## Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency Public Hearing Minutes October 28, 2021

The Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency held a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 28, 2021, at the 800 Starbuck Avenue, Suite 800, Watertown, New York, and via live stream for **MLR Realty LLC** for a Straight Lease transaction.

## Project Information:

MLR Realty, LLC, for itself and/or on behalf of an entity to be formed (collectively, the õCompanyö), has submitted an Application for Financial Assistance (the õApplicationö) requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a certain project (the õProjectö) consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in an approximately 40 acres of real property located at or adjacent to 901 Rail Drive, Watertown, New York 13601 (the õLandö, being more particularly described as TMID No 9-43-101.008 (approx. 21 acres), portions of TMID No 9-43-101.220 (approximately 10 acres), TMID No 9-43-101.210 (approximately 6 acres), and 9-26-102.001 approximately 3 acres)), along with the existing improvements located thereon including approximately 100,000 square feet of building space and related onsite improvements (the õExisting Improvementsö) utilized for warehousing, storage and office space by Renzi Bros, Inc. d/b/a Renzi Food Service (õRenzi Foodserviceö), (ii) the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, modification and equipping of the Existing Improvements and the addition of approximately 20,000 square feet of building addition to provide for expanded docking, refrigerated storage and warehousing space, including warehousing, storage, shipping, receiving, office and mechanical spaces, additional external parking improvements, driveways, curbage, landscaping, storm water management and related site improvements (collectively, the õImprovementsö), and (iii) the acquisition in and around the Improvements and of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property and equipment (the õEquipmentö and, collectively with the Land, the Existing Improvements and the Improvements, the õFacilityö), and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the õStraight Lease Transactionö).

The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance to the Company with respect to the Project (collectively, the õFinancial Assistanceö) in the form of: (A) an exemption from all State and local sales and use taxes with respect to qualifying personal property included in or incorporated into the Facility or used in the acquisition, construction or equipping of the Facility; (B) mortgage recording tax exemption(s) relating to financings undertaken by the Company in furtherance of the Project; and (C) a partial real property tax abatement provided through a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement (õPILOT Agreementö).

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## MLR Realty LLC

Staff: David Zembiec, CEO; Marshall Weir, Deputy CEO; Peggy Sampson, Executive Assistant

Public Present: None

Mr. Zembiec opened the hearing at 10:30 a.m. and read the public hearing notice and public hearing rules.

There was no public in attendance nor on the live stream chat; therefore, there was no public comment.

At 10:36 a.m., Mr. Zembiec closed the hearing.

David Zembiec Hearing Officer