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Bennington, VT 05201
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January 30, 2019

Via E-Filing

Mr. Frank Gardner
EPA Region 1
5 Post Office Square
Suite 100, Mail Code OSRR7-2
Boston, MA 02109-3912

Re: Putnam Block – 2019 EPA Clean-Up Grant

Dear Mr. Gardner:

Enclosed please find Bennington County Industrial Corp's application for a $500,000 Clean Up Grant Application for the Putnam Block Redevelopment project in Bennington, Vermont.

1. Applicant Identification: Bennington County Industrial Corp (BCIC), 111 South Street, Suite 203, Bennington, VT 05201
2. Funding Requested
    a. Grant Type: Single Site Cleanup
    b. Federal Funds Requested
        i. $500,000
        ii. BCIC is not requesting a cost-share waiver.
    c. Contamination: Hazardous Substances
3. Location: Bennington, Bennington County, Vermont
4. Property Information: Putnam Block, 321 Main Street, Bennington, VT 05201
5. Contacts
    a. Project Director: William Colvin, BCRC, 111 South Street, Suite 203, Bennington, VT 05201, (ph) (802) 442-0713, bcolvin@bcrcvt.org
    b. Chief Executive/Highest Ranking Elected Official: William Colvin, Executive Director, BCIC, 111 South Street, Suite 203, Bennington, VT 05201, (ph) (802) 442-0713, bcolvin@bcrcvt.org
6. Population: 15,764

7. Other Factors Checklist:

Other Factors	**Page #**
Community population is 10,000 or less	
The applicant is, or will assist, a federally recognized Indian tribe or United States territory.	
The proposed brownfield site(s) is impacted by mine-scarred land.	
Secured firm leveraging commitment ties directly to the project and will facilitate completion of the project/redevelopment; secured resource is identified in the Narrative and substantiated in the attached documentation.	Pg. 4 & Attachment A
The proposed site(s) is adjacent to a body of water (i.e., the border of the site(s) is contiguous or partially contiguous to the body of water, or would be contiguous or partially contiguous with a body of water but for a street, road, or other public thoroughfare separating them).	Pg. 2
The proposed site(s) is in a federally designated flood plain.	Pg. 2
The redevelopment of the proposed cleanup site(s) will facilitate renewable energy from wind, solar, or geothermal energy; or any energy efficiency improvement projects.	Pg. 3

8. Letter from the State or Tribal Environmental Authority: A letter from Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VT DEC) can be found at Attachment 1 to this letter.

Sincerely,

Bill Colvin
Executive Director

Attachment 1

Letter from State

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AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

January 14, 2019

Bennington County Industrial Corporation
Attn: Mr. William Colvin
111 South Street, Suite 203
Bennington, VT 05201

Dear Mr. Colvin,

This letter will serve as acknowledgement that the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation is aware that the Bennington County Industrial Corporation is intending to apply for a cleanup grant for the Putnam Block Site located at 321 Main Street, Bennington, VT.

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation is appreciative of your intent to support brownfield cleanup and redevelopment in Vermont. Please know that the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation is here to support your organization with the cleanup activities at this property.

Good luck in the competition.

Sincerely,

Patricia Coppolino, Environmental Program Manager
Sites Management Section
Waste Management and Prevention Division

1. Project Area Description and Plans for Revitalization

a. Target Area and Brownfields

i. Background and Description of Target Area

Located in the southwestern corner of VT, Bennington is bordered by the Green Mountains to the east and serves as a "gateway" to the state. Comprised of a compact downtown area with agricultural lands in the southern and western valleys, Bennington is home to a population of 15,764 total residents. Bennington remains the largest and most important center of population and economic activity in southwestern Vermont, and is an important social, cultural, educational and economic resource in the region.

Despite these attributes, Bennington has experienced an extended period of stagnant population, low wages, poverty, and an economy which lags behind the economic growth of other Vermont counties. Bennington is also still recovering from the August 2017 detection of alarming levels of perfluorooctanioc acid (PFOAs) in certain water supplies (private wells) in certain areas of the community.

The target area of this project is the downtown neighborhood, with the Putnam Block standing at the "Four Corners" in the heart of Bennington's downtown district. The 2015 Bennington Downtown Area-Wide Plan describes the project site as: "Once a bustling commercial and manufacturing center, economic activity in downtown Bennington has contracted as industrial technologies evolved and these activities migrated away from Vermont and the northeastern United States during the 20th century. Today this handsome 19th and early 20th century downtown district has many vacant, underutilized and abandoned properties, many with brownfield conditions due to the history of manufacturing in the area." The Putnam Block currently stands today with mostly vacant storefronts, portions of buildings that are in such disrepair they must be torn down, crumbling facades, boarded up or broken windows, and spray painting/vandalism by trespassers.

This project is located in a designated New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) census tract, which has a poverty rate of 25.4%. The NMTC program is a federal program that aims to break the cycle of disinvestment in low-income communities by attracting private capital into low-income communities. The project is also located in a federally-designated Opportunity Zone, which is an economically-distressed community where new investments, under certain circumstances, may be eligible for preferential tax treatment.

There is a strong need to redevelop Bennington's downtown to help revitalize an economically-distressed community, help eradicate poverty, and provide improved resources and services to those living in the downtown area. And yet the revitalization is currently hampered by the presence of three potential brownfield sites in the downtown area.

ii. Description of Brownfields Site

The Putnam Block consists of six contiguous parcels encompassing a 4+acre block located in the heart of the downtown at a main intersection known as the Four Corners. Situated at the intersection of two of the region's major thoroughfares, VT Route 7 (the main north-south thoroughfare in western Vermont) and VT Route 9 (the entryway to southern VT from NY's Capital District), the Putnam Block is perhaps the most highly visible real estate in Bennington.

This proposal relates to one of the Putnam Block parcels – a 1.91-acre parcel that currently contains a paved parking area, three vacant lumber sheds and the area from a prior vacant hardware store/storage building that was demolished this fall. Historical uses of this property include dry cleaning, auto repair, battery service/storage, newspaper printing, paint storage,

carpet cleaning, hardware store with lumber yard, hotel, blacksmith, cold storage, and general store. Upon investigation, trichloroethene (TCE) concentrations in the soil, groundwater and soil gas in concentrations that exceeded residential and industrial screening levels set by the Vermont Dept of Environmental Conservation (VT DEC), and soil levels set by EPA RSLs for residential and industrial soils were found. Groundwater sampling results indicate concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), specifically TCE, in on-site monitoring wells have exceeded the VT Groundwater Enforcement Standard. Minor exceedances of arsenic and lead have been detected in groundwater samples.

This site is located in a federally designated flood plain. (FIRMette 50003C0414D, 12/2/15). The site also would be partially contiguous to stream #106255 but for a street (Washington Ave.) separating them. (VT ANR Natural Resources Atlas).

b. Revitalization of the Target Area

i. Redevelopment Strategy & Alignment with Revitalization Plans

The Bennington Redevelopment Group, LLC (BRG) is a consortium of local business leaders, institutions, and civic-minded investors that organized together in spring 2016 to transform the Putnam Block. All totaled, both stages of the Putnam Block project combined will encompass 66,000+ SF of renovations and 94,000 SF of new construction.

This application relates to the second stage of the two-stage $52 million redevelopment project that proposes to transform the Putnam Block into a vibrant, mixed use downtown space with offices, in-town living, restaurants, and retail establishments. The first stage includes demolition of derelict structures, historic renovations, and environmental mitigation on the eastern side of the property. Financing for this stage is secured, environmental remediation is on-going, and construction is set to begin in the spring.

The second stage, set to occur in 2019-2021 on the two western parcels, is a $27 million project that will include two newly constructed mixed-use buildings with 29 residential units on the upper stories. One will have retail/office space on the first floor and the other contain 30,000+ square feet for medical services. Additionally, partner Housing Vermont will have an option to purchase a portion of this property for construction of up to 30 affordable housing units.

This project is consistent with the numerous studies and planning initiatives conducted over the past decade in Bennington which all speak to the tremendous need to clean up Brownfields properties, and to renovate and re-use existing commercial buildings in the downtown business district in order to revitalize the downtown.

The 2015 Downtown Bennington Area-Wide Plan, led by the Town with direction and support from the Bennington County Regional Planning Commission (BCRC) and the VT DEC, identified the Putnam/Greenberg Block as a "key cluster of properties…strategically situated in the heart of Bennington's downtown and includes over 5 acres of land that could accommodate new development and rehabilitation of existing downtown buildings for new uses" that could benefit from the VT DEC's Brownfields Program intended to protect the public health and environment, and assist in advancing the area's economic vitality by supporting the evaluation and reuse of downtown properties.

