

#### SALES TAX EXEMPTION PROCEDURES LETTER

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August 19, 2015

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Re: Orange County Industrial Development Agency and JCA Bridge LLC

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Pursuant to the resolutions duly adopted on July 9, 2015, the **Orange County Industrial Development Agency** (the "Agency") appointed **JCA Bridge LLC** (the "Company") the true and lawful agent of the Agency to undertake a certain project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in an approximately 2.1±-acre portion of an approximately 10±-acre parcel of land located at 600/610 Route 211 East in the Town of Wallkill, Orange County, New York [TMID #: Part of 41-1-60.21] (the "Land"), (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 64,000 square-foot Home2 Suites by Hilton hotel comprised of 95-units (the "Improvements"); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in, on and around the Improvements of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property, including, but not limited to, furniture (collectively, the "Equipment" and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility").

This appointment includes authority to purchase on behalf of the Agency all materials to be incorporated into and made an integral part of the Facility and the following activities as they relate to any construction, erection and completion of any buildings, whether or not any materials, equipment or supplies described below are incorporated into or become an integral part of such buildings: (1) all purchases, leases, rentals and other uses of tools, machinery and equipment in connection with construction and equipping, (2) all purchases, rentals, uses or consumption of supplies, materials, utilities and services of every kind and description used in connection with construction and equipping and (3) all purchases, leases, rentals and uses of equipment, machinery and other tangible personal property (including installation costs), installed or placed in upon or under such building or facility, including all repairs and replacements of such property.

This agency appointment includes the power to delegate such agency, in whole or in part to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents, if any, and to such other parties as the Company chooses, as is set forth in the Agent Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2015, by and between the Agency and the Company (the "Agent Agreement"). As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, the Company is required to complete "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes" (NYS Form ST-60) for each agent, subagent, contractor, subcontractor, if any, and such other parties as the Company chooses who provide materials, equipment, supplies or services and execute said form as agent for the Agency and forward said form to the New York State ("State") Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, in order to be entitled to use the exemption from New York State Sales and Use Taxes ("Sales Tax"), the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors, if any, should present to the supplier or vendor of materials for the Project, a completed "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (NYS Form ST-123), to show that the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors are each acting as agent for the Agency in making the purchases of tangible personal property or services for use in the Project, thereby relieving such vendor or seller from the obligation to collect Sales Tax with respect to the construction and installation and equipping of the Facility. In connection therewith, it is necessary for the Company to identify the Project on each bill or invoice and indicate thereon which of the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors acted as agent for the Agency in making the purchases.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, the Company is required to file an annual statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Company, its agents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company by the Agency with respect to this Project, and the Company is required to provide a copy of same to the Agency within thirty (30) days of each filing; provided, however, in no event later than February 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

The agent status conferred on the Company by the Agency is limited to the Project, and will expire on **December 31, 2016.** The Company may apply to extend this agency authority by showing good cause; provided, however, the exemption for leases executed prior to said date shall continue through the term or extended term of said lease and any acquisition of said leased property. Should the agency authority be extended beyond such date, the agency created will continue for as long as the period of the Agency resolution approving such extension.

This letter is provided for the sole purpose of describing the exemption from Sales Tax for this Project only. No other principal/agent relationship is intended or may be implied or inferred by this letter.

This letter is being issued pursuant to the Agent Agreement. All agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project should be aware of the Agent Agreement and obtain a copy thereof.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency is not 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 is the sole party liable thereunder.

Very truly yours,

ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

#### AGENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made as of the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015, by and between the **ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**, a public benefit corporation of the State of New York, having its offices at Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100, New Windsor, New York 12553 (the "Agency") and **JCA BRIDGE LLC**, a limited liability company organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York with offices at 97 West Main Street, Goshen, New York 10924 (the "Company").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency was created by Chapter 565 of the Laws of 1970 of the State of New York pursuant to Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act") as a body corporate and politic and as a public benefit corporation of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in an approximately 2.1±-acre portion of an approximately 10±-acre parcel of land located at 600/610 Route 211 East in the Town of Wallkill, Orange County, New York [TMID #: Part of 41-1-60.21] (the "Land"); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 64,000 square-foot Home2 Suites by Hilton hotel comprised of 95-units (the "Improvements"); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in, on and around the Improvements of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property, including, but not limited to, furniture (collectively, the "Equipment" and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted on July 9, 2015 (the "Resolution"), the Agency authorized the Company to act as its agent for the purposes of undertaking the Project subject to the Company entering into this Agent Agreement and, pursuant to the Resolution and this Agent Agreement, the Company has the power to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses including but not limited to the individuals and entities described on **Schedule A** attached hereto. The Company shall have the right to amend **Schedule A** from time to time and shall be responsible for maintaining an accurate list of all parties acting as agent for the Agency.

