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June 14, 2019

CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Miranda Kipper, Assessor Town of Whitestown 8539 Clark Mills Road Whitesboro, New York 13492

Re:

Oneida County Industrial Development Agency - 2019 Real Estate Lease

(H.J. Brandeles Corporation Facility)

Dear Ms. Kipper:

Enclosed you will please find Form RP-412-a (Application for Real Property Tax Exemption) in connection with the above-referenced facility. Attached to the Application is a copy of the Payment-in-Lieu-of-Tax Agreement which sets forth the terms of the tax abatement that the Agency will grant to the Company effective March 1, 2020.

Also enclosed for your convenience is a Closing Summary Sheet, that summarizes the transaction.

Should you have any questions on the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact our offices.

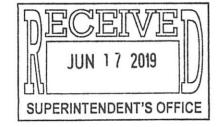
rållesen Very truly yours,

Laura S. Ruberto

Paralegal

Enclosures

Attached Distribution List (w/enclosures) CC:





Distribution List

County:

Anthony J. Picente, Jr. Oneida County Executive 800 Park Avenue Utica, New York 13501

Anthony R. Carvelli Commissioner of Finance Oneida County Finance Department 800 Park Avenue Utica, New York 13501

Kathy Pilbeam, Director Real Property Tax Services Oneida County 800 Park Avenue Utica, New York 13501

County of Oneida Receiver of Taxes 800 Park Avenue Utica, New York 13501

Town:

Shaun J. Kaleta, II, Supervisor Town of Whitestown 8539 Clark Mills Road Whitesboro, New York 13492

Margaret Hardy, Receiver of Taxes Town of Whitestown 8539 Clark Mills Road Whitesboro, New York 13492

School District:

Mr. Michael Head, President Board of Education Whitesboro Central School District 65 Oriskany Boulevard, Suite 1 Whitesboro, NY 13492

Dr. Brian K. Bellair, Superintendent Whitesboro Central School District 65 Oriskany Boulevard, Suite 1 Whitesboro, NY 13492

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RP-412-a (1/95)



NYS DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & FINANCE OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

APPLICATION FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

(Real Property Tax Law, Section 412-a and General Municipal Law, Section 874)

1. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (IDA)	2. OCCUPANT (IF OTHER THAN IDA) (If more than one occupant attach separate listing)						
Name Oneida County Industrial Development Agency	Name H.J. Brandeles Corporation						
Street 584 Phoenix Drive	Street P.O. Box 529						
City Rome NY 13441	City Utica, New York 13503						
Telephone no. Day (315)338-0393	Telephone no. Day ()						
Evening ()	Evening ()						
Contact Shawna Papale	Contact Louis A. Falvo III						
Title Executive Director	Title Vice President						
 a. Assessment roll description (tax map no.,/roll year) 304.000-1-62.5 b. Street address Northwest corner of Judd and Halsey Roads 	d. School District Whitesboro CSD e. County Oneida f. Current assessment						
c. City, Town or Village Whitestown	g. Deed to IDA (date recorded; liber and page)						
	Memo of Lease 06/13/19 #R2019-000759						
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY a. Brief description (include property use) Construct loading dock, all to provide commercial mechanical b. Type of construction	a 17,000± sf building, parking lot, driveways and contracting services						
c. Square footage 17,000± d. Total cost See attached e. Date construction commenced f. Projected expiration of exemption date when property is no longer possessed, controlled, supervised under the jurisdiction of IDA) December 31, 2030							
5. SUMMARIZE AGREEMENT (IF ANY) AND METHOD TO BE USED FOR PAYMENTS TO BE MADE TO MUNICIPALITY REGARDLESS OF STATUTORY EXEMPTION (Attach copy of the agreement or extract of the terms relating to the project). a. Formula for payment The Company will make fixed PILOT Payments for ten years, and 100% of taxes thereafter. See PILOT Agreement attached hereto.							
b. Projected expiration date of agreement December 31,	2030						

