manufacturer must buy its inputs of production (electricity, steel, etc.), must lease or purchase property and pay its workers. This first round is commonly referred to as the "Direct Effects" of the change in final demand and is the basis of additional rounds of buying and selling described below.

To continue this example, the widget manufacturer's vendors (the supplier of electricity and the supplier of steel) will enjoy additional output (i.e. sales) that will sustain their businesses and cause them to make additional purchases in the economy. The steel producer will need more pig iron and the electric company will purchase additional power from generation entities. In this second round, some of those additional purchases will be made in the US economy and some will "leak out". What remains will cause a third round (with leakage) and a fourth (and so on) in ever-diminishing rounds of spending. These sets of industry-to-industry purchases are referred to as the "Indirect Effects" of the change in final demand.

Finally, the widget manufacturer has employees who will naturally spend their wages. As with the Indirect Effects, the wages spent will either be for local goods and services or will "leak" out of the economy. The purchases of local goods and services will then stimulate other local economic activity; such effects are referred to as the "Induced Effects" of the change in final demand.

Therefore, the total economic impact resulting from the new widget manufacturer is the initial \$1 million of new money (i.e. Direct Effects) flowing in the US economy, plus the Indirect Effects and the Induced Effects. The ratio between Direct Effects and Total Effects (the sum of Indirect and Induced Effects) is called the "multiplier effect" and is often reported as a dollar-of-impact per dollar-of-change. Therefore, a multiplier of 2.4 means that for every dollar (\$1) of change in final demand, an additional \$1.40 of indirect and induced economic activity occurs for a total of \$2.40.

Key information for the reader to retain is that this type of analysis requires rigorous and careful consideration of the geography selected (i.e. how the "local economy" is defined) and the implications of the geography on the computation of the change in final demand. If this analysis wanted to consider the impact of the widget manufacturer on the entire North American continent, it would have to conclude that the change in final demand is zero and therefore the economic impact is zero. This is because the \$1 million of widgets being purchased by Canadians is not causing total North American demand to increase by \$1 million. Presumably, those Canadian purchasers will have \$1 million less to spend on other items and the effects of additional widget production will be cancelled out by a commensurate reduction in the purchases of other goods and services.

Changes in final demand, and therefore Direct Effects, can occur in a number of circumstances. The above example is easiest to understand: the effect of a manufacturer producing locally but selling globally. If, however, 100% of domestic demand for a good is being met by foreign suppliers (say, DVD players being imported into the US from Korea and Japan), locating a manufacturer of DVD players in the US will cause a change in final demand because all of those dollars currently leaving the US economy will instead remain. A situation can be envisioned whereby a producer is serving both local and foreign demand, and an impact analysis would have to be careful in calculating how many "new" dollars the producer would be causing to occur domestically.

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**EXHIBIT B**

**FORM OF NYS FORM ST-60 TO BE COMPLETED BY COMPANY AND FILED WITH  
THE NYS TAX DEPARTMENT IDA UNIT FOR EACH OF ITS SUBAGENTS WITHIN  
THIRTY (30) DAYS OF APPOINTMENT**

**[See Attached Page]**





# IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes

**ST-60**  
(1/18)

The industrial development agency or authority (IDA) **must** submit this form within **30 days** of the appointment of a project operator or agent, whether appointed directly by the IDA or indirectly by the operator or another agent.

**For IDA use only****IDA information**

Name of IDA <b>Nassau County IDA</b>			IDA project number (use OSC numbering system for projects after 1998) <b>2803-19-05A</b>	
Street address <b>One West Street</b>			Telephone number <b>(516) 571-1945</b>	
City <b>Mineola</b>	State <b>NY</b>	ZIP code <b>11501</b>	Email address (optional) <b>N/A</b>	

**Project operator or agent information**

Name of IDA project operator or agent		Mark an X in the box if directly appointed by the IDA: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Employer identification or Social Security number	
Street address		Telephone number ( )	Primary operator or agent? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
City	State	ZIP code	Email address (optional) <b>N/A</b>	