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:

1. <u>Scope of Agency</u>. The Company hereby agrees to limit its activities as agent for the Agency under the authority of the Resolution to acts reasonably related to the undertaking of the Project. The right of the Company to act as agent of the Agency shall expire on **December 31, 2016**, unless extended as contemplated by the Resolution. The aggregate amount of work performed as Agent for the Agency shall not exceed the amounts described in the Application of the Company in this matter. All contracts entered into by the Company as agent for the Agency shall include the following language:

"This contract is being entered into by JCA BRIDGE LLC (the "Agent"), as agent for and on behalf of the ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL **DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "Agency"), in connection with a certain project of the Agency for the benefit of the Agent 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 600/610 Route 211 East in the Town of Wallkill, Orange County, New York (being more particularly described as TMID No. Part of 41-1-60.21) (the "Premises"). 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 the sales and use taxes levied by the State of New York if the acquisition thereof is effected in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the attached sales tax exemption letter of the Agency; and the Agent hereby represents that this contract is in compliance with the terms of the Agent Agreement by and between the Agent and the Agency. 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 is this paragraph."

- 2. <u>Representations and Covenants of the Company.</u> The Company makes the following representations and covenants in order to induce the Agency to proceed with the Project:
- (a) The Company is a limited liability company duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York (the "State"), has the authority to enter into this Agreement and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Agreement.
- (b) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the provisions of this 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 Facility and the operation thereof will conform with all applicable zoning, planning, building and environmental laws and regulations of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the 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 Agreement.

- The Company covenants that the Facility will comply in all 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 Facility except in compliance with all material applicable laws, (ii) the Company will take all reasonable and prudent steps to prevent an unlawful release of hazardous substances onto the Facility or onto any other property, (iii) that no asbestos will be incorporated into or disposed of on the Facility, (iv) that no underground storage tanks will be located on the 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 Facility, the Company agrees to pay the expenses of same to the Agency upon demand, and agrees that upon failure to do so, its obligation for such expenses shall be deemed to be additional rent.
- (f) Any personal property acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency shall be located in the Town Wallkill, New York, except for temporary periods during ordinary use.
- (g) In accordance with Section 875(3) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Company covenants and agrees that, if it receives New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") from the Agency, and it is determined that: (i) the Company is not entitled to the sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized by the Agency to be taken by the Company; (iii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; or (iv) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are taken in cases where the Company fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project, then the Company will (1) cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any sales and use tax exemption benefits, and (2) promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands in connection therewith. The Company further understands and agrees that in the event that the Company fails to pay over such amounts to the Agency, the New York State Tax Commissioner may assess and determine New York State and local sales and use taxes due from the Company, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts.
- (h) The Company further covenants and agrees that the purchase of goods and services relating to the Project and subject to New York State and local sales and use taxes are

estimated in the amount up to \$8,500,000, and, therefore, the value of the sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized and approved by the Agency cannot exceed \$690,000.

- (i) The Company further covenants and agrees to complete "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes" (NYS Form ST-60), in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, for each agent, subagent, contractor, subcontractor, if any, contractors or subcontractors of such agents and subagents, if any, and such other parties as the Company chooses who provide materials, equipment, supplies or services and forward said form to the State Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment.
- (j) The Company further covenants and agrees to file an annual statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Company, its agents, subagents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company with respect to the Project in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 874(8). The Company further covenants and agrees that it will, within thirty (30) days of each filing, provide a copy of same to the Agency; provided, however, in no event later than February 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. 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.
- (k) The Company acknowledges and agrees that all purchases made in furtherance of the Project shall be made using "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (NYS Form ST-123, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, and it shall be the responsibility of the Company (and not the Agency) to complete NYS Form ST-123. The Company acknowledges and agrees that it shall identify the Project on each bill and invoice for such purchases and further indicate on such bills or invoices that the Company is making purchases of tangible personal property or services for use in the Project as agent of the Agency. For purposes of indicating who the purchaser is, the Company acknowledges and agrees that each invoice should state:
  - "I, [NAME OF AGENT/SUBAGENT], certify that I am a duly appointed agent of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the below named IDA project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes under an agent agreement with the Orange County Industrial Development Agency with respect to the JCA Bridge LLC Project, 600/610 Route 211 East, Town of Wallkill, Orange County, New York, IDA project number OSC 3305-15-09A."
- (l) 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 shall be the sole party liable thereunder.
- (m) The Company covenants and agrees that it has reviewed the Agency's Labor Policy and agrees that at least 85% of the construction workers, as that term is defined in the Labor Policy, shall, pursuant to said policy, reside within one of the following counties in the

State of New York: Orange, Dutchess, New York, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster or Westchester, unless the Agency's Executive Director exempts the Company from such requirement.