The 2015 Town Plan further emphasizes "re-use of existing buildings and vacant commercial and industrial sites, including any brownfield sites that are identified in town." (p. 14), and to "[c]ontinue efforts to maintain and enhance downtown as the commercial, institutional, civic, cultural, and residential center of Bennington." (p. 15) This project is also consistent with the town's downtown designation and 5-year strategic plan that was approved by

the state's Downtown Board.

The major findings from a Market Assessment, prepared in December 2015 by Doug Kennedy Advisors, strongly support the intent and directly inform the design of the Putnam Block Redevelopment Project, including: supporting the creation of commercial space for healthcare services downtown and finding a need for quality housing in Bennington's downtown.

Bennington's Tax Increment Finance District (created in 2017) encompasses its downtown, including the Putnam Block. Indeed, the Putnam Block Redevelopment is the main project featured in the state-approved TIF District Plan.

ii. Outcomes & Benefits of Redevelopment Strategy

The cleanup of this land will allow the site to be redeveloped for the benefit of the entire community, including the downtown target area and low-income individuals. This project will remove blight, provide jobs, create quality housing, contribute to a walkable downtown, and act as a catalyst to stimulate a struggling local economy:

Provide Housing Inventory: Between 2008 and 2014, the Town issued just 8 building permits for multi-family housing (HUD State of Cities, Homefacts, 2016). The Town's 2017 Building Inventory of the Downtown District identified just 160 housing units. Not surprisingly, rental vacancy rates in Town are quite low—3.7% in 2015 according to the US Census Bureau, Factfinder, as compared to 4.5% in Vermont, 5.5% in the northeast, and 7.1% in the U.S. With a median household income of just $25,076 for those living in the downtown core (Kennedy Market Assessment, 2015), the Assessment found there to be "an almost total lack of quality housing in Bennington's downtown core…and the number of quality market rate units within easy walking distance of the downtown core is minimal." This project plans to create 29 safe, new market-rate and affordable housing units. Housing Vermont will have the option to acquire a section of the project property to develop up to 30 additional workforce and affordable housing units.

Employment Opportunities: Between 2000 and 2014, the County lost a net 2,165 jobs (VT Department of Employment, 2015). Based on an IMPLAN analysis, this project will create an estimated 200+ construction-related jobs. Approximately 50 permanent jobs are expected to also be created. It is projected that up to 30 new healthcare-related jobs will be filled by low-to-moderate income employees.

Stimulate Economy: This project will significantly expand the tax base with 44,600+ SF of new commercial tenants and at least 29 new households. Additionally, the redeveloped parcel will bring with it increased tax revenue with the increase in property value associated with the redevelopment – an estimated $962,000 in new state & local taxes annually based on an IMPLAN analysis. Moreover, the project will result in substantially more purchasing power in the downtown – an additional $2.1 million is estimated to be spent annually on local goods and services as a result of the new housing units. (Based on Consumer Expenditure Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2016).

Energy Efficiencies: As is customary, the developer will work with Efficiency VT prior to finalizing construction documents to maximize energy efficiencies in new buildings. Also, developer BRG plans to install roof-top solar arrays on the buildings pending budget feasibility.

Greenspace/Non-profit Healthcare Use: Anchor nonprofit tenant Southwestern Vermont Health Care intends to lease 30,000+ SF to devote to medical services such as a walk-in clinic and dialysis center, providing readily accessible healthcare in a centralized downtown, walkable location. Current plans also provide for a plaza with greenspace for use by downtown residents, employees and visitors.

c. Strategy for Leveraging Resources

i. *Resources Needed for Site Reuse*

The Bennington Redevelopment Group, LLC (BRG) has an option to purchase the property and is committed to redeveloping it. BCIC is in negotiations with Housing Vermont to finalize an option to purchase a portion of the site property once environmental remediation is complete. BRG's and Housing Vermont's purchase is predicated on the remediation of the site.

For the first stage of the project, BRG has raised $4 million in equity and used it to leveraged nearly $23 million in grants (CDBG, VT Housing & Conservation Board, Efficiency VT, State Brownfields), loans (USDA, Town RLF, Regional Commission Brownfields Funds, VT Economic Development Authority (VEDA), traditional lenders), and tax credits (NMTC, Historic, State Downtown).

BRG expects to use similar sources to fund this second stage of redevelopment, including raising additional equity from community leaders. This EPA grant will leverage BRG's matching equity to complete the remediation of this site in anticipation of redevelopment. The project is eligible for grants through VT Housing & Conservation Board, the CDBG program and Efficiency VT. The project is eligible for New Markets Tax Credits, and may seek TIF funding. It is also expected to seek loans from the USDA, Town RLF, VEDA, and traditional lenders. Letters of commitment from BRG and Housing Vermont are at Attachment A.

ii. *Use of Existing Infrastructure*

Existing utilities, including municipal water and sewer, power and internet, will be re-used to the extent possible. Construction of a public parking lot, storm water improvements, new sidewalks and installation of lighting and underground utilities will be required for this project. Potential funding for these infrastructure improvements include TIF funding and a Downtown Transportation Fund Grant.

A state-funded grant provided for the repaving and revamping of the streetscape along downtown Main Street, the street where this project is located, this past summer. A bus terminal/transportation center and a Greyhound bus stop are located within a two-block radius of the site. The municipal offices and the police station are located within one block of the project site; the Bennington Free Library and a US Post Office within two blocks.

2. Community Need and Community Engagement

a. Community Need

i. The Community's Need For Funding

As discussed above in Section 1.a. and b. above, Bennington, with only 15,764 residents, has struggled economically over the past 15 years; this has been memorialized in the target area being designated by federal agencies as part of a New Markets Tax Credit census tract and Opportunity Zone. Between 2000 and 2014, the County lost a net 2,165 jobs (VT Department of Employment, 2015). Given this economic climate, incomes in the Town and County have also been relatively low. In 2010, median family income for a 2-person household in the Town of Bennington was just $50,313, or 20.7% less than the Vermont State figure of $63,482 (U.S. Census Bureau, American Factfinder). The median household income for those living in Bennington's downtown core is just $25,076 (Kennedy Market Assessment, 2015). Not surprisingly, the Town's population has been stagnant throughout the past 15 years, decreasing by 1.9% (US Census Bureau, American Factfinder). The number of households in Town also decreased by 1.1%. This compares unfavorably with the State of Vermont, which had a 6.9% increase between 2000 and 2014 (US Census Bureau, American Factfinder). A Market Assessment found that the "amount of active retail/commercial space has decreased [in the past

10 years], while at least 10 percent of the total available commercial building space is vacant." (Downtown Market Assessment, December 2015).

With a poverty rate of 25.4%, decreasing population and contracting commercial activity/failing economy, the tax base is negatively affected, limiting the community's capacity to obtain the funding to carry out this environmental remediation and future redevelopment project. Thus, without this EPA funding, the remediation and revitalization will not happen.

ii. Threats to Sensitive Populations

1. Health or Welfare of Sensitive Populations

Vacant, under-utilized land - like the site at issue here - distorts the public's image of its community, engendering a defeatist attitude, discouraging tourism and investment. This is particularly true for a site at located in the heart of the downtown, which has significant levels of poverty. Rather than being a drain on taxpayers and community resources (such as the police), the remediated and redeveloped property will instead contribute significantly to the town's tax base, economic activity, the target downtown area and the community at-large. This project will spur a catalytic effect that serves to improve health of the downtown economy and its residents and revitalize a vacant, blighted block. (See Section 1.b.ii). Simply the prospect of what is to be has led to the recent purchase of two neighboring properties—one mixed use building, the other a vacant lot upon which a bank has built.

According to the VT Social Vulnerability Index from the Dept of Health, the project's census tract's population is comprised of 17% children, 18% elderly and 28% disabled, with a Senior Center just a few blocks from the project area. The project's TCE remediation will remove the potential exposure of these sensitive populations to this cancer-causing contaminant.

2. Greater than Normal Incidence of Disease & Adverse Health Conditions

Asthma and cancer are two health conditions associated with exposure to hazardous substances. In Bennington, 13% of the adult population and 9% of children in the Bennington district have been diagnosed with asthma, as compared to 10% of adults statewide and 8.1% nationally (CDC FastStats – Asthma, 2019). TCE is a known human carcinogen, with strong evidence that it can cause kidney cancer. (CDC TCE-ToxFAQs). Ten percent (10%) of adults in the district have been diagnosed with non-skin cancer, as compared to 8% statewide. (Bennington Health Dept District Data, 2015-16). Further, Bennington County's kidney and renal pelvis cancer rate is 23%, significantly higher than the rest of VT and the US (16.4%). (CDC 2011-15 State Cancer Profiles). The site's TCE could be contributing to the increase in cancer rates. This project will reduce the community's possible exposure to, and the effects of, this hazardous substance in the target area. The greenspace and accessibility to healthcare from the redevelopment project should also improve the health of those suffering from asthma.

