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## MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Directors, Rhode Island Commerce Corporation

From: Jonathan Womer  
Director, Office of Management & Budget 

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Subject: Rebuild Rhode Island Tax Credit Applications

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The staff of the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (the "Corporation") has informed the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") that it intends to recommend to the Corporation's Board of Directors (the "Board") one project for the receipt of tax credits and sales and use tax exemptions under the Rebuild Rhode Island Tax Credit in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00. That recommendation is as follows:

1. That the application submitted by 401 Tech Bridge be approved for tax credits in a maximum amount of \$1,000,000.00.

In addition, eight projects from OMB's July 16, 2020 certification must be updated with sales and use tax exemption information. Seven of these projects have received their final certification upon completion of the project, and their estimated sales and use tax exemptions have been finalized. The final project (Finlay Extracts & Ingredients USA, Inc.) had incomplete sales and use tax exemption information that only reflected one phase of a two-phase project and has been corrected. These updates have led to a reduction in anticipated sales and use tax exemptions of \$2,531,461.72. The complete information for those projects is as follows:

1. The application submitted by Urban Smart Growth, LLC should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$450,597, revised from an initial estimate of \$790,000.
2. The application submitted by Sprague Street Owner, LLC should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$96,656, revised from an initial estimate of \$150,000.
3. The application submitted by TPG 100 Sabin Hotel, LLC should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$629,921, revised from an initial estimate of \$1,311,938.
4. The application submitted by 110 North Main, LLC and 110 North Main Management, LLC should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$537,176, revised from an initial estimate of \$1,000,000.
5. The application submitted by Providence Capital III should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$194,591, revised from an initial estimate of \$271,040.
6. The application submitted by Virgin Pulse should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$68,020, revised from an initial estimate of \$299,070.
7. The application submitted by SSL Partner, LLC should reflect sales and use tax exemptions of \$734,189, revised from an initial estimate of \$1,597,036.
8. The application submitted by Finlay Extracts & Ingredients USA, Inc. should reflect estimated sales and use tax exemptions of \$471,500, corrected from an early incomplete estimate of \$295,028.

As of July 16, 2020, the Corporation had approved tax credits and sales and use tax exemptions under the program in the amount of \$188,911,588.41. The approval of an additional \$1,000,000 in tax credits and sales and use tax exemptions, along with a reduction in sales and use tax exemptions of \$2,531,461.72, would bring the cumulative total of approved tax credits, sales and use tax exemptions, and/or loans to \$187,380,126.69. Currently \$59.7 million dollars have been appropriated into the Rebuild Rhode Island Tax Credit Fund. Additional funding is expected in future legislative sessions and section 42-64.20-5(f) authorized aggregate tax credits, sales and use tax exemptions, and/or loans under the Rebuild Rhode Island Tax Credit program in an amount not to exceed \$210 million. Pursuant to section 42-64.20-6(a)(4), OMB confirms that the aggregate credits recommended by the Commerce Corporation do not exceed the maximum aggregate credits allowed under this chapter in accordance with § 42-64.20-5(f).

Based on information provided by the Corporation, OMB anticipates the budget impact to the state of the tax credits, sales and use tax exemptions, and/or loans, if approved, in the year of application and in subsequent years will be as set forth in the attached Exhibit A







Estimated Sales Tax Rebates by Fiscal Year																				
Fiscal Year - Sales Tax Rebates	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	Total
1 45 Pike <sup>(1)</sup>	404,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 78 Fountain Street	-	-	-	-	900,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	900,000
3 A.T. Cross <sup>(1)</sup>	67,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Agoda <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Aloft Hotel	-	-	-	-	1,500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500,000
6 Bristol Belvedere	-	-	-	-	-	166,270	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166,270
7 Case Mead <sup>(1)</sup>	225,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 Chestnut Commons	-	-	-	572,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	572,000
9 Downcity II	-	-	-	-	378,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	378,000
10 Dexter Street	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000,000
11 Electric Boat	-	-	-	-	5,700,000	-	3,900,000	-	-	-	-	6,700,000	-	-	-	1,700,000	-	-	-	18,000,000
12 Farm Fresh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A - Tax Exempt
13 Finlay	-	-	-	471,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	471,500
14 Gotham Greens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Hope Artiste	-	-	-	450,597	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450,597
16 Immunex RI Corporation	-	-	-	-	3,255,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,255,000
17 Infinity Meat	-	-	-	1,800,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800,000
18 Infosys	-	-	-	100,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000
19 Innovate Newport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A - Tax Exempt
20 Lippitt Mill	-	-	-	230,691	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	230,691
21 Louttit Laundry	-	-	-	271,239	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	271,239
22 Ocean State Job Lot <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	1,232,060	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,232,060
23 ONE MetroCenter	-	-	-	-	-	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500,000
24 Pontiac Mills	-	-	-	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500,000
25 Prospect Heights <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26 Providence Commons	-	-	-	600,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600,000
27 R&W Phase II	-	-	-	96,656	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,656
28 Residence Inn	-	-	-	629,921	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	629,921
29 River House	-	-	-	700,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	700,000
30 Rubius Therapeutics	-	-	-	-	2,700,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,700,000
31 The Edge	-	-	537,176	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	537,176
32 The Edge II	-	-	-	-	-	1,295,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,295,000
33 Union Trust	-	-	194,591	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	194,591
34 Virgin Pulse <sup>(3,4)</sup>	-	42,728	-	68,020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110,748
35 Warwick Hyatt Hotel <sup>(3,4)</sup>	-	531,513	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	531,513
36 Wexford	-	-	-	734,189	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	734,189
37 Blount Fine Foods	-	-	-	-	269,808	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	269,808
38 Mearthane Products	-	-	-	-	63,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	63,000
39 Parade Street	-	-	-	-	196,910	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	196,910
40 Strive Lofts	-	-	-	-	108,171	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108,171
41 Parcel 6	-	-	-	-	670,099	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	670,099
42 Beatrice <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	-	750,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	750,000
43 Fuller Mill	-	-	-	-	169,680	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	169,680
44 Merchant Overseas	-	-	-	-	173,063	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	173,063
45 Millrace I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
46 Nexus Lofts	-	-	-	-	161,700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161,700
47 South Quay Marine Terminal <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
<b>Total Rebuild Sales Tax</b>	<b>\$696,600</b>	<b>\$574,241</b>	<b>\$1,963,827</b>	<b>\$7,974,813</b>	<b>\$17,245,431</b>	<b>\$1,961,270</b>	<b>\$3,900,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,700,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,700,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$42,716,182</b>

**Notes:**

- 1.) Award not anticipated based on updated project status.
- 2.) Company withdrew.
- 3.) Certification approved figures.
- 4.) Warwick Hotel and Virgin Pulse (Phase 1) were certified before change in Sales & Use Tax Rebate regulations.
- 5.) Project was amended in June 2020
- 6.) Project estimates potential \$2.1 million in rebates in FY 22, but these would reduce Rebuild Rhode Island credits if claimed.