- (n) Pursuant to Section 862 of the Act, the Project constitutes a "retail" project. The Company represents that the Project is likely to attract a significant number of visitors from outside the economic development region as established by section two-hundred thirty of the New York State Economic Development Law and therefore constitutes a "tourism destination" under the Act.
- 3. 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, officers, members, employees, agents (except 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 Agent Agreement or (ii) liability arising from or expense incurred by the Agency's financing, acquiring, constructing, equipping, owning and leasing of the Equipment or 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 members, directors, officers, agents (other than the Company) 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.
- 4. <u>Insurance Required</u>. Effective as of the date hereof and until the Agency consents in writing to a termination, the Company shall maintain or cause to be maintained insurance against such risks and for such amounts as are customarily insured against by businesses of like size and type and paying, as the same become due and payable, all premiums in respect thereto, including, but not necessarily limited to:
- (a) (i) Insurance against loss or damage by fire, lightning and other casualties, with a uniform standard extended coverage endorsement, such insurance to be in an amount not less than the full replacement value of the Facility, exclusive of excavations and foundations, as determined by a recognized appraiser or insurer selected by the Company or (ii) as an alternative to the above requirements (including the requirement of periodic appraisal), the Company may insure the Facility under a blanket insurance policy or policies covering not only the Facility but other properties as well. Such insurance shall have a commercially reasonable deductible.
- (b) Workers' compensation insurance, disability benefits insurance, and each other form of insurance which the Agency or the Company is required by law to provide, covering loss resulting from injury, sickness, disability or death of employees of the Company who are located at or assigned to the Facility.

- (c) Insurance against loss or losses from liabilities imposed by law or assumed in any written contract and arising from personal injury and death or damage to the property of others caused by any accident or occurrence, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per accident or occurrence on account of personal injury, including death resulting therefrom, and \$1,000,000 per accident or occurrence on account of damage to the property of others, excluding liability imposed upon the Company by any applicable workers' compensation law; and a blanket excess liability policy in the amount not less than \$3,000,000, protecting the Company against any loss or liability or damage for personal injury or property damage.
- 5. Additional Provisions Respecting Insurance. (a) All insurance required by Section 4 hereof shall name the Agency as an additional insured, as its interest may appear. All insurance shall be procured and maintained in financially sound and generally recognized responsible insurance companies selected by the Company and authorized to write such insurance in the State. Such insurance may be written with commercially reasonably deductible amounts comparable to those on similar policies carried by other companies engaged in businesses similar in size, character and other respects to those in which the Company is engaged. All policies evidencing such insurance shall provide for (i) payment of the losses of the Company and the Agency as their respective interest may appear, and (ii) at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of the cancellation thereof to the Company and the Agency, except in the event of non-payment, in which at least ten (10) days prior written notice of the cancellation shall be delivered to the Company and the Agency. All insurance requirements in Section 4 may be satisfied by blanket policies subject to the reasonable approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender (if any) in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency. All or some of Section 4 insurance requirements may be satisfied by an Owner Controlled Insurance Program ("OCIP") subject to approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency.
- (b) All such policies of insurance, or a certificate or certificates of insurance that such insurance is in force and effect, shall be deposited with the Agency on the date hereof. Prior to expiration of any such policy, the Company shall furnish evidence to the Agency that the policy has been renewed or replaced or is no longer required by this Agent Agreement.
- 6. This Agent 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.
- 7. 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, as follows:

To the Agency: Orange County Industrial Development Agency

Orange County Business Accelerator

4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100

New Windsor, New York 12553

Attn.: James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

With a Copy to:

Kevin T. Dowd, Esq.

Attorney - Orange County IDA

46 Daisy Lane

Montgomery, New York 12549

And to:

Harris Beach PLLC

99 Garnsey Road

Pittsford, New York 14534 Attn.: Russell E. Gaenzle, Esq.

To the Company:

JCA Bridge LLC

97 West Main Street

Goshen, New York 10924

Attn.: Chetan Patel, Managing Member

With a Copy to:

MacVean, Lewis, Sherwin & McDermott, P.C.

34 Grove Street

Middletown, New York 10940 Attn.: Thomas P. Clarke, Jr., 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 received or delivery of same is refused by the recipient or personally delivered in the manner provided in this Section.