3. Economically Impoverished/Disproportionately Impacted Populations

As discussed above, the area's population is in decline and the economy has been struggling. The remediation of this parcel will enable two mixed-use buildings to be constructed, including a medical building, making healthcare services readily accessible to downtown residents within walking distance. The upper stories of the buildings are expected to create 29 new residential units, along with another potential 30 affordable units, helping to reverse the area's declining population and allow residents to walk to their jobs and services. Eleven percent (11%) of residents in this census tract have no car available to them. Additionally, 15% are unemployed, 16.6% have no high school diploma, and 69% are single parents. (VT Dept Health). The project is expected to bring 30 new permanent jobs for low-to-moderate income individuals, and 200+ construction jobs. This project will reverse the disinvestment in

Bennington's downtown, create affordable housing, and bring jobs to those who need it most.

b. Community Engagement

i. Community Involvement

Partner Name	Point of Contact	Specific Role In Project
Bennington Redevelopment Group	Bill Colvin bcolvin@bcrcvt.org (802) 442-0713 x1	Clean up: provide matching funds and oversight/advise re: cleanup & planning process; community outreach Redevelopment: leading planning and financing of project; outreach
Bennington County Regional Commission	Jim Sullivan, Exec Dir jsullivan@bcrcvt.org (802) 442-0713 x5	Clean Up: assist with grant compliance & host public meetings Redevelopment: Advise re: redevelopment plans & host meetings
Southwestern Vermont Healthcare	Tom Dee, President/CEO Tom.Dee@svhealthcare.org (802) 442-6361	Redevelopment: project investor/future tenant & advising re: redevelopment plans
Bennington College	Mariko Silver, President msilver@bennington.edu (802) 442-5401	Redevelopment: project investor & advising re: redevelopment plans; hosting meetings and charrettes

ii. Incorporating Community Input

Community input will be achieved through a combination of outreach tools intended to reach as broad an inter-generational cross-section of the community as practicably possible: discussions with community leaders, updates at public community events (like Select Board meetings), email/written communications, and through social media. Developer BRG has created a Facebook page for the project. For the project's current, on-going hazardous remediation relating to the first stage of development, this project's milestones, such as asbestos remediation start dates, have been posted on the Facebook page. The community is able to quickly and easily respond, comment and ask questions. The developer, in consultation with Applicant and the project's QEP, is able to respond to the community in real time. BRG and Applicant also provide updates to the Town at televised Select Board meetings at regular intervals, soliciting comments and questions from both Board members and the public. Stakeholders have held design charrettes involving community leaders to gain community feedback about the redevelopment. Community members here also feel comfortable directly and regularly contacting the developer and state agencies to express concerns and ask for updates about the project. In response, the state or developer will address the citizens' concerns or answer questions via email. In appropriate instances, with coordination of VT DEC and the developer, changes have been made to the strategy and methodology of monitoring of the site. For example, after a citizen notified the state and developer of possible illegal trespass on the site, input from citizens via email and a solicitation by developer on Facebook was considered; in response, developer installed cameras and increased the frequency of site inspections. Given that the current multi-pronged outreach process is effective and known to the community, it will be continued during the next stage of remediation and construction.

3. Tasks Descriptions, Cost Estimates, and Measuring Progress

a. Proposed Cleanup Plan

Based upon the nature and distribution of the contamination identified on this and abutting sites owned by the Applicant, BCIC's qualified environmental professional, in coordination with

VT DEC and community feedback, has developed a state-approved Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to address potential exposure to contaminated soil at the Site. This application focuses on the remediation of TCE contamination on the property, which is ready to begin upon receipt of funding.

The CAP prescribes a combination of limited soil excavation and off-site disposal of TCE impacted soils in conjunction with on-site soil management. The TCE soils will be delineated with additional geoprobe borings, and removed prior to redevelopment activities in the area of the impacted soils to minimize worker exposure to the most highly-contaminated material. The soil excavation will consist of off-site disposal of soils to a depth of 5 feet below ground surface (bgs) within the delineated TCE area. In compliance with the CAP, soil from an abutting Putnam Block parcel owned by BCIC containing polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) is being properly stored (and monitored) on site for re-use as back-fill in the excavated TCE area up to 1.5 feet bgs. Any surplus PAH soil volume will be taken off-site for disposal. The "recycling" of PAH soil allows this project to be as environmentally sustainable as possible. The excavated area will be covered with a geotextile separation barrier and a 1.5-foot clean soil cap (at a minimum) will be placed on top of the fabric to cover the excavation area and limit the direct contact exposure to the remaining contaminated soil. Activity and Use Limitations (AULs) would be established to maintain the integrity of the clean soil cap and address any residual soil contamination remaining on-site. Additionally, to address any issues relating to soil gas, passive vapor barriers will be included in the construction plans of any new residential units planned for the redevelopment. The system will be constructed in a manner that allows for future active extraction of soil gas beneath such buildings, if the need should arise.

Approximately six groundwater monitoring wells will be installed. Groundwater on-site is not used for human consumption, and would be monitored twice a year and analyzed for VOCs. Annual reporting will monitor trends and the effectiveness of the selected soil remedy.

The CAP for the above tasks and a QAPP for the delineation have already been approved by the VT DEC and EPA. Implementation on the abutting parcels is almost complete so that the first stage of redevelopment can begin in the spring. Upon receipt of sufficient funding, the remediation of the project site and the TCE soils can begin so that redevelopment relating to the second stage of the project can move forward in earnest.

b. Description of Tasks and Activities

The following is a description of each task that will be conducted under the cleanup program, the expected timeline assuming grant funds available Fall 2019, and the lead (in parens). The 20% cost share will be met with equity from Developer BRG per Section c below.

Task 1 – Cooperative Agreement Oversight: Winter 2019-Summer 2021

- Programmatic management through the duration of the grant, including quarterly reports and ACRES; maintain VT VCP/BRELLA enrollment (Applicant/project manager)
- Attendance at the EPA National Brownfields conference (Applicant)

Task 2 – Community Outreach and Engagement: Winter 2019-Spring 2020

- Development of a Community Relations Plan, finalize the draft ABCA (QEP)
- Ongoing community notification through social media and email, attendance at community meetings, public meeting for ABCA (Applicant/project manager)

Task 3 – Site-Specific Activities/Engineering/Design: Winter 2019-Summer 2020

- Procure QEP, contractor coordination (Applicant/project manager)

- Submit and obtain approval of QAPP, design & engineer remediation plan, bid & procure remediation contractor (QEP)

  Task 4 – Oversee Clean-Up/Final Reporting: Fall 2020-Spring 2021
- TCE delineation, soil removal and capping, installation of groundwater monitoring & passive vapor mitigation equipment, obtain certification of cleanup completion (QEP)
- Coordination and communication with QEP, stakeholders & community during remediation, submission of updates & final reports to EPA and VT DEC (Applicant/project manager)

c. Cost Estimates and Outputs

Budget Categories	**Project Tasks ($)**				
Direct Costs	Cooperative Agreement Oversight	Community Outreach & Engagement	Site-Specific/ Engineering	Oversee Cleanup/ Reporting	TOTAL
Personnel	$9,000	$6,500	$5,000	$12,000	$32,500
Fringe Benefits					$0
Travel	$1,500				$1,500
Equipment					$0
Supplies		$1,000			$1,000
Contractual		$5,000	$40,000	$520,000	$565,000
Other					$0
Total Direct Costs					$600,000
Indirect Costs					$0
Total Federal Funding		$4,000	$40,000	$456,000	$500,000
Cost Share	$10,500	$8,500	$5,000	$76,000	$100,000
Total Budget	$10,500	$12,500	$45,000	$532,000	$600,000

Budget Breakdown & Outputs:

Task 1 – Cooperative Agreement Oversight:

- Grant management (6 quarters @ 15 hrs/quarter @ $100/hr = $9,000)
- Travel, lodging & attendance at the EPA Brownfields Conference is allocated $1,500

Outputs include EPA Quarterly reports/ACRES updates, attendance at EPA National Brownfields Conference, maintaining VT VCP (BRELLA) enrollment.