**Project information**

Name of project <b>275 OAK DRIVE LLC/ NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC, 2019 Project</b>			
Street address of project site <b>275 Oak Drive**</b>		**and any lands located in Nassau County and occupied by license or easement during construction or improved by third parties for the benefit of the Project	
City <b>Town of Oyster Bay</b>	State <b>NY</b>	ZIP code <b>11791</b>	Email address (optional) <b>N/A</b>
Purpose of project  The Project consists of: The retention of an interest in an approximately 3.56 acre parcel of land, and the renovation of an existing, approximately, 54,416 square foot building, and the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicants as a zone sales headquarters and as a sales office for its home and office distribution business and as a distribution center.			

Description of goods and services intended to be exempted from New York State and local sales and use taxes Goods and services, inclusive of fuel and utilities, whether the goods and services are purchased or rented, and notwithstanding that they continue to constitute personal property or the item is used after the completion of the Project, or the item is geographically located outside the legal boundaries of the Project Facility; provided there is a reasonable basis to acquire the item to benefit the Project.			
Date project operator or agent appointed (mm/dd/yyyy) <b>06/ /2019</b>		Date project operator or agent status ends (mm/dd/yyyy) <b>07/01/2020</b>	
		Mark an X in the box if this is an extension to an original project: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Estimated value of goods and services that will be exempt from New York State and local sales and use tax: <b>\$1,235,000.00</b>		Estimated value of New York State and local sales and use tax exemption provided: <b>\$53,259.00</b>	

**Certification:** I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements with the knowledge that willfully providing false or fraudulent information with this document may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and possible jail sentence. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of any information entered on this document.

Print name of officer or employee signing on behalf of the IDA <b>Harry Coghlan</b>		Print title <b>Chief Executive Officer / Executive Director</b>	
Signature		Date <b>06/ /2019</b>	Telephone number <b>(516) 465-0000</b>

## Instructions

### When to file

An IDA must file this form within 30 days of the date they appoint any project operator or other person as agent of the IDA, for purposes of extending any sales and use tax exemptions.

### Requirements to file

The IDA must file a separate form for each person it appoints as agent, whether directly or indirectly, and regardless of whether the person is the primary project operator or agent. If the IDA authorizes a project operator or agent to appoint other persons as agent of the IDA, the operator or agent making such an appointment must advise the IDA that it has done so, so that the IDA can file a form within 30 days of the date of the new agent's appointment. The IDA should not file this form for a person hired to work on an IDA project if that person is not appointed as agent of the IDA. The IDA should not file this form if they do not extend any sales or use tax exemption benefits for the project.

If an IDA modifies a project, such as by extending it beyond its original completion date, or by increasing or decreasing the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized for the project, they must, within 30 days of the change, file a new form with the new information.

### If the information on this form changes

If an IDA amends, revokes, or cancels the appointment of an agent, or if an agent's appointment becomes invalid for any reason, the IDA, within 30 days, must send a letter to the address below for filing this form, indicating that the appointment has been amended, revoked, or cancelled, or is no longer valid, and the effective date of the change. They must attach to the letter a copy of the form it originally filed. The IDA should not send a letter for a form that is not valid merely because the *Completion date of project* has passed.

### Mailing instructions

Mail completed form to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT  
IDA UNIT  
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS  
ALBANY NY 12227-0866

**Private delivery services** – See Publication 55, *Designated Private Delivery Services*.

### Privacy notification

New York State Law requires all government agencies that maintain a system of records to provide notification of the legal authority for any request for personal information, the principal purpose(s) for which the information is to be collected, and where it will be maintained. To view this information, visit our website, or, if you do not have Internet access, call and request Publication 54, *Privacy Notification*. See *Need help?* for the Web address and telephone number.

### Need help?



Visit our website at [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov)

- get information and manage your taxes online
- check for new online services and features

### Telephone assistance

Sales Tax Information Center:	518-485-2889
To order forms and publications:	518-457-5431
Text Telephone (TTY) or TDD equipment users	Dial 7-1-1 for the New York Relay Service

**EXHIBIT C-1**

**NYS FORM ST-123  
FOR  
COMPANY**

**[See Attached Page]**



**IDA Agent or Project Operator  
Exempt Purchase Certificate****Effective for projects beginning on or after June 1, 2014**

This certificate is not valid unless all entries have been completed.