- 8. This Agreement shall be governed by, and all matters in connection herewith shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State 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 Orange County, New York.
- 9. The parties are contemplating that, after any applicable public hearings, the Agency will negotiate and enter into a lease agreement ("Lease Agreement") and leaseback agreement with the Company. The Company agrees not to take title to any real property as agent for the Agency until the Lease Agreement and Leaseback Agreement have been executed and delivered. At any time prior to the execution of the Lease Agreement and Leaseback Agreement, the Agency can transfer title to the Company of all assets acquired by the Company as agent for the Agency. Additionally, at any time prior to execution of the Lease Agreement and Leaseback Agreement, the Company can demand that the Agency transfer title to the Company with respect to all assets acquired by the Company as agent for the Agency, provided all amounts owed the Agency have been paid current.

10. By executing this Agent Agreement, the Company covenants and agrees to pay all fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Agency for (1) legal services, including but not limited to those provided by the Agency's general counsel or transaction counsel, and (2) other consultants retained by the Agency in connection with the Project; with all such charges to be paid by the Company at the closing or, if the closing does not occur, within ten (10) business days of receipt of the Agency's invoices therefore. The Company is entitled to receive a written estimate of fees and costs of the Agency's transaction counsel.

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 Agreement]

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

Dated: August 19, 2015	ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
	By: James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director
Dated: September, 2015	JCA BRIDGE LLAC
	By: First American Exchange Company, LLC
	By: Mark Bullock, In House Counsel

## [Signature Page to Agent Agreement]

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

Dated: August 19, 2015	ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
	Ву:
	James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director
Dated:, 2015	JCA BRIDGE LLAC
	By: First American Exchange Company, LLC
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	Mark Bullock, In House Counsel

#### **SCHEDULE A**

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

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm I}$  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.

## **EXHIBIT A**

# FORM OF NYS FORM ST-60 TO BE COMPLETED BY COMPANY AND FILED WITH NYS IDA UNIT FOR EACH OF ITS SUBAGENTS

[See Attached]





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

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

Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency				IDA project number (use OS	C numbering s 305-15-0	system for projects 9A	after 1998)
Street address					Telephone		
Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane,	Suite 100				, ,	234-4192	
City New Windsor					State NY	ZIP code 12553	
Name of IDA project operator or agent		X in the box if appointed by the II	DA:	Employer identification	or social s	ecurity number	er
Street address			Telephone n	umber	Pr	imary operator Yes	or agent?
City					State	ZIP code	
Name of project JCA Bridge LLC Project			Purpose of p	project (see instructions	)	<u> </u>	<del></del>
Street address of project site 600/610 Route 211 East							
City Wallkill (Town)					State NY	ZIP code 10941	
Description of goods and services intended to be exempted from New York State and local sales and use taxes	Materials, equip	ment, services	and other ta	angible personal p	roperty u	sed	
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600/610 Route 211 East in the Town of Wallkill, Oran	nge County, New	York 10941.			-		
Date project operator or agent appointed (mm/dd/yy)	Date project opera agent status ends	tor or (mm/dd/yy) 12/	/31/16			ox if this is a ginal project:	
Estimated value of goods and services that will be exempt fr and local sales and use tax:	rom New York State	Estimated value	e of New Yor	k State and local sale	es and us	e tax exemp	tion
\$8,500,000 (All Agents, All In)		\$690,000 (A	ll Agents, All	l In)			
Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, of with the knowledge that willfully providing false or fraudulen Law, punishable by a substantial fine and possible jail sente information entered on this document.	nt information with t	his document ma	ay constitute a	a felony or other crim	e under N	lew York Sta	ite
Print name of officer or employee signing on behalf of the IDA James R. Petro, Jr.		Print title Executive	Director			-	
Signature Signature Signature Signature			Da	te	Telephone (845)	number 234-4192	
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#### Filing requirements

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

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 need not file this form if the IDA does 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, the IDA must, within 30 days of the change, file a new form with the new information.

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 must, within 30 days, 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. It should attach to the letter a copy of the form it originally filed. The IDA need not send a letter for a form that is not valid merely because the "Completion date of project" has passed.

#### Purpose of project

For Purpose of project, enter one of the following:

- Services
- Agriculture, forestry, fishing
- Finance, insurance, real estate
- Transportation, communication, electric, gas, sanitary services
- Construction
- Wholesale trade
- Retail trade
- Manufacturing
- Other (specify)

#### Instructions

Mailing instructions Mail completed form to:

> NYS TAX DEPARTMENT **IDA UNIT** W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS **ALBANY NY 12227**

#### **Privacy notification**

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## **EXHIBIT B-1**

## NYS FORM ST-123 FOR COMPANY

[See Attached]



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

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

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Name of seller			Name of agent or project opera JCA Bridge LLC	tor			
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			97 West Main Street				
City, town, or village	State	ZIP code	City, town, or village		State	ZIP cod	le
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Name of project				IDA project nu	mber (use OSC	number)	
JCA Bridge LLC Project				3305-15-0	09A		
Street address of project site			<del> </del>	<u> </u>			
600/601 Route 11 East							
City, town, or village					State	ZIP code	<del></del>
Wallkill (Town)					NY	100	044
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#### Instructions

#### To the purchaser

You may use Form ST-123 if you:

- have been appointed as an agent or project operator by an industrial development agency (IDA) and
- the purchases qualify for exemption from sales and use tax as described in the IDA contract.