Task 2 – Community Outreach and Engagement:

- Finalize CRP/ABCA, participation in public outreach = $5,000 per QEP estimate
- Community notification, website maintenance, outreach and attendance at public meetings by Applicant and development professional (65 hrs @ $100/hr = $6,500)
- Supplies for presentations at meetings, social media & paper ads is estimated at $1,000

Outputs include final CRP/ABCA, meeting presentations, social media posts, meeting minutes.

Task 3 – Site-Specific Activities/Engineering/Design:

- Procure and coordinate with QEP/contractor (50 hrs @ $100/hr = $5,000)
- Approved QAPP, design & engineer remediation plan, bid & procure remediation contractor ($40,000 per QEP estimate)

Outputs include QEP RFP & contract, engineering & bid documents, RFP & contract with remediation contractor, approved QAPP.

Task 4 – Oversee Clean-Up/Final Reporting:

- TCE delineation ($16,000 per QEP estimate)

- TCE soil excavation & disposal (3,400 tons disposal @ $114/ton +2,500 tons clean fill @$25/ton=$450,000 per QEP estimate)
- Groundwater monitoring & passive vapor mitigation equipment ($34,000 per QEP estimate)
- QEP oversight/analytical testing/final reports ($20,000 per QEP estimate)
- Coordination of contractors/communications/final reporting (120 hrs @$100/hr = $12,000)

Outputs include field reports, analytical test results, bills of lading/waste manifests, remediation summary report, and Certificate of Completion.

d. Measuring Environmental Results: Anticipated Outputs/Outcomes

In addition to EPA's reporting requirements, regular reports and updates on grant deliverables to Applicant BCIC's monthly Board meeting and developer BRG's bi-monthly Board meeting will occur. Applicant will use an experienced project manager, the same one overseeing and coordinating the first stage's remediation efforts, to create a remediation schedule and track that schedule during the project timeframe. MindView© software will be used to create Gantt charts for planning the project schedule at the outset, then used to track, manage and monitor progress, schedule adjustments and completion of milestones. The project manager will update the schedule weekly, and follow up with contractors as needed. This will be used in conjunction with tracking through ACRES, Quarterly Reporting, and Work Plans/Project schedule to ensure timely deliverables. Deviations from schedule and budget will be addressed by a joint effort of the two Boards in a timely manner.

4. Programmatic Capability and Past Performance

a. Programmatic Capability

i. Organizational Structure

BCIC, in conjunction with developer BRG, will oversee the development team at M&S Development to manage this project. The team that is assembled has the experience and ability to complete the project within 3 years; indeed, this same team is on schedule to complete a similar $670,000 clean-up project within 1 year. The organizational structure is as follows:

Project Oversight: William Colvin, Executive Director of BCIC, will oversee the management of the grant. Bill has worked in the community and economic development field in Southern Vermont, in both the public sector and the private sector, since the early 1990's and has been involved in many of the largest community and economic development efforts in that part of the state. Bill's development experience includes: President of the Vermont real estate development firm Applejack Real Estate Management; Community & Economic Development Specialist for the towns of Dover and Wilmington, Vermont; and Community & Economic Development Director for the Town of Bennington.

Finance and Grant Support: Stacey Eggsware provides financial oversight for BCIC and is also the Financial Director for Bennington County Regional Commission. Stacey has nearly 20 years of experience in all aspects of accounting and financial management.

Project Management/Procurement/Compliance: Bob Stevens is co-founder of M&S Development, and founder of Stevens & Associates, P.C., a 27-person design/development firm specializing in historic and architecturally significant projects. Bob leads the development team at M&S Development which has been retained by developer BRG to oversee and manage of all aspects of the Putnam Block Redevelopment project, including the project management and compliance with this EPA grant. M&S Development was formed to provide guidance, deal

structuring, and technical support to clients wishing to develop projects with social and economic benefits in economically distressed communities, specializing in community-led revitalization projects. Its team has decades-worth of experience in project management, grant oversight and management and contractor procurement, having overseen $80 million worth of projects to-date. With 27 years' experience working on affordable housing, historic mixed-use downtown development, and complex feasibility consulting, Bob has been instrumental in deal structuring, loan sourcing and capital raising for his team's projects.

ii. Acquiring Additional Resources

As described in Section 4.a.i above, BCIC's Bill Colvin will oversee the procurement and selection process with the assistance of M&S Development, which has the expertise and resources to properly procure and manage any additional resources needed, including a QEP and remediation contractors. All contracts will be procured via a fair and open competition in compliance with state and federal procurement requirements. Minority-owned, Female-owned, local and small businesses, and Section-3 businesses will be encouraged to respond. M&S Development reviews all grant requirements, including those related to procurement, with BCIC and its attorney prior to the execution of the cooperative agreement. The BCIC Board will provide a final review to ensure compliance prior to executing any contracts.

b. Past Performance Accomplishments: (ii) Has Not Received an EPA Brownfields Grant but has Received Other Federal or Non-Federal Assistance Agreements

BCIC was awarded two EPA-funded assistance agreements relating to the environmental remediation of the first stage of the redevelopment project: $430,000 Brownfields loan from Windham Regional Planning Commission (WRC) and $150,000 clean-up grant from the VT Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD).

1) Purpose & Accomplishments: The above loan and grant were used to fund a $670,000 clean-up effort on 2 parcels abutting this project in preparation for the first stage of the redevelopment project. The clean-up included asbestos and PAH-contaminated soil remediation and UST closures. The same team (BCIC/BRG/M&S) successfully worked to obtain the $580,000 in federal funding, competitively procure a QEP and remediation contractors, and completed the soil remediation and UST closure. Cooperative agreements were signed in the Fall/Winter of 2018; work began September 2018 and the outstanding asbestos remediation work will be completed in January 2019. Loan reimbursement for remediation work is currently at $385,053, with the remaining $44,947 expected to be drawn in January 2019. Reimbursement for the ACCD grant work is expected to be requested in February 2019.

2) Compliance with Grant Requirements: All work completed to date has been in compliance with the two cooperative agreements: obtaining an EPA-approved ABCA and QAPP, compliance with Davis-Bacon, and effectively soliciting and selecting a QEP and remediation contractors based on the required open and competitive procurement process. The remediation work complies with the approved work plans. Certain work did come in underbudget, allowing BCIC to include additional remediation activities as part of its ACCD grant. BCIC worked with ACCD to adjust the schedule accordingly. While no reporting directly to the EPA was required of BCIC, BCIC and its partners have provided information and documentation in a timely fashion to WRC/ACCD for their federal reporting.

Attachment A

Letter of Commitment from Developer BRG

Letter of Commitment from Housing Vermont

PUTNAM BLOCK

January 29, 2018

Bill Colvin
Bennington County Industrial Corp
111 South Street
Bennington, VT 05201

Subject: Commitment Letter for Putnam Block Redevelopment – EPA Clean Up Grant

Dear Bill:

Bennington Redevelopment Group, LLC (BRG) is pleased to support Bennington County Industrial Corp's (BCIC's) application for a US EPA FY 2019 Brownfields Cleanup Grant and is ready to commit up to $100,000 in equity for BCIC's 20% grant match.

Further, BRG, as the developer of the Putnam Block property, has entered into an Option Agreement with BCIC for the right and option to purchase the property at issue, located at 321 Main Street in Bennington, from BCIC after the completion of the Brownfields remediation. BRG intends to exercise that option if this EPA grant is awarded and the environmental hazards on the property are remediated.

BRG estimates that the second stage of redevelopment planned for this property is around $27 million. BRG intends to manage, procure and facilitate the necessary investment. It is expected that the funds will come from a variety of sources, similar to those raised for the first stage of the redevelopment project (costing an estimated $28 million), which is expected to commence construction this spring. Funding is anticipated to include a combination of private equity, federal and state grants, and loans.

BRG is dedicated to creating a sustainable and resilient downtown through the revitalization of this key block in downtown Bennington. BRG's core members include community leaders: Bank of Bennington, Southwestern Vermont Health Care, Bennington College, Southern Vermont College, and Bennington County Regional Commission. BRG's mission with this project is to build community, create jobs and repurpose vacant and underused properties to transform Bennington's downtown.

Sincerely,

Bennington Redevelopment Group, LLC
111 South Street, Suite 203, c/o BCRC
Bennington, VT 05201

HOUSINGVERMONT
Building possibilities.

January 22, 2019

Bill Colvin
Bennington County Industrial Corp
111 South Street
Bennington, VT 05201

Dear Bill,

Housing Vermont is pleased to support Bennington County Industrial Corp's (BCIC) application for a US EPA Brownfields Clean Up Grant.