**Note:** To be completed by the purchaser and given to the seller. See TSB-M-14(1.1)S, *Sales Tax Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Industrial Development Agencies and Authorities*, for more information.

Name of seller			Name of agent or project operator <b>275 OAK DRIVE LLC</b>		
Street address			Street address <b>180 MICHAEL DRIVE - STE 109A</b>		
City, town, or village	State	ZIP code	City, town, or village	State	ZIP code
			<b>SYOSSET</b>	<b>NY</b>	<b>11791</b>
Agent or project operator sales tax ID number (see instructions)					

Mark an **X** in one: ☐ Single-purchase certificate ☒ Blanket-purchase certificate (valid only for the project listed below)**To the seller:**

You must identify the project on each bill and invoice for such purchases and indicate on the bill or invoice that the IDA or agent or project operator of the IDA was the purchaser.

**Project information**

I certify that I am a duly appointed agent or project operator of the named IDA and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the following IDA project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes under my agreement with the IDA.

Name of IDA <b>Nassau County IDA</b>		
Name of project <b>275 OAK DRIVE LLC/ NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC , 2019 Project</b>		IDA project number (use OSC no) <b>2803-19-05A</b>
Street address of project site <b>275 Oak Drive**</b> <small>**and any lands located in Nassau County and occupied by license or easement during construction or improved by third parties for the benefit of the Project</small>		
City, town, or village <b>Town of Oyster Bay</b>	State <b>NY</b>	ZIP code <b>11791</b>
Enter the date that you were appointed agent or project operator (mm/dd/yy) ..... <b>06 / 26 / 19</b>		Enter the date that agent or project operator status ends (mm/dd/yy) ..... <b>07 / 01 / 20</b>

**Exempt purchases**(Mark an **X** in boxes that apply)

- ☒ A. Tangible personal property or services (other than utility services and motor vehicles or tangible personal property installed in a qualifying motor vehicle) used to complete the project, but not to operate the completed project
- ☐ B. Certain utility services (gas, propane in containers of 100 pounds or more, electricity, refrigeration, or steam) used to complete the project, but not to operate the completed project
- ☐ C. Motor vehicle or tangible personal property installed in a qualifying motor vehicle

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**EXHIBIT C-2.A**

**NYS FORM ST-123  
FOR  
SUBLESSEE AS SUBAGENT OF COMPANY**

**[See Attached Page]**

**IDA Agent or Project Operator  
Exempt Purchase Certificate****Effective for projects beginning on or after June 1, 2014**

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**Note:** To be completed by the purchaser and given to the seller. See TSB-M-14(1.1)S, *Sales Tax Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Industrial Development Agencies and Authorities*, for more information.

Name of seller			Name of agent or project operator		
			Nestle Waters North America Inc.		
Street address			Street address		
			900 Long Ridge Road		
City, town, or village	State	ZIP code	City, town, or village	State	ZIP code
			Stamford	CT	06902
			Agent or project operator sales tax ID number (see instructions)		

Mark an **X** in one: ☐ Single-purchase certificate ☒ Blanket-purchase certificate (valid only for the project listed below)**To the seller:**

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**Project information**

I certify that I am a duly appointed agent or project operator of the named IDA and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the following IDA project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes under my agreement with the IDA.