You may use Form ST-123 as a single-purchase certificate or as a blanket certificate covering the first and subsequent purchases qualifying for the project listed.

**Agent or project operator sales tax ID number** — If you are registered with the Tax Department for sales tax purposes, you must enter your sales tax identification number on this certificate. If you are not required to be registered, enter *N/A*.

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#### To the seller

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As a New York State registered vendor, you may accept an exemption certificate in lieu of collecting tax and be protected from liability for the tax if the certificate is valid. The certificate will be considered valid if it is:

- · accepted in good faith;
- · in your possession within 90 days of the transaction; and
- · properly completed (all required entries were made).

An exemption certificate is accepted in good faith when you have no knowledge that the exemption certificate is false or is fraudulently given, and you exercise reasonable ordinary due care. If you do not receive a properly completed certificate within 90 days after the delivery of the property or service, you will share with the purchaser the burden of proving the sale was exempt.

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## **EXHIBIT B-2**

## NYS FORM ST-123 FOR SUBAGENTS OF COMPANY

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Signature of purchaser or purchaser's representative (include title and relationship) Date Type or print the name, title, and relationship that appear in the signature box

#### Instructions

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Claimed by Agent/Project Operator of Industrial Development Agency/Authority (IDA)

5T-340

For Period Ending December 31, \_\_\_\_\_ (enter year) **Project information** Name of IDA agent/project operator Federal employer identification number (FEIN) JCA Bridge LLC 47-1629775 Street address Telephone number 97 West Main Street ( 845 ) 341-7395 City State ZIP code Goshen NY 10924 Name of IDA agent/project operator's authorized representative, if any Title Street address Telephone number City State ZIP code Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency Name of project JCA Bridge LLC Project Street address of project site 600/610 Route 211 East State ZIP code Wallkill (Town) NY 10941 X Project purpose (mark an X Services Construction Agriculture, forestry, fishing in the appropriate box): Wholesale trade ☐ Retail trade ☐ Finance, insurance or real estate Transportation, communication, electric, gas, or sanitary services ☐ Manufacturing Other (specify) 2 Date project began (mm/dd/yy): 3 Beginning date of construction or installation (mm/dd/yy; see instructions): \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_; ☐ actual ☐ expected 4 Completion date of construction phase of project (mm/dd/yy; see instructions): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_; 

actual 

expected 5 Completion date of project (mm/dd/yy; see instructions); \_\_\_\_\_/ : \_\_\_ actual 6 Duration of project (actual or expected; years/months): 7 Total sales and use tax exemptions (actual tax savings; NOT total purchases) ...... 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, employee, or authorized representative signing for the IDA agent/project operator | Title of person signing Signature Date

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

#### What must be reported?

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

The report requires only the **total combined** exemptions obtained by the above people. A break down of the total is not required. However, since the report must include the value of the exemptions they obtained, the agent/project operator must keep records of the amounts others report to the agent/project operator.

It is important that the agent/project operator make it clear to the contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and others that they must keep accurate tax information and have it available so that the agent/project operator can comply with the annual reporting requirements.

Do not include in this report the amount of any sales and use tax exemptions arising out of 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).

See instructions below for additional information required.

#### When is the report 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 the name, address, federal employer identification number (FEIN), and telephone number of the IDA agent/project operator.

## Name of IDA agent/project operator's authorized representative

Enter the name, address, title (for example, attorney or accountant), and telephone number of the individual authorized by the IDA agent/project operator to submit this report.

#### Name of IDA

Enter the name and address of the IDA. If more than one IDA is involved in a particular project, the IDA agent/project operator must file a separate report for the tax exemptions attributable to each IDA.

#### Name of project

Enter the name of the project and the address of the project site. If the IDA agent is involved in more than one project, a separate report must be filed by the IDA agent/project operator for each project, even if authorized by the same IDA.

#### Line instructions

**Line 1 — Project purpose** — Mark an **X** in the box that identifies the purpose of the project. If you mark *Other*, please be specific in identifying its purpose.

**Line 2** — 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.

**Line 3** — Enter the date you, or your general contractor or subcontractor, actually began, or expect to begin, construction or installation on the project. Mark an **X** in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected. If the project does not involve any construction, enter **Does not apply.** 

**Line 4** — Enter the date the construction phase of the project was completed or is expected to be completed. Mark an *X* in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected.