Housing Vermont intends to enter into an Option Agreement with BCIC, for a .75 acre parcel of land which is part of the larger parcel of land to be remediated by BCIC. Housing Vermont, in partnership with our local partner, Shires Housing, plans to build 30 units of affordable housing at this downtown location. The estimated development costs of this affordable housing is $9.0M and funding will come from a variety of federal and state housing sources, as well as equity investment by the private sector.

Remediation of this site is critical to our ability to move forward with this much needed affordable housing for Bennington.

Sincerely,

Kathy Beyer
Vice President for Development

100 Bank Street, Suite 400 • Burlington, Vermont 05401 • Phone: 802/863-8424 • Fax: 802/660-9034

Attachment B

Threshold Criteria

Attachment B – Threshold Documentation

1. Applicant eligibility

Bennington County Industrial Corp. (BCIC) is a 501(c) (6) tax-exempt non-profit economic development organization that was incorporated in 1957 and is an eligible applicant for this grant. The organization's bylaws, articles of association, certificate of good standing and tax-exempt IRS notice can be found at Attachment C.

2. Previously Awarded Cleanup Grant

This site has not received funding from a previously awarded EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant.

3. Site Ownership

Bennington County Industrial Corp is the sole owner of the site. BCIC has fee simple title through recorded deed. The property was purchased on September 18, 2017 from Normsel Development, LLC.

4. Basic Site Information

a. *Name* – Putnam Block
b. *Address* –321 Main Street, Bennington, Vermont 05201
c. *Current owner* –Applicant BCIC is the current owner of the site.
d. N/A – BCIC is the current owner of the site.

5. Status and History of Contamination of the Site

a. The site is contaminated by hazardous substances.
b. *Operational history and current use of the site* – This site has had a number of various uses over the years. Past uses include: a dry-cleaners, auto repair, battery service/storage, newspaper printing, paint storage, carpet cleaning, hardware store, lumberyard, hotel, blacksmith, cold storage, garden center and general store. Currently, vacant lumber sheds and remnants of a former demolished hardware store sit on the property.
c. *Known environmental Concerns* – Trichloroethene (TCE) is present in soils at the site, in discrete areas. Low levels of Trichloroethene (TCE) are present in the groundwater beneath the southwest and west portions of the site. Soil gas is also impacted by TCE near the area of TCE soil and groundwater contamination.
d. *How the site became contaminated and the extent of the contamination* – The site became contaminated as a result of its past historical uses. The TCE contamination is confined to the boundaries of the site, and localized near the lumber sheds and former hardware store.

6. Brownfields Site Definition

BCIC affirms that:

- The Putnam Block site is not currently listed or proposed to be listed on the National Priorities List.
- The Putnam Block site is not subject to unilateral administrative orders, court orders, administrative orders on consent, or judicial consent decrees issued to or entered into by parties under CERCLA.
- The Putnam Block site is not subject to the jurisdiction, custody, or control of the U.S. government.

7. Environmental Assessment Required for Cleanup Grant Proposals

- *Phase II or equivalent report*

– February 2017, Targeted Brownfields Assessment Report, Nobis Engineering, Inc.

- *Describe the type of environmental assessment (reports are not needed)*

Additional environmental assessments that have been performed at Putnam Block Parcels (including the site at issue) are as follows:

- April 2014, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

- May 2014, Limited Subsurface Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

- June 2016, Supplemental Subsurface Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Bustlin, Inc.

- June 2016, Limited Soil Gas Sampling Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Bustlin, Inc.

- Sept. 2016, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Sanborn Head & Assoc.

- April 2017, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Nobis Engineering

- May 2017, Final Corrective Action Feasibility Investigation (CAFI) / Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Report, Nobis Engineering

- September 2016, Asbestos Building Materials Investigative Report for Putnam Hotel Development, Catamount Environmental, Inc.

8. Enforcement or other actions

- Applicant BCIC is not aware of any known ongoing or anticipated environmental enforcement or other actions related to this site.
- Applicant BCIC is not aware, or received or been furnished copies, of any inquiries or orders from any federal, state or local government entities regarding

the responsibility of any party (including the applicant) for the contamination or hazardous substances at the site, including any liens.

9. Sites requiring a Property-Specific Determination

BCIC affirms that this site does not need a Property-Specific Determination.

10. Threshold Criteria Related to CERCLA/Petroleum Liability

a. Property Ownership Eligibility – Hazardous Substances Sites

Bennington County Industrial Corp is eligible because it meets the requirements for asserting an affirmative defense to CERCLA liability through the bona fide prospective purchaser liability protection per CERCLA § 101 (40).

1. Bonafide Prospective Purchaser Liability Protection

(a) *Information on the Property Acquisition*

(i) The property was acquired by negotiated purchase from a private corporation.

(ii) The property was acquired on September 18, 2017.

(iii) Applicant BCIC has sole ownership of the property as indicated by the fee simple title through recorded deed.

(iv) The property was acquired from Normsel Development, LLC.

(v) Applicant BCIC has no affiliation with Normsel Development, LLC or any other prior owner or operator of the property aside from a promissory note relating to the sale of this property held by Normsel Development, LLC secured by a mortgage on the property and several abutting parcels.

(b) *Pre-Purchase Inquiry*

As listed in detail in Section 7(b) above, several pre-purchase inquiries have been conducted.

(i) Pre-purchase assessments performed include:

- ASTM E1527-13 Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, dated August 2016, by Sanborn, Head & Associates, Inc. for the Windham Regional Commission, who provided funding to the developer (BRG) for an ESA
- ASTM E1527-13 Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, dated April 26, 2017, by Nobis Engineering, Inc. for Bennington Redevelopment Group (BRG), the developer that has an option to purchase this property post-cleanup

- Targeted Brownfields Assessment, dated February 2017, by Nobis Engineering, Inc. for US EPA Region 1

(ii) All assessments were performed by a qualified environmental professional (QEP) as defined in the EPA rule for "All Appropriate Inquiry".

(iii) The April 26, 2017 Phase I ESA was performed within 180 days prior to Applicant's acquisition of the site on September 18, 2017.

(c) *Timing and/or Contribution Toward Hazardous Substances Disposal*

All disposal of hazardous substances at the site occurred prior to BCIC's acquisition of the sit and BCIC did not cause or contribute to any release of hazardous substances at the site. BCIC has never arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances at the site or transported hazardous substances to the site, aside from VT DEC-approved storage of PAH-contaminated soils from a commonly owned abutting parcel for use as back-fill during remediation of the site, per the state-approved CAP.

(d) *Post-Acquisition Uses*

The site has been vacant since BCIC's acquisition in September 2017.

(e) *Contributing Obligations*

(i) BCIC is not aware of any continuing releases. Groundwater beneath the site is not used as a source of drinking water.

(ii) BCIC is not aware of any potential threatened future releases. All contaminants of concern are contained within the site boundaries and site soil, which is secured with a locked chain link fence.

(iii) The site area is largely paved, and secured with a locked chain link fence with warning signs and security cameras to minimize and prevent vandalism, trespassing and potential exposure to the public. Further, the property manager monitors the property 3x/week and reports any trespassers to the police. A former vacant building on-site was remediated for asbestos-containing materials, and then demolished.

Applicant BCIC commits to:

(i) complying with any land use restrictions and not impeding the effectiveness or integrity of any institutional controls;

(ii) assisting and cooperating with those performing the cleanup and providing access to the property;

(iii) complying with all information requests and administrative subpoenas that have or may be issued in connection with the property; and

(iv) providing all legally required notices.

11. Cleanup Authority and Oversight Structure

a. *Describe how you will oversee the clean up at the site and how the technical expertise will be acquired, discuss how you will comply with the competitive procurement provisions and ensure the technical expertise is in place before beginning cleanup activities*:

BCIC is a member of the Brownfields Reuse and Environmental Liability Limitation Program (BRELLA), the state of Vermont's cleanup/response program. BCIC, in conjunction with developer BRG and their development services team at M&S Development, will contract for the services of a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) prior to implementing remediation activities at the site. The QEP will oversee and conduct the cleanup in accordance with the already-approved Corrective Action Plan. The QEP and remediation contractors will be competitively procured in compliance with the provisions set forth in §200.317.

b. *Provide plan to acquire access to neighboring properties for cleanup*

It is not anticipated that BCIC will need to obtain or secure access to adjacent or neighboring properties. However, should such access become necessary, BCIC is committed to working with adjacent property owners to gain access to the relevant properties.

