Empire Polymer Solutions, LLC

Public Hearing June 25, 2020

The Public Hearing of the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency, held on this day, Thursday, June 25, 2020 via Zoom meeting #84213337921, or dial in at 1-929-436-2866 was called to order at 10:15 am by Public Hearing Officer Nancy Lowery.

ATTENDEES:

Nancy Lowery, Public Hearing Officer Karen Doster

The Public Hearing was conducted regarding the application and project described as follows:

Empire Polymer Solutions, LLC

Acquisition of an interest in an approximately 16-acre parcel of land and existing 205,066 sq. ft. building; the demolition and reconstruction of the existing building; the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible property; the granting of certain financial assistance; the lease or sale of the project facility to the company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

Location: 7528 State Fair Boulevard Town of Van Buren

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a of the New York General Municipal Law will be held by the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 25th day of June, 2020 at 10:15 a.m., local time, via Zoom meeting #84213337921, or dial in at 1-929-436-2866, in connection with the following matter:

Empire Polymer Solutions, LLC (the "Company") filed an application with the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A)(1) acquisition of an interest in an approximately 16-acre parcel of land located at 7528 State Fair Boulevard (tax map no. 031.-11-01.1) in the Town of Van Buren, Onondaga County, New York (the "Land") and the existing 205,066 square foot building (the "Existing Building") thereon; (2) the demolition and reconstruction of the existing building, together with related site improvements (as reconstructed, the "Facility"); and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), such Project Facility to be used by the Company as a manufacturing plant and warehouse for recycled plastics together with related office space; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (subject to certain statutory limitations) (the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Company will be the initial owner and/or operator of the Project Facility.

The Agency has not made a decision with respect to the undertaking of the Project or the granting of the financial assistance.

The Agency will at the above-stated time and place hear all persons with views in favor of or opposed to the Project and/or the Financial Assistance. A copy of the Company's application including a cost/benefit analysis is available at the office of the Agency for review by interested persons. This public hearing will be held by remote means, by Zoom meeting and telephone conference call, in accordance with the modifications to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law") as modified by N.Y Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A copy of a recording of the hearing will be available on the Agency's website.

Public Hearing Officer Lowery asked if anyone had any comments on behalf of the proposed project. She stated please unmute by hitting *6. Clyde Sykes stated he is the Supervisor for the Town of Van Buren and the Town of Van Buren, the hosting community for this project, is delighted to have it. He stated they are in favor of any PILOT connected with this project due to the fact that it will create a significant number of jobs and the cleanup of the current site which is long overdue. He stated they greatly appreciate the work of the County Executive on this and it will be nice to have a viable business operating there again in the Town of Van Buren.

Public Hearing Officer Lowery then asked if anyone else wanted to speak in favor of the proposed project by hitting *6 and taking yourself off mute There were none.

Public Hearing then asked if anyone wanted to speak in opposition to the proposed project. She stated you may unmute by hitting *6. There were none.

Public Hearing Officer Lowery then asked if anyone wanted to make any general comments about the proposed project please make your interest known by taking yourself off mute by hitting *6. There were none.

The Public Hearing Officer also noted no written comments have been received as of June 25, 2020 regarding the project. Comments are kept on file and available for public viewing at 333 West Washington Street, Suite 130, Syracuse, New York.

The notice for Public Hearing has been read. The opportunity for comments for and against the proposed project has been noted. There being no further business, Public Hearing Officer Lowery closed the hearing at 10:21 a.m.

Dated: June 25, 2020

ONONDAGA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL **DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: Nancy Lowery, Public Heating Officer