**Line 5** — 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.

**Line 6** — Enter the total number of years and months from the project's inception to its completion or expected completion.

Line 7 — Enter the total amount of New York State and local sales and use taxes exempted during the reporting period (if none, enter 0) as a result of the project's receipt of IDA financial assistance. 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 on line 7.

#### Signature area

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

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## **Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate**

ST-120.1

To be used only by contractors who are registered with the Tax Department for sales tax purposes.

#### To vendors:

You must collect tax on any sale of taxable property or services unless the contractor gives you a properly completed exempt purchase certificate not later than 90 days after the property is sold or service is rendered. In addition, you must keep the certificate for at least three years, as explained in the instructions.

This form cannot be used to purchase motor fuel or diesel motor fuel exempt from tax.

To contractors and vendors: read the instructions on pages 3 and 4 carefully before completing or accepting this certificate.

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Note: This certificate is not valid unless the purchaser completes the certification on page 2.

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F. The machinery or equipment will be used directly and predominantly to control, prevent, or abate pollution or contaminants from manufacturing or industrial facilities.	J. The services are for the project described in line 2 on page 1 and will be resold. (This includes trash removal services in connection with repair services to real property.)
G. The tangible personal property is residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment. (Note: Item G purchases are exempt from the 4% New York State tax rate and from the 3%% MCTD rate. Item G purchases may be exempt from local taxes. See instructions.)	K. The services are to install, maintain, service, or repair tangible personal property used in an Internet data center, for telecommunication or Internet access services, or for radio or television broadcast production or transmission.
<ul> <li>H. The tangible personal property will be used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, Tangible Personal Property Purchased for Leased Commercial Office Space in Lower Manhattan, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located, and where such property is purchased during the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease and delivered to the leased premises no later than 90 days after the end of that first year.</li> <li>I. The tangible personal property is machinery or equipment used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at a qualified marine terminal facility in New York City. This exemption does not apply to the local tax in New York City.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>L. The services are to install, maintain, service, or repair tangible personal property that will be used predominantly either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both.</li> <li>M. The services are to install residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment.</li> <li>N. The services are to install tangible personal property purchased during the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease and delivered to the leased premises no later than 90 days after the end of that first year, that will be used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S.</li> </ul>
Caution: Contractors may not use this certificate to purchas customers in connection with a project. Construction equipm completing a project but that do not become part of the finis the use of this certificate.	nent, tools, and supplies purchased or rented for use in
Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete make these statements and issue this exemption certificate with the sales or use taxes do not apply to a transaction or transactions for whether with the intent to evade any such tax may constitute a felony or other and a possible jail sentence. I understand that this document is required Department for the purposes of Tax Law section 1838 and is deem purpose of prosecution of offenses. I also understand that the Tax Defense statement and the accuracy of any information entered on	knowledge that this document provides evidence that state and loca hich I tendered this document and that willfully issuing this document are crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine ired to be filed with, and delivered to, the vendor as agent for the Taxled a document required to be filed with the Tax Department for the epartment is authorized to investigate the validity of tax exclusions of
Type or print name and title of owner, partner, or authorized person of purcl Chetan Patel, Managing Member	
Signature of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchasing contractor	Date prepared

#### Instructions

Only a contractor who has a valid *Certificate of Authority* issued by the Tax Department may use this exempt purchase certificate. The contractor must present a properly completed certificate to the vendor to purchase tangible personal property, or to a subcontractor to purchase services tax exempt. This certificate is not valid unless all entries have been completed.

The contractor may use this certificate to claim an exemption from sales or use tax on tangible personal property or services that will be used in the manner specified in items A through N below. The contractor may not use this certificate to purchase tangible personal property or services tax exempt on the basis that Form ST-124, Certificate of Capital Improvement, has been furnished by the project owner to the contractor.

The contractor must use a separate Form ST-120.1, Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate, for each project.

Purchase orders showing an exemption from the sales or use tax based on this certificate must contain the address of the project where the property will be used, as well as the name and address of the project owners (see page 1 of this form). Invoices and sales or delivery slips must also contain this information (name and address of the project for which the exempt purchases will be used or where the exempt services will be rendered, as shown on page 1 of this form).