12. Community Notification

Bennington County Industrial Corp. conducted a public meeting on January 23, 2019 at 10AM at Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) located at 111 South Street, Suite 203, Bennington, VT 05201. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the draft

Brownfields Cleanup Grant application for this site and consider public comments prior to submitting this proposal, including those relating to the draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA). Approximately 3 people from the public attended. Comments and responses to that public meeting centered around continued community support for the project and understanding the remediation timeline. A copy of the required Community Notification documents can be found at Attachment D, and includes:

- A copy of the draft ABCA;
- A copy of the ad in the local paper that demonstrates notification to the public and solicitation for comments on the proposal;
- Summary of the comments received;
- BCIC's responses to those public comments;
- Meeting minutes from the public meeting; and
- A sign-in sheet from the public meeting.

13. Statutory Cost Share

a. *Demonstrate how you will meet the required cost share – include sources of funding*

BCIC will meet the required 20% cost share match with equity funds raised by the developer, Bennington Redevelopment Group.

b. *Cost Share Waiver*

BCIC is not requesting a hardship waiver of the cost share.

Attachment C

BCIC Bylaws

BCIC Articles of Association

Certificate of Good Standing

Tax Exempt IRS Notice

April 24, 2013

BY-LAWS

OF

BENNINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

ARTICLE 1

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Section 1. The principal office shall be in the Town of Bennington, County of Bennington, State of Vermont, and it may have offices at such other places as the Board of Directors may designate and the business of the corporation may require.

Article II

Meeting of the Stockholders

Section 1. Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the stockholders shall be held in Bennington, Vermont, during the month of March or at such other time and place as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

Notice of the Annual meeting shall be mailed not less than seven days before the meeting to each person whose name appears on the books of the corporation as a stockholder as of the first day of January in each year.

Section 2. Special Meetings: A special meeting of the stockholders may be called by the Board of Directors at any time, and must be called by the Board as soon as practicable upon the request in writing of one-third of the individual stockholders whose names appear on the books of the corporation as of the first day of January of that year. Notice of the time and place of such special meetings shall be given in the same manner as in Annual Meetings.

Section 3. Quorum: 20% of the outstanding shares present in person or by proxy as appears on the books of the corporation as of the first of January of that year shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Voting: Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote in person or by written proxy for each share in the stockholder's name, except that each stockholder shall have the right to a cumulative vote for members of the Board of Directors.

Article III

Board of Directors

Section 1. The business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of not less than nine (9) Directors. The Directors shall be elected by the stockholders at the annual meeting for a term of one year and shall serve until their successors are elected.

Section 2. Vacancies: If for any reason a vacancy occurs, it may be filled by the remaining Directors by the election of a new Director to serve until the next Annual Meeting.

Section 3. Meetings of Directors: The Board of Directors shall hold an organizational meeting the same day as the Annual Meeting in Bennington, Vermont. The Board of Directors may hold such other meetings as the business of the corporation may require, and such meetings will be called by the President, or may be so called on the request in writing of three (3) or more Directors. Notice of such meetings shall be given by the Secretary to each Director personally, or by written notice not less than one day prior to the meeting. Either forty (40) per cent of the members of the Board of Directors or seven members of the Board of Directors, whichever is the lesser number, shall constitute a quorum for all meetings.

Section 4. The members of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment that permits all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other. Participation in this manner shall constitute presence of the person at such meeting.

Section 5. The Officers, Directors and the members of the committees shall receive no compensation for serving in such office other than for authorized expenses.

Article IV

Officers and Employees

Section 1. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, a Secretary and an Assistant Secretary. They shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors for a term of one year. No Officer, except the Secretary, may hold the same office for more than two consecutive terms unless so requested by a vote of the Board of Directors attending the organizational meeting.

Section 2. The President shall preside at the meetings of Directors and stockholders.

Section 3. The Vice-President shall exercise the powers of the President in his or her absence or disability or in the case of vacancy.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have all the powers and duties by statute appertain to such office.

Section 5. The Secretary and Assistant Secretary shall have all the powers and duties by statute appertaining to the office of clerk.

Section 6. Executive Director: If so determined by the Board of Directors, there shall be a full time, salaried, Executive Director, selected by the Board of Directors, who shall coordinate all the activities of the Corporation, including the management of all its real estate properties and industrial projects. The Executive Director, as required, shall attend all Board of Directors meetings, standing and special committee meetings and any other meetings, which may concern the interests of the Corporation. The Executive Director shall, to the best of his/her ability, pursue the goals set forth by the Board of Directors relative to the Corporation's general countywide industrial development effort.

Section 7. The Executive Director, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, may hire additional employees to help carry out the business and activities of the Corporation.

Article V

Committees

Section 1. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and four other members of the Board chosen by the President. Actions of the Executive Committee must be ratified by the Full Board within 45 days of the action unless previously authorized by the Board.

Section 2. Nominating Committee for Directors and Officers: The Nominating Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, Immediate Past President and one senior member of the Board chosen by the President.

Section 3. Audit Committee: The Audit Committee shall consist of the Treasurer and any other two non-officer members from the Board elected by the Board. The Audit Committee shall select the Auditor and receive the Auditors report. The Auditors shall deliver financial statements to the Audit Committee within 120 days of the year-end.

Section 4. Other Committees: The President may create any other committees thought necessary.

Section 5. A majority of the members of any committee shall constitute a quorum.

Article VI

Stock

Section 1. The certificate for shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall be signed by the President and the Secretary and shall bear the seal of the Corporation.

Article VII

Amendments

Section 1. These laws may be amended at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders present or by proxy whose names appear on the books of the Corporation as of the first day of January of that year, provided the notice of such meeting shall contain the proposed amendment.

Article VIII

Dissolution

Section 1. At any special meeting the Corporation may elect to dissolve by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders. The stockholders may cast their vote in person or by written ballot received by the Clerk prior to the time of the special meeting.

In the event such dissolution is voted, the stockholders shall elect five (5) trustees, who on behalf of the Corporation and within the time fixed by the stockholders, or within any extension thereof - shall distribute the assets of the Corporation in accordance with the laws and the Articles of Incorporation. After the payment of all Corporation debts, and the retirement of all outstanding Corporation stock at par value or less, the Trustees shall offer all remaining real property to the Town of Bennington. It shall be sold by the Trustees in a manner to realize the maximum return. This return together with any remaining cash assets shall be distributed to one or more community projects or organizations which in the final judgement of the Trustees will reflect the greatest benefit to the whole community, provided only that such community project or organization as may be selected by the Trustees shall be qualified for exemption from tax under the Internal Revenue Code.

Article IX

Section 1. Membership: The Board of Directors is authorized to establish, and from time-to-time to modify an arrangement of the Bennington County Industrial Corporation to have members, separate from the shareholder structure that shall remain in full force and effect.

This certifies that the By-laws of Bennington County Industrial Corporation as set forth above were reaffirmed by the stockholders of Bennington County Industrial Corporation at a duly constituted meeting held on April 24, 2013.

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Brian Lent
Secretary, BCIC

File No. 9213

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

of the

BENNINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

We, the incorporators, of full age and residents of the State of Vermont, hereby associate ourselves together as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Vermont, to be known by the name of BENNINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION, for the purpose of:

1. Unifying and co-ordinating public and private efforts presently directed toward attracting, financing and developing private industry within the County of Bennington, State of Vermont, for the purpose of increasing and stablizing opportunities for employment;
2. Initiating and stimulating public and private effort for the purposes set forth above and, without limiting the generality of the said purpose it is specifically provided that the BENNINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION is empowered to:
    a) Locate, attract, encourage, build and establish factories or other enterprises within the County of Bennington;
    b) Obtain funds by stock subscriptions, loans secured or un-secured, mortgages, gifts, grants, grants-in-aid, advances, investments, municipal appropriations or by any other means;

c) Make loans, invest in corporate securities, acquire sites by lease or purchase, construct, acquire and improve buildings, and engage in promotional efforts and advertising.

The principal office shall be located in the Town of Bennington, in the County of Bennington, and State of Vermont.

The capital stock of the corporation shall be 20,000 shares of common stock having a par value of $10.00 per share and no dividends or profit shall be paid to any stockholder.

Each stockholder shall have only one vote in all matters pertaining to the management of the corporation regardless of the number of shares held. Each stockholder shall have the right to a cumulative vote for members of the Board of Directors as provided in Section 5784 of The Vermont Statutes, Revision of 1947, as amended by Bill No. 122 of Public Acts, 1951.

Dated at Bennington, in the County of Bennington, State of Vermont, this 13th day of December, 1957.