Name of IDA		
Nassau County IDA		
Name of project		IDA project number (use OSC no)
275 OAK DRIVE LLC/ NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC, 2019 Project		2803-19-05A
Street address of project site		
275 Oak Drive**		
**and any lands located in Nassau County and occupied by license or easement during construction or improved by third parties for the benefit of the Project		
City, town, or village	State	ZIP code
Town of Oyster Bay	NY	11791
Enter the date that you were appointed agent or project operator (mm/dd/yy)		Enter the date that agent or project operator status ends (mm/dd/yy)
06 / 26 / 19		07 / 01 / 20

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**EXHIBIT C-2.B**

**NYS FORM ST-123  
FOR  
SUBAGENTS OF COMPANY**

**[See Attached Page]**





New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

New York State Sales and Use Tax

**IDA Agent or Project Operator  
Exempt Purchase Certificate****Effective for projects beginning on or after June 1, 2014****ST-123**  
(2/14)

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Street address	Street address
City, town, or village	City, town, or village
State	State
ZIP code	ZIP code
Agent or project operator sales tax ID number (see instructions)	

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Name of project <b>275 OAK DRIVE LLC/ NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC, 2019 Project</b>		IDA project number (use OSC number) <b>2803-19-05A</b>
Street address of project site <b>275 Oak Drive</b>		
**and any lands located in Nassau County and occupied by license or easement during construction or improved by third parties for the benefit of the Project		
City, town, or village <b>Town of Oyster Bay</b>	State <b>NY</b>	ZIP code <b>11791</b>
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**EXHIBIT C-3**

**INVOICE RIDER FORM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ certify that I am  
a duly appointed agent of the NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
(the "Agency") and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the  
following Agency Project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes  
under the Uniform Project Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2019, by and between the Agency  
and 275 OAK DRIVE LLC.

Name of the Project:	275 OAK DRIVE LLC / NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC., 2019 Project
Street address of the Project Site:	275-280 Oak Street, Syosset, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York
Tax Map #:	(Section: 15; Block: G; Lot: 211)
IDA OSC project number:	<b>2803-19-05A</b>

**EXHIBIT D**

**NYS FORM ST-340 TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COMPANY AND FILED  
ANNUALLY WITH THE NYS TAX DEPARTMENT IDA UNIT NO LATER THAN  
FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH YEAR**

**[See Attached Page]**





Department of Taxation and Finance

# Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions Claimed by Agent/Project Operator of Industrial Development Agency/Authority (IDA)

**ST-340**  
(1/18)

For period ending December 31, \_\_\_\_\_ (enter year)

**Project information**

Name of IDA agent/project operator <b>Nestle Waters North America Inc.</b>		Employer identification number (EIN)	
Street address <b>900 Long Ridge Road</b>		Telephone number (      )	
City <b>Stamford</b>		State <b>CT</b>	ZIP code <b>06902</b>
Name of IDA <b>Nassau County IDA</b>	Name of project <b>275 OAK DRIVE LLC/ NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA INC, 2019 Project</b>		IDA project number <b>2803-19-0[ ]A</b>
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Date project began		Completion date of project <b>070120</b> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Expected <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Total sales and use tax exemptions (actual tax savings; not total purchases) .....			\$ <b>\$53,259.00</b>

**Representative information (not required)**

Authorized representative, if any	Title
Street address	Telephone number (      )
City	State      ZIP code

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Print name of officer, employee, or authorized representative		Title of person signing
Signature		Date

If you do not annually file a complete report, we may remove your authority to act as an IDA agent/project operator.

Mail completed report to:

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IDA UNIT  
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS  
ALBANY NY 12227-0866**

If not using U.S. Mail, see Publication 55, *Designated Private Delivery Services*.

## Instructions

### General information

#### Who must file

The General Municipal Law (GML) and the Public Authorities Law require the agent/project operator (also known as the *project occupant*) of an Industrial Development Agency or Authority (IDA) to file an annual report with the Tax Department. The agent/project operator required to file this report is the person **directly** appointed by the IDA to act for and to represent the IDA for the project. The agent/project operator is ordinarily the one for whom the IDA project was created.

There is usually only one agent/project operator directly appointed by the IDA for an IDA project. However, if the IDA directly appoints multiple agents/project operators, each agent/project operator must file this form (unless they are related corporations).

Only the agent/project operators directly appointed by the IDA must file Form ST-340. Contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or agents appointed by the agent/project operators should **not** themselves file Form ST-340. However, the agent/project operators must include on Form ST-340 information obtained from such contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and agents, as described below.