c.	Municipal corporations to which pa	ymen	ts will	d. Person or entity responsible for payment		
		Yes	No	Name H.J. Brandeles Corporation		
	County	\checkmark		Title Louis A. Falvo III, VP		
	County Town/City	abla				
	Village		∇	Address P.O. Box 529		
	School District	\checkmark		Utica, New York 13503		
e.	Is the IDA the owner of the property? ☐ Yes ☑ No (check one) If "No" identify owner and explain IDA rights or interest Telephone in an attached statement. IDA owns leasehold interest.					
6. Is the property receiving or has the property ever received any other exemption from real property taxation (check one) ✓ Yes □ No						
	If yes, list the statutory exemption exemption GML §874			d assessment roll year on which granted: assessment roll year 2015		
7. to	A copy of this application, includin	g all a	ittachm	nents, has been mailed or delivered on 6/14/19 (date) within which the project is located as indicated in Item 3.		
			<u>CE</u>	RTIFICATION		
Ι,	David C. Grow			, Chairman of		
	Name			litte		
-	Oneida County Industrial Developm	ent A	gency	hereby certify that the information		
on	this application and accompanying	paper	s const	itutes a true statement of facts.		
	June 12, 2019			Land Law		
	Date			Signature		
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	Date application filed					
	3a. Agreement (or extract) date 3b. Projected exemption expiration (year) 4. Assessed valuation of parcel in first year of exemption \$					
5. Special assessments and special as valorem levies for which the parcel is liable:						
	Date			Assessor's signature		

Exhibit A

Application for Real Property Tax Exemption (Form RP-412-a) Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (H.J. Brandeles Corporation Facility)

4(d). Total Cost of Facility:

Total:	\$1,800,000.00
Architectural/Engineering	10,000
Legal fees	10,000
Fees and Permits	10,000
Installation Costs	40,000
Machinery and equipment	50,000
Fixtures	80,000
Acquisition of Land	150,000
New Construction of Bldgs	1,450,000

Transcript Document No. 3(a)

H.J. BRANDELES CORPORATION

and

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT

Oneida County Industrial Development Agency 2019 Real Estate Lease (H.J. BRANDELES CORPORATION Facility)

Oneida County, Town of Whitestown, Whitesboro Central School District

Tax Account No.: 304.000-1-62.5

PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT

THIS PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF-TAX AGREEMENT, dated as of June 12, 2019, is by and between H.J. BRANDELES CORPORATION, a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York, with an address of 300 Lafayette Street, P.O. Box 529, Utica, New York 13503 (the "Company") and ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, an industrial development agency and a public benefit corporation of the State of New York having its principal office at 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York 13441 (the "Agency").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 99 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended, (the "Enabling Act"), and Chapter 372 of the Laws of 1970 of the State of New York, as amended, constituting Section 901 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act 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, among others, industrial facilities for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry in order 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, the Company desires to acquire a 5.00± acre parcel of land located at the northwest corner of Judd and Halsey Roads, Town of Whitestown, Oneida County, New York (the "Land"), construct on the Land a 17,000± square foot building together with a parking lot, driveway and loading dock to service the same (collectively, the "Improvements") and acquire and install equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all for the purpose of providing commercial mechanical contracting services (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the construction and equipping of the Improvements is referred to as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, in order to induce the Company to develop the Facility, the Agency is willing to accept a leasehold interest in the Facility pursuant to a Lease Agreement dated of even date herewith and lease the Facility back to the Company

pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in a Leaseback Agreement dated of even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has agreed to accept a leasehold interest in the Facility in order to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Facility is exempt from real property taxes, general property taxes, general school district taxes, general assessments, service charges or other governmental charges of a similar nature levied and/or assessed upon the Facility or the interest therein of the Company or the occupancy thereof by the Company commencing March 1, 2020, the taxable status date, (the "Exempt Taxes"), because the Agency has a leasehold interest in the Facility and the Facility is used for a purpose within the meaning of the applicable Constitutional and statutory provisions, including the Enabling Act, provided, however, such exemption does not extend to special assessments or ad valorem levies; and

WHEREAS, the Company understands that it, as lessee of the Facility leased by the Agency, will, in fact, have Exempt Taxes to pay under the provisions of this Agreement in the form of PILOT Payments (defined below) from the first date of the Exemption Term (as that date is determined by the parties and described herein) through the term of the Leaseback Agreement (the "Exemption Term"); and

WHEREAS, each year of the Exemption Term is more particularly set forth on <u>Schedule B</u> attached hereto (each year being referred to as an "Exemption Year"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency and the Company deem it necessary and proper to enter into an agreement making provision for payments-in-lieu-of-taxes and such assessments by the Company to the Town of Whitestown, or any existing incorporated village or any village which may be incorporated after the date hereof, within which the Facility is or may be, wholly or partially located, Oneida County, the Whitesboro Central School District and appropriate special districts (hereinafter each a "Taxing Authority" and collectively the "Taxing Authorities") in which any part of the Facility is or is to be located; and