#### Use of the certificate

This certificate may be used by a contractor to claim exemption from tax only on purchases of **tangible personal property** that is (**Note:** Unless otherwise stated, the customer must furnish the contractor a properly completed Form ST-121, *Exempt Use Certificate.*):

- A. Incorporated into real property under the terms of a contract entered into with an exempt organization that has furnished the contractor with a copy of Form ST-119.1, Exempt Organization Exempt Purchase Certificate, governmental purchase order, or voucher.
- **B.** Incorporated into real property and is production machinery or equipment.
- C. Used in one of the following situations:
  - Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property related to providing Web site services for sale to be installed in an Internet data center when the property is to be incorporated as part of a capital improvement. The customer must furnish the contractor a completed Form ST-121.5, Exempt Use Certificate for Operators of Internet Data Centers (Web Hosting).
  - Used directly and predominantly in the receiving, initiating, amplifying, processing, transmitting, re-transmitting, switching, or monitoring of switching of telecommunications services for sale, or Internet access service for sale.
  - Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property (including parts, tools, and supplies) used by a television or radio broadcaster directly and predominantly in the production and post-production of live or recorded programs used by a-broadcaster predominantly for broadcasting by the broadcaster either over-the-air or for transmission through a cable television or direct broadcast satellite system. (Examples of exempt machinery and equipment include cameras, lights, sets, costumes, and sound equipment.) This exemption also includes machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property used by a broadcaster directly and predominantly to transmit live or recorded programs.

(Examples of exempt machinery and equipment include amplifiers, transmitters, and antennas.)

- D. Installed or placed in the project in such a way that it remains tangible personal property after installation. No exemption certificate is required from the customer. However, the contractor must collect tax from its customer when selling such tangible personal property or related services to the customer, unless the customer gives the contractor an appropriate and properly completed exemption certificate.
- E. Used predominantly (more than 50%) either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both, for which the customer has provided the contractor a completed Form ST-125, Farmer's and Commercial Horse Boarding Operator's Exemption Certificate. The exemption is allowed on tangible personal property whether or not the property is incorporated into a building or structure.
- F. Machinery or equipment used directly and predominantly to control, prevent, or abate pollution or contaminants from manufacturing or industrial facilities.
- Residential and, beginning January 1, 2013, commercial solar energy systems equipment. Residential solar energy systems equipment means an arrangement or combination of components installed in a residence that utilizes solar radiation to produce energy designed to provide heating, cooling, hot water, and/or electricity. Commercial solar energy systems equipment means an arrangement or combination of components installed upon nonresidential premises that utilize solar radiation to produce energy designed to provide heating, cooling, hot water, or electricity. The exemption is allowed on the 4% New York State tax rate and where applicable, the 3/8% MCTD rate. The exemption does not apply to local taxes unless the locality specifically enacts the exemption. The customer must furnish the contractor a completed Form ST-121 by completing the box marked Other (U.). For the definition of residence and for an exception relating to recreational equipment used for storage, as well as for other pertinent information, see TSB-M-05(11)S, Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Residential Solar Energy Systems Equipment. For the definition of nonresidential premises, as well as other pertinent information, see TSB-M-12(14)S, Sales and Use Tax Exemption for the Sales and Installation of Commercial Solar Energy Systems Equipment.
- H. Delivered and used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, Tangible Personal Property Purchased for Leased Commercial Office Space in Lower Manhattan, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located, and where such property is purchased within the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease.
- I. Machinery and equipment used at qualified marine terminal facilities located in New York City. The machinery and equipment must be used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at marine terminal facilities located in New York City that handled more than 350,000 twenty foot equivalent units (TEUs) in 2003. For purposes of this exemption, the term TEU means a unit of volume equivalent to the volume of a twenty-foot container. This exemption does not apply to the local tax in New York City.

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This certificate may also be used by a contractor to claim exemption from tax on the following **services**:

J. Installing tangible personal property, including production machinery and equipment, that does not become a part of the real property upon installation.

Repairing real property, when the services are for the project named on page 1 of this form and will be resold.

Trash removal services rendered in connection with repair services to real property, if the trash removal services will be resold.

**Note:** Purchases of services for resale can occur between prime contractors and subcontractors or between two subcontractors. The retail seller of the services, generally the prime contractor, must charge and collect tax on the contract price, unless the project owner gives the retail seller of the service a properly completed exemption certificate.

- K. Installing, maintaining, servicing, or repairing tangible personal property used for Web hosting, telecommunication or Internet access services, or by a broadcaster (described in item C on page 3).
- L. Installing, maintaining, servicing, or repairing tangible personal property that will be used predominantly either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both (described in item E on page 3).
- M. Installing qualifying residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment (described in item G on page 3).
- N. Installing tangible personal property delivered to and used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located.

#### To the purchaser

#### Misuse of this certificate

Misuse of this exemption certificate may subject you to serious civil and criminal sanctions in addition to the payment of any tax and interest due. These include:

- · A penalty equal to 100% of the tax due;
- A \$50 penalty for each fraudulent exemption certificate issued;

- Criminal felony prosecution, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence; and
- Revocation of your Certificate of Authority, if you are required to be registered as a vendor. See TSB-M-09(17)S, Amendments that Encourage Compliance with the Tax Law and Enhance the Tax Department's Enforcement Ability, for more information.

