



Dear Waterfront Stakeholder,

The Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation (“ECHDC” or the “Corporation”), a subsidiary of the New York State Urban Development Corporation, doing business as Empire State Development (“ESD”), pursuant to Section 16(2) of the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act (Chapter 174, Section 1, Laws of 1968, as amended) (the “Act”), adopted a General Project Plan (the “Plan”) with respect to the Buffalo Outer Harbor Civic and Land Use Improvement Project (the “Project”) on November 9, 2020.

The Project would involve necessary environmental remediation and development of recreational facilities to improve approximately 208 acres of vacant, substandard or underutilized property stretching along a nearly one-and-a-half-mile stretch Lake Erie waterfront with sitewide elements, features, and amenities, along with specific improvements in Project subareas. The total Project cost is expected to be approximately \$150 million, with a Phase 1 investment of nearly \$45 million beginning in 2021. The Phase 1 funding sources include ECHDC via New York Power Authority Relicensing Agreement, Empire State Development Regional Innovation Cluster Grant (“Buffalo Billion”), and federal funds.

The Corporation will file such Plan in the offices of the Erie County Clerk at 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, NY 14202.

Copies of the Plan are available without charge to any person who shall make a request for the same at the office of the Corporation. Send email requests to: Landgprojectcomments@esd.ny.gov Subject: Plan-Buffalo Outer Harbor Civic and Land Use Improvement Project.

A copy of the Plan is also available for inspection at: <https://esd.ny.gov/erie-canal-harbor-development-corporation-projects>.

Please note, that, in accordance with Section 16(2) of the Act, as modified by Executive Orders 202.11 and 202.71, the public is given an opportunity to comment on the Project by submitting comments electronically to Landgprojectcomments@esd.ny.gov Subject: Comment--Buffalo Outer Harbor Civic and Land Use Improvement Project by 5:30 p.m. on December 9, 2020.