WHEREAS, all defined terms herein as indicated by the capitalization of the first letter thereof and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms as set forth in the Leaseback Agreement. NOW, THEREFORE, to provide for certain payments to the Taxing Authorities, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The Company shall pay to each Taxing Authority:
- (a) all taxes that are due with respect to the Facility prior to the Exemption Term, no later than the last day during which such payments may be made without penalty; and
- (b) all special assessments and ad valorem taxes coming due and payable during the term of the Lease Agreement and the Leaseback Agreement for which the Facility is not exempt, no later than the last day during which such payments may be made without penalty.
- 2. (a) The Company shall pay a fixed amount in lieu of the Exempt Taxes (the "PILOT Payments") during each Exemption Year as follows:

\$ 0
\$0
\$0
\$6,000.00
\$6,000.00
\$7,200.00
\$8,400.00
\$9,600.00
\$10,800.00
\$12,000.00

Exemption Year 11 and thereafter 100% of Exempt Taxes

The fixed PILOT Payments shall be billed by the Taxing Authorities in the same proportion as taxes would have been apportioned but for the Agency's

involvement, unless the Taxing Authorities have consented in writing to a specific apportionment (for the purposes of apportioning the PILOT Payments, each Taxing Authority shall use the tax rate for the prior Exemption Year).

Anything herein to the contrary, notwithstanding, this Agreement shall terminate on the date on which the Leaseback Agreement shall terminate and the Agency shall terminate its leasehold interest in the Facility pursuant to the Leaseback Agreement. The benefits under this Agreement are subject to the terms and conditions of a certain Job Creation and Recapture Agreement dated as of June 12, 2019.

- (b) Anything herein to the contrary, notwithstanding, upon the failure of the Company in making any payment when due hereunder and upon failure to cure such default within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice as herein provided, shall constitute an Event of Default under Section 7.1(a)(vi) of the Leaseback Agreement, and the Agency may take any one or all remedial steps afforded it in Section 7.2 of the Leaseback Agreement; provided, however, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to limit any other rights and remedies the Agency may have hereunder or under any other Transaction Document.
- 3. The Company will make PILOT Payments to each Taxing Authority hereunder for each Exemption Year by making the required payment to such Taxing Authority no later than the last day during which such Exempt Taxes could otherwise be made without penalty as if the Agency did not have a leasehold or other interest in the Facility. PILOT Payments that are delinquent under this Agreement shall be subject to a late penalty of five percent (5%) of the amount due which shall be paid by the Company to the affected Taxing Authority at the time the PILOT Payment is paid. For each month, or part thereof, that the PILOT Payment is delinquent beyond the first month, interest shall accrue to and be paid to the affected Taxing Authority on the total amount due plus a late payment penalty in the amount of one percent (1%) per month until the payment is made. Anything herein to the contrary, notwithstanding, upon the failure of the Company in making any payment (or causing any payment to be made) when due hereunder and upon failure to cure such default within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice as herein provided, the Agency shall have the right to terminate the Leaseback Agreement and this PILOT Agreement, and the Company shall henceforth pay one hundred (100%) percent of the Exempt Taxes, together with all costs of collection, including but not limited to attorneys' fees. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to limit any other rights and remedies the Agency may have hereunder or under any other Transaction Document.

- 4. The PILOT Payments to be made by the Company pursuant to this Agreement are intended to be in lieu of all Exempt Taxes that would have to be paid on the Facility leased to the Company by the Leaseback Agreement if the Agency did not have a leasehold or other interest in the Facility.
- 5. If by reason of a change in the Constitution or laws of the State of New York, or an interpretation of the Constitution or the laws of the State of New York by the Court of Appeals (or such lower court from which the time to appeal has expired) of the State of New York, or for any other reason, the Company is required to pay any tax which the payments specified herein are intended to be in lieu of, the Company may deduct the aggregate of any such payments made by it from the amount herein agreed to be paid in lieu of such taxes and need only pay the difference. Furthermore, inasmuch as the PILOT Payments herein agreed to be made by the Company are intended to be in lieu of all Exempt Taxes, it is agreed that said payments shall not, as to any Exemption Year, be in an amount greater than would be payable for such year for such Exempt Taxes, in the aggregate, by a private corporation on account of its ownership of the Facility.
- 6. This Agreement shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties.
- It is the intent of the parties that the Company will have all the rights and 7. remedies of a taxpayer with respect to any real property or other tax, service charge, special benefit, ad valorem levy, assessment or special assessment or service charge because of which, or in lieu of which, the Company is obligated to make a payment hereunder, as if and to the same extent as if the Agency did not have a leasehold or other interest in the Facility. It is the further intent of the parties that the Company will have all of the rights and remedies of a taxpayer as if and to the same extent as if the Agency did not have a leasehold or other interest in the Facility with respect to any proposed assessment or change in assessment concerning the property, or any portion thereof, whether through an assessor, board of assessment review, court of law, or otherwise and likewise will be entitled to protest before and be heard by such assessor, board of assessment review, court of law or otherwise and will be entitled to take any and all appropriate appeals or initiate any proceedings to review the validity or amount of any assessment or the validity or amount of any taxes that would have been payable but for the provisions hereof. In the event, however, that a court of competent jurisdiction shall enter an order or judgment determining or declaring that, by reason of the Agency's interest in the Facility, the Company does not have the right to bring a proceeding to review such assessment under the Real Property Tax Law or any other