Ferdinand Mayer

Ferdinand Mayer - Incorporator, presently residing at Bennington, Vermont

T. Garry Buckley

T. Garry Buckley - Incorporator, presently residing at Bennington, Vermont

Ralph A. Jones

Ralph A. Jones - Incorporator, presently residing at North Bennington, Vermont

STATE OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

Certificate of Good Standing

I, James C. Condos, Vermont Secretary of State, do hereby certify that according to the records of this office

BENNINGTON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

a Domestic Non-profit Corporation formed under the laws of the State of VERMONT, was filed for record in this office on Dec 18, 1957.

I further certify that the company has perpetual duration, that its most recent annual report is on file, and that as of this date, articles of dissolution / withdrawal have not been filed.

January 29, 2019

Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Vermont, at Montpelier, the State Capital.

James C. Condos

James C. Condos
Vermont Secretary of State

Business ID: 0041251
Certificate Number: 2013564605001

Internal Revenue Service

District
Director

Department of the Treasury

P. O. BOX 1680, GPO
Brooklyn, New York 11202

Date: OCT 29 1987

Person to Contact:
M. Vera
Contact Telephone Number:
(718) 780-6508

Re: 03-0198015

Bennington County
Industrial Corporation
P.O. Box 357, Water Street
North Bennington, VT 05257

Attn: Patricia Moulton

Dear Sir or Madam:

Reference is made to your request for verification of the tax exempt status of Bennington County Industrial Corporation

A determination or ruling letter issued to an organization granting exemption under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or under a prior or subsequent Revenue Act remains in effect until exempt status has been terminated, revoked or modified.

Our records indicate that exemption was granted as shown below.

Sincerely yours,

for Anita Ireland
District Disclosure Officer

Name of Organization: Bennington County Industrial Corporation

Date of Exemption Letter: February, 1962

Exemption granted pursuant to 1954 Code section 501(c)(6) or its predecessor Code Section.

Foundation Classification (If Applicable): Not Applicable

NAR Form BKN 9-187 (Rev. 9-80)

Attachment D

Draft ABCA

Advertisement

Public Comments/Response

Meeting Minutes

Sign-in Sheet

Draft Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives

Putnam Block Redevelopment Project

321 Main Street

Bennington, Vermont 05201

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Prepared for:

Bennington County Industrial Corporation

111 South Street

Suite 203

Bennington, Vermont 05201

January 16, 2019

I. Introduction and Background

a. Site Location

The Putnam Block consists of six contiguous parcels encompassing a 4+-acre block at the corner of South Street and Main Street in Bennington, located in the heart of the downtown at a main intersection known as the Four Corners. A two-stage redevelopment project proposes to transform the Putnam Block into a vibrant, mixed use downtown space with offices, in-town living, restaurants, services and retail establishments. The three parcels involved in the first stage of the development are in the process of completing their environmental remediation, with renovations of the existing historic buildings on those parcels set to begin this spring.

This Brownfields Cleanup Grant focuses on the remediation of one of the parcels planned for the second stage of the redevelopment. This 1.91-acre parcel currently contains a paved parking area, three vacant lumber sheds and the area of the prior vacant hardware store/storage building that was demolished this fall.

b. Previous Use of the Site and Any Previous Cleanup Remediation

This site has had a variety of uses over the years. Past uses include: a dry-cleaner, auto repair, battery service/storage, newspaper printing, paint storage, carpet cleaning, hardware store, lumberyard, hotel, blacksmith, cold storage, garden center and general store. Currently, vacant lumber sheds and remnants of a former demolished hardware store sit on the property. No remedial cleanup activities have been performed to address the contaminants on this property aside from the remediation of asbestos-containing materials in the old warehouse building prior to its demolition.

Soils containing low levels of PAHs from the environmental remediation of an adjacent parcel are being stored on a slab of one of the empty lumber sheds. Based on the existing CAFI/CAP, this soil is expected to be used as fill for a portion of the area where the TCE-containing soils are excavated.

c. Site Assessment Findings

The following environmental assessments have been performed on the property:

- April 2014, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
- May 2014, Limited Subsurface Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
- June 2016, Supplemental Subsurface Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Bustlin, Inc.
- June 2016, Limited Soil Gas Sampling Investigation, Vanasse Hangen Bustlin, Inc.
- Sept. 2016, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Sanborn Head & Assoc.
- April 2017, Phase 1: Environmental Site Assessment, Nobis Engineering
- Feb. 2017, Phase 2: Environmental Site Assessment, Nobis Engineering

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- May 2017, Final Corrective Action Feasibility Investigation (CAFI) / Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Report, Nobis Engineering

- Sept. 31, 2016, Asbestos Building Materials Investigative Report for Putnam Hotel Development, Catamount Environmental, Inc.

The findings based on the assessments above are as follows:

- Subsurface investigations at the site have detected Trichloroethene (TCE) contamination in soil. Maximum concentrations of contaminants in soil samples collected from the site exceed applicable EPA RSLs for residential and industrial soil.

- TCE concentrations in the soil, groundwater and soil gas in concentrations that exceeded residential and industrial screening levels set by the VT DEC.

- Groundwater sampling results indicate concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), specifically TCE in on-site monitoring wells have exceeded the Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standard at multiple well locations. Minor exceedances of arsenic and lead have been detected in groundwater samples collected from several wells.

d. Project Goal

The goal of the project is to carry out and complete the environmental remediation plan set forth in the state-approved CAFI/CAP so that the property can be redeveloped by a committed private developer (Bennington Redevelopment Group) to benefit the community by constructing new buildings housing offices, services, retail and residences. This is the second step in a block-wide revitalization plan that will bring jobs, services and much-needed housing to a location that currently contains nothing more vacant structures. The current redevelopment plan will involve constructing two new buildings that will bring a retail, medical services, and residential housing units. A project partner, Housing Vermont, will have the option to purchase a portion of the remediated property to create new affordable housing in the downtown. This is the second part of a $52 million venture to breathe new life into a struggling downtown, create a reinvigorated "walkable" downtown, and serve as a catalyst for future investment in the area.

II. Applicable Regulations and Cleanup Standards

a. Cleanup Oversight and Responsibility

The cleanup will be overseen by a qualified environmental professional (QEP) in coordination with the Vermont Department of Environmental Protection (VT DEP). The site is already enrolled in the state's cleanup program, Brownfields Reuse and Environmental Liability Limitation Program (BRELLA).

b. Cleanup Standards for Major Contaminants

The clean-up standards expected to apply to this project are: Vermont Soil Screening Values, EPA RSLs for residential and industrial soils, Vermont Primary Groundwater Quality Standards

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for groundwater and Vermont Vapor Intrusion Screening Values for Shallow Soil Gas for soil gas.

c. Laws and Regulations Applicable to the Cleanup

Laws and regulations that are applicable to this cleanup include the Brownfields Revitalization Act, the Federal Davis-Bacon Act, state environmental laws, and town regulations. Applicable federal, state and local laws regarding procurement of contractors to conduct the cleanup will be followed. Additionally, all appropriate permits and notifications will be obtained prior to commencement of the cleanup work.

III. Evaluation of Cleanup Alternatives

Based on the nature of the contaminants and the proposed reuses of the site, three alternatives were considered to address the contamination on site:

a. Alternative No. 1 – *No Action*

b. Alternative No. 2 – *Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal*

This option involves the excavation of soils in impacted areas, installation of a 1.5-foot thick clean soil cap (at a minimum) and disposal of contaminated soils off-site. To achieve this, demolition of former hardware retail store and the lumber sheds will be necessary to access the soil beneath the structure. This remedy would be completed by the installation of a geotextile separation barrier and placement of clean backfill to grade over the excavation area. An Activity and Use Limitations (AUL) would be required to maintain the integrity of the cap and address residual soil contamination remaining on-site

c. Alternative No. 3 – *Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management*

This option involves the excavation of soils in impacted areas but also offers the option of on-site soil management, and limited off-site disposal of contaminated soils. Some of the soil excavated during remediation of an adjacent parcel will be used as backfill of the TCE excavation. To achieve this, demolition of the former hardware retail store and the lumber sheds will be necessary to access the soil beneath the structure. This option would be completed by the installation of a geotextile separation barrier and placement of a 1.5-foot clean soil cap (at a minimum) to cover the excavation area and limit the direct contact exposure to the remaining contaminated soil. An AUL would be required to maintain the integrity of the clean soil cap and address residual soil contamination remaining on-site.

IV. Analysis of Cleanup Alternatives

In order to make the best decision to address the contamination and clean up at the site, the three proposed options were evaluated on effectiveness, feasibility and ease of implementation, resiliency to climate change, and cost effectiveness before choosing the recommended alternative.