#### What you must report

The report must show the **total value** of all state and local **sales and use taxes exempted** during the calendar year, as a result of the project's designation as an IDA project. This includes:

- the value of the exemptions the agent/project operator (you) obtained; and
- the value of the exemptions obtained by your contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and others, whether or not appointed as agents of the IDA.

Include only the **total combined** exemptions obtained by the above people. A breakdown of the total is not required. However, since the report must include the value of the exemptions they obtained, you must keep records of the amounts others report to you.

You must make it clear to the contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and others that they must keep accurate tax information and have it available, so that you can comply with the annual reporting requirements.

Do not include on this report the amount of any sales and use tax exemptions from other provisions of the Tax Law (for example, manufacturer's production equipment exemption, research and development exemption, or contractor's exemption for tangible personal property incorporated into a project of an exempt organization).

#### When the report is due

You must file Form ST-340 on a calendar-year basis. It is due by the last day of February of the following year. The reporting requirement applies to IDA projects started on or after July 21, 1993.

#### Project information

At the top of the form, identify the reporting period by entering the year in the space provided. If an address is required, always include the ZIP code.

**Name of IDA agent/project operator:** Enter your name, address, employer identification number (EIN), and telephone number.

**Name of IDA and IDA project number:** Enter the name and address of the IDA. If more than one IDA is involved in a particular project, you must file a separate report for the tax exemptions attributable to each IDA. Also enter the ID project number.

**Name of project:** Enter the name of the project and the address of the project site. If you are involved in more than one project, you

must file a separate report for each project, even if authorized by the same IDA.

**Date project began:** Enter the date the project started (this means the earliest of the date of any bond or inducement resolution, the execution of any lease, or any bond issuance). Include month, day, and year.

**Completion date of project:** Enter the date installation, lease, or rental of property (for example, machinery or computers) on the project ended, or the date the project is expected to be completed. Mark an **X** in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected.

**Total sales and use tax exemptions:** Enter the total amount of New York State and local sales and use taxes exempted during the reporting period as a result of the project's receipt of IDA financial assistance (*if none, enter 0*). This includes exemptions obtained at the time of purchase, as well as through a refund or credit of tax paid. Include the sales and use taxes exempted on purchases of property or services incorporated into or used on the exempt project. This includes the taxes exempted on purchases made by or on behalf of the agent/project operator, the general contractor for the project, and any subcontractors, consultants, or others. Do **not** enter total purchases.

### Representative information

If applicable, enter the name, address, title (for example, attorney or accountant), and telephone number of the individual you authorize to submit this report. This section is not required.

### Certification

Enter the name and title of the person signing on your behalf (for example, the IDA agent/project operator's officer, employee, or other authorized representative). Your officer, employee, or authorized representative must sign and date the report.

Mail completed report to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT  
IDA UNIT  
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS  
ALBANY NY 12227-0866

If not using U.S. Mail, see Publication 55, *Designated Private Delivery Services*.

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Visit our website at [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov)

- get information and manage your taxes online
- check for new online services and features

#### Telephone assistance

Sales Tax Information Center: 518-485-2889

To order forms and publications: 518-457-5431

Text Telephone (TTY) or TDD Dial 7-1-1 for the  
equipment users New York Relay Service

### Privacy notification

New York State Law requires all government agencies that maintain a system of records to provide notification of the legal authority for any request for personal information, the principal purpose(s) for which the information is to be collected, and where it will be maintained. To view this information, visit our website, or, if you do not have Internet access, call and request Publication 54, *Privacy Notification*. See *Need help?* for the Web address and telephone number.

## **EXHIBIT E**

### **FORMS OF ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT REPORT**

## **NASSAU IDA JOB CONFIRMATION FORM 2018**

### **1. Sales Tax Abatement Information**

Did your company receive Sales Tax Abatement on your Project during 2019?

Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

If so, please provide the amount of sales and use tax exemptions.  
This would be Actual tax savings; NOT total purchases.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**(A copy of the ST-340 sales tax report submitted to  
New York State for the 2019 reporting period is required  
to be attached with this report)**

### **2. Mortgage Recording Tax Information**

a) Did your company receive Mortgage Tax Abatement on your Project during 2019?

Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

(Note this would only be applicable to the year that a mortgage was placed upon the Project, so if you did not close in 2018, the answer should be no)

b) Amount of the mortgage recording tax that was abated during 2019:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **3. Job Information**

(NOTE: All job information required herein shall include the employees, independent contractors and employees of independent contractors of all owners, occupants and operators of the Project Facility. Such information of owners, occupants and operators other than the Applicant shall also be separately provided in a certified statement with supporting documentation from each such owner, occupant and operator.)

a) Total number (as of December 31st of 2018) of full time equivalent ("FTE") jobs (including both retained and newly created jobs) at the Project Facility by job category, the average salary or range of salaries, and average fringe benefits or range of fringe benefits for each:

Category	FTE	Average Salary or Range of Salary	Avg. Fringe Benefits or Range of Benefits
Management	_____	_____	_____
Professional	_____	_____	_____
Administrative	_____	_____	_____
Production	_____	_____	_____
Supervisor	_____	_____	_____
Laborer	_____	_____	_____
Independent Contractor <sup>2</sup>	_____	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____	_____
Total	<input type="text"/>		

b) Number of the foregoing jobs that were (as of 12/31/19) filled by residents of the Local Market Area (i.e., Nassau and Suffolk Counties): \_\_\_\_\_

c) Please attach (1) the 2019 fourth quarter form NYS-45 (including NYS-45 ATT) filed with New York State Employment Taxation Department indicating number of employees, and (2) the Undersigned's annual payroll report for year ending 12/31/19. *It is not necessary to include Part C.*

d) Number of FTE construction jobs during 2019 : \_\_\_\_\_

e) Average Salary of construction jobs during 2019: \_\_\_\_\_

f) Number of FTE jobs created at the Project Facility during the fiscal year by job category the average salary or range of salaries, and average fringe benefits or range of fringe benefits for each:

Category	FTE	Average Salary or Range of Salary	Avg. Fringe Benefits or Range of Benefits
Management	_____	_____	_____
Professional	_____	_____	_____
Administrative	_____	_____	_____
Production	_____	_____	_____
Supervisor	_____	_____	_____
Laborer	_____	_____	_____
Independent Contractor <sup>3</sup>	_____	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____	_____
Total	<input type="text"/>		

g) Are the foregoing salary and fringe benefits figures consistent with the figures provided by the company in its application for financial assistance? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

<sup>2</sup> As used in this form, this category includes employees of independent contractors.

<sup>3</sup> As used in this form, this category includes employees of independent contractors.



- h) Number of the foregoing jobs that were (as of 12/31/19) filled by residents of the Local Market Area (i.e., Nassau and Suffolk Counties): \_\_\_\_\_
- i) Number of the foregoing jobs that were filled by Community Services Division applicants: \_\_\_\_\_
- j) Number of the foregoing jobs that were filled by Job Training Partnership Act eligible persons: \_\_\_\_\_
- k) Total Annual Payroll for 2019: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Project Investment Information**

- a) Project Investment for 2019: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(attach evidence such as receipts, contracts, invoices etc.)

The undersigned acknowledges that the average salaries or range of salaries and the average benefits or range of benefits for both retained and created jobs set forth in the Application are still accurate.

The undersigned acknowledges that the submission of any knowingly false or knowingly misleading information herein may lead to the immediate termination of the financial assistance and/or the recapture of an amount equal to all or part of any tax exemption claimed by reason of the Agency's involvement in the project.

The undersigned hereby confirms that (i) no default under the Transaction Documents has occurred and is continuing, and (ii) no leases, subleases or other arrangements permitting the use or occupancy of the Project Facility are in except, except those expressly authorized in writing by the Agency.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information contained herein is true, accurate and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledgment to be completed by a Notary Public:

State of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_ before me the undersigned, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she they executed the same in his/her/their, capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

NOTARY PUBLIC (Please sign and affix stamp)

**RETURN TO:**

**NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
ONE WEST STREET, SUITE 326  
MINEOLA, NY 11501  
ATTN: ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR  
NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 11, 20\_\_**