law, then the Company shall have the right to contest such assessment in the name and as the agent of the Agency, and the Agency agrees to cooperate with the Company in all respects in any such proceeding at the sole cost and expense of the Company. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, for so long as this Agreement is in effect, the Company hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waives its right, if any, to apply for and/or receive the benefit of any other real property tax exemption with respect to the Facility, including, without limitation, any real property tax exemption that may be available under Section 485-b and Section 485-e of the Real Property Tax Law. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, for so long as this Agreement is in effect, the Company shall not consolidate any other tax parcels into the tax parcels that are the subject of this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the Agency in each instance.

- 8. All amounts payable by the Company hereunder will be paid to the respective Taxing Authority and will be payable in such lawful money of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, including a check payable in such money.
 - 9. (a) If any term or provision hereof should be for any reason held or adjudged to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such term or provision will be deemed separate and independent and the remainder hereof will remain in full force and effect and will not be invalidated, impaired or otherwise affected by such holding or adjudication.
 - (b) This Agreement may not be effectively amended, changed, modified, altered or terminated except by an instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto.
 - (c) All notices, certificates or other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when (i) mailed by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested or (ii) when delivered by a commercial overnight courier that guarantees next day delivery and provides a receipt, to the Agency or the Company, as the case may be, addressed as follows:

To the Agency: Oneida County Industrial Development Agency

584 Phoenix Drive

Rome, New York 13441-4105

Attn.: Chairman

With a Copy To:

Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC

501 Main Street

Utica, New York 13501

Attn.: Linda E. Romano, Esq.

To the Company:

H.J. Brandeles Corporation

P.O. Box 529

Utica, New York 13503

Attn.: Louis A. Falvo III, Vice President

With a Copy To:

Getnick Livingston Atkinson & Priore, LLP

258 Genesee Street, Suite 401 Utica, New York 13502-4642 Attn.: Jeffrey M. Reale, Esq.

provided, that the Agency or the Company may, by notice given hereunder to the other, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications to them shall be sent.

(e) This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this **PILOT Agreement** as of the date first above written.

H.J. BRANDELES CORPORATION

Ву:

Louis A. Falvo III Vice President

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By:

David C. Grow Chairman

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
	: SS.	
COUNTY OF ONEIDA)	

On the $\frac{\int \mathcal{L}}{\int \mathcal{L}}$ day of June 2019 before me, the undersigned a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared **Louis A. Falvo III**, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
: ss.:
COUNTY OF ONEIDA)

On the 11th day of June 2019 before me, the undersigned a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared **David C. Grow**, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public

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SCHEDULE A

COUNTY OF ONEIDA

Receiver of Taxes 800 Park Avenue Rome, New York 13501

TOWN OF WHITESTOWN

8539 Clarks Mills Road Whitesboro, New York 13492 Attn.: Receiver of Taxes

WHITESBORO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

8539 Clarks Mills Road Whitesboro, New York 13492 Attn.: Receiver of Taxes

SCHEDULE B

EXEMPTION YEARS

Exemption Year (Assessment Roll Year)	County/Town Taxes	School Taxes
Year One (03/01/2020)	01/01/2021 - 12/31/2021	07/01/2020 — 06/30/2021
Year Two (03/01/2021)	01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022	07/01/2021 - 06/30/2022
Year Three (03/01/2022)	01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2023
Year Four (03/01/2023)	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024	07/01/2023 - 06/30/2024
Year Five (03/01/2024)	01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025
Year Six (03/01/2025)	01/01/2026 - 12/31/2026	07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026
Year Seven (03/01/2026)	01/01/2027 - 12/31/2027	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027
Year Eight (03/01/2027)	01/01/2028 – 12/31/2028	07/01/2027 - 06/30/2028
Year Nine (03/01/2028)	01/01/2029 - 12/31/2029	07/01/2028 - 06/30/2029
Year Ten (03/01/2029)	01/01/2030 - 12/31/2030	07/01/2029 - 06/30/2030