#### To the seller

Do not accept this Form ST-120.1 unless all entries have been completed. The contractor must give you a properly completed exemption certificate **no later than 90 days after delivery** of the property or service; otherwise, the sale will be deemed to have been taxable at the time the transaction took place. When a certificate is received after the 90-day period, both the seller (vendor) and contractor assume the burden of proving that the sale was exempt, and both may have to provide additional substantiation.

Your failure to collect sales or use tax, as a result of accepting an improperly completed exemption certificate or receiving the certificate more than 90 days after the sale, will make you personally liable for the tax plus any penalty and interest charges due.

You must keep this exemption certificate for at least three years after the due date of the last return to which it relates, or after the date when the return was filed, if later. You must also maintain a method of associating an exempt sale made to a particular customer with the exemption certificate you have on file for that customer.

Caution: You will be subject to additional penalties if you sell tangible personal property or services subject to tax, or purchase or sell tangible personal property for resale, without possessing a valid *Certificate of Authority*. In addition to the criminal penalties imposed under the New York State Tax Law, you will be subject to a penalty of up to \$500 for the first day on which such a sale or purchase is made; plus up to \$200 for each subsequent day on which such a sale or purchase is made, up to the maximum allowed.

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August 19, 2015

<u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL:</u> RETURN RECEIPT REOUESTED

NYS Tax Department, IDA Unit Building 8, Room 657 W. A. Harriman Campus Albany, New York 12227

> Re: <u>Orange County Industrial Development Agency</u> Form ST-60 – Appointment of Project Agent

Dear Sir\Madam:

On behalf of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency, I have enclosed for filing a NYS Form ST-60 – IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent for:

### JCA Bridge LLC

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Lori A. Palmer

Paralegal

Enclosures

cc.:

James R. Petro, Jr. (OCIDA)

Chetan Patel



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

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

ST-60

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

Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency			IDA project number (use OSC 330	numbering sys	tem for projects after 1998)
Street address	····	<del></del>		Telephone n	
Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100	<u>)</u>			845) 23	34-4192
City New Windsor				State NY	ZIP code 12553
Name of IDA project operator or agent JCA Bridge LLC	Mark an X in the box if directly appointed by the II	DA: X	Employer Identification 6	or social sec -4629775	curity number
Street address 97 West Main Street		Telephone n ( 845 ) 34		Prim	ary operator or agent? Yes No
City Goshen				State NY	ZiP code 10924
Name of project JCA Hospitality, LLC Project		Purpose of p	project (see instructions)		
Street address of project site 600/610 Route 211 East					
City Walikili (Town)				State NY	ZIP code 10941
Description of goods and services intended to be exempted from New York State and local sales and use taxes	equipment, services	and other to	angible personal pro	perty use	ed
in connection with the construction of an approx. $64,000 \ \text{sq.}$ ft.	Home2Suites by Hilto	n hotel loca	ited at		
600/610 Route 211 East in the Town of Wallkill, Orange County	y, New York 10941.				
Date project operator or agent appointed (mm/dd/yy) 08/19/15 Date project agent statu	ct operator or 12/	31/16	Mark an X extension	in the box to an origin	If this is an
Estimated value of goods and services that will be exempt from New Yo and local sales and use tax:	ork State Estimated valu	e of New Yor	k State and local sales	and use	tax exemption
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Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, are with the knowledge that willfully providing faise or fraudulent information Law, punishable by a substantial fine and possible jail sentence. I also information entered on this document.	n with this document ma	v constitute a	a felony or other crime	under Ne	w York State
Print name of officer or employee signing on behalf of the IDA James R. Petro, Jr.	Print title Executive	Director		-	
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#### Filing requirements

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

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 need not file this form if the IDA does 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, the IDA must, within 30 days of the change, file a new form with the new information.

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 must, within 30 days, send a letter to the address below for filling this form, indicating that the appointment has been amended, revoked, or cancelled, or is no longer valid, and the effective date of the change. It should attach to the letter a copy of the form it originally filed. The IDA need not send a letter for a form that is not valid merely because the "Completion date of project" has passed.

#### Purpose of project

For Purpose of project, enter one of the following:

ServicesAgriculture, forestry, fishing

Agriculture, forestry, fishing
 Finance, insurance, real estate
 Transportation, communication,

Transportation, communication, electric, gas, sanitary services

- Construction

Construction
Wholesale trade
Retail trade

ManufacturingOther (specify)

#### instructions

Mailing Instructions
Mail completed form to:

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

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