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a. Effectiveness

Alternative No. 1 – *No Action*

Taking no action to cleanup the site is not effective in managing the contamination and remediate the environmental impact that past uses have had on the land. This will neither protect the welfare of the community nor make the vacant land available for the use by the community.

Alternative No. 2 – *Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal*

This alternative is designed to remove the majority of the soil mass posing the highest risk to exposure in the fastest manner.

Alternative No. 3 – *Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management*

This method would remove the soil mass posing the highest risk to exposure the fastest and allow on-site management of the remaining PAH contaminated soils from the adjacent site while mitigating the potential for future exposure.

b. Feasibility and Ease of Implementation

Alternative No. 1 – *No Action*

This alternative will be the easiest to implement, as no steps need to be taken.

Alternative No. 2 – *Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal*

Excavation would require site control (re-routing of traffic and installation of temporary fencing). A relatively large area would need to be set aside for the excavation and for loading of trucks and staging of other equipment. Other considerations regarding the ability to implement this alternative include the need to monitor the open excavation area for ambient VOC concentrations as a worker safety precautionary measure in the TCE excavation area. Due to the relatively low concentrations of volatiles in the TCE area, it is unlikely the excavation would need to be covered at night to minimize VOC off gassing.

Alternative No. 3 – *Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management*

Excavation would require site control (re-routing of traffic and installation of temporary fencing). A relatively large area would need to be set aside for the excavation, stockpiled soil, and for loading of trucks and staging of other equipment. Other consideration regarding implementability would be the need to monitor the open excavation area for ambient VOC concentrations as a worker safety precautionary measure in the TCE excavation area. Due to the relatively low concentrations of volatiles in the TCE area, it is unlikely the excavation would need to be covered at night to minimize VOC off gassing.

c. Resiliency to Climate Change

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Alternative No. 1 – *No Action*

The alternative is not resilient to climate change.

Alternative No. 2 – *Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal*

This alternative will have a high environmental impact due to the transportation and appropriate disposal of the contaminated soil. In addition, excavation causes dust and erosion, and additional measures will need to be taken to minimize potential environmental impacts, such as wetting dry areas, and installing hay bales and silt fencing to reduce runoff. Potential effects of climate change are not anticipated to affect this alternative upon completion.

Alternative No. 3 – *Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management*

The environmental impact of this alternative due to the transportation and appropriate disposal of the contaminated soil is relatively high. Re-using impacted soils to backfill some areas of the site will reduce handling and transport needs required for disposal, thus reducing emissions and environmental impacts over off-site disposal of all material. In addition, excavation causes dust and erosion, and additional measures will need to be taken to minimize potential environmental impacts, such as wetting dry areas, and installing hay bales and silt fencing to reduce runoff. Potential effects of climate change are not anticipated to affect this alternative upon completion.

d. Cost Effectiveness

Alternative No. 1 – *No Action*

This is the least expensive alternative as there are no costs associated with it.

Alternative No. 2 – *Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal*

Due to the costs associated with excavation and off-site disposal of all materials, it is the most expensive alternative of the three considered.

Alternative No. 3 – *Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management*

Reusing impacted PAH soils from the adjacent parcel to backfill some areas of the site will be more cost-effect that Alternative 2, which includes handling and off-site disposal of all material.

V. Recommended Cleanup Alternative

The recommended clean up alternative for this site, is Alternative #3 - Soil Excavation with Limited Off-Site Disposal and On-Site Soil Management. This alternative will require the least amount of soil volume to be taken off-site for disposal and the least amount of fill to be brought on-site for backfilling. It would also be the least complex logistically to implement. In addition, the environmental impact of this option is lessened by the re-use of soil on site and the decreased volume that would need to be taken off-site for disposal.

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Roundup

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rode the fast start to a 60-33 victory over Greenwich on Tuesday night.

The Indians outscored Greenwich 17-4 in the second quarter to take a big lead into halftime.

Cambridge is 8-1 and host Hoosic Valley on Friday.

Second quarter woes doom SVC

LEICESTER, MASS. — Being outscored by nine points in the second quarter doomed the Southern Vermont College women's basketball team on Tuesday night, as they fell to Becker 55-45 in a New England Collegiate Conference matchup on the road.

Liv Pressley led the Mountaineers with 17 points, a season-high, including four 3-pointers. Maddy Main nearly had a double-double, scoring nine points, grabbing 13 rebounds and a team-high five assists.

Becker was led by Adrianna Dowdy's 21 and Ciara McKissick's 16 points.

SVC drops to 4-11 (2-6 in the NECC) and hosts Elms on Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m.

SMS' Poulter qualifies for Opa Cup

STRATTON — Stratton Mountain School Alpine athlete Jay Poulter (Class of 2020) will represent the U.S. Ski Team at the 2019 Opa Cup in Meiringen, Switzerland following an impressive performance at the 2019 National Performance Series held at Burke Mountain Ski Area last week.

U16 athletes traveled to Burke between January 6 and 11 for the series, in which the top 30 male and female U16 athletes in the U.S. face off in two slalom and two giant slalom races. At the end of the week, the top three male and female racers were selected to represent the United States at the 2019 Opa Cup, the premier U16 competition in Europe.

Poulter led the SMS contingent, with second and third place podiums in the slalom races and a fourth place finish in the second giant slalom race. Those results placed Poulter second in the NPS overall standings, qualifying him for the 2019 Opa Cup.

He will be the only Eastern skier traveling to Meiringen between February 4 and 15 for the Opa Cup, previously known as the Seven Nations Cup, and race alongside the best U16 athletes from Austria, France, Germany, Italy and Switzerland.

Poulter also qualified for U16 Eastern Championships and U16 Nationals at the 2019 National Performance Series.

Sophomore Erik Holm (Class of 2021) earned a seventh-place finish in both slalom races, with

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Another close match came at 126 pounds between Hurley and Fair Haven's Sam Worthing. Worthing, ranked No. 3 in the latest Vermont Wrestler rankings at 120 pounds, bumped up to 126 to face Hurley, who came away with a 3-2 decision.

Hurley, who is ranked third at 126, was down early, but came back in the third period to eke out the victory.

"Kyle battled through it and I don't think he realized what a good win that was, he came off the mat like he'd lost the match," Coon said. "That was a big win for him

Thirteen of the matches involving Mount Anthony wrestlers were finished in the first period, the quickest coming by McLaughlin, pinning his opponent in 12 seconds. Hurley had a pin in 17 seconds, while Blackman pinned his opponent in 28 seconds.

At 106 pounds, Landon Davis pinned Burr and Burton's Ben Gordon in 3:39 to get a victory. Coon said it was a good bounce-back after Davis fell in the finals of the MAU tournament.

"The last time he wrestled, he got caught in a headlock and that's the Vermont style, so he has to learn to defend those positions," Coon said. "Landon is just going to continue to

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Public Notices

Bennington County Industrial Corporation will be conducting an open meeting to discuss the application to the Brownfields Clean Up Grant application and draft Analysis of Brownfields Clean Up Alternatives (ABCA). The draft application and ABCA is available during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, at Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) located at 111 South Street, Suite 203, Bennington, VT 05201 for review and comment by the community. The application is being submitted to help in the environmental remediation efforts for the Putnam Block in Bennington, VT. The public meeting will be held at BCRC at the above location at 10am on

Public Notices

application for these funds. The goals of the Plan are to provide decent affordable housing, assure a suitable living environment, and expand economic opportunity for Vermont's citizens.

The hearing will be held on Friday, February 1, 2019, from 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. in the Calvin Coolidge Room, 1 National Life Drive, Davis Building, 6th Floor, Montpelier. The hearing room is handicapped accessible. Accommodations for persons with disabilities and interpreters to meet the needs of non-English speaking persons will be made available upon request. Requests for accommodations should be directed to Arthur Hamlin at (802) 828-3749, or in writing to Arthur

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Manager, via e-mail at dmonks@benningtonvt.org to request a copy of the Request for Proposals.
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EMPOWERING COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION

TO: BCIC

FROM: Gabrielle Ciuffreda

DATE: 1/30/2019

RE: Putnam Block EPA FY2019 Cleanup Grant Public Comments

As part of Bennington County Industrial Corp's (BCIC's) FY2019 EPA Clean Up grant proposal, a request for public comments was noticed in the local Bennington Banner newspaper on January 16, 2019. Comments were to be emailed to myself prior to January 31, 2019.

As of January 30, 2019, no comments have been received. Thus, BCIC has not needed to respond to any public comments.

Putnam Block Project
MEETING MINUTES
FY 2019 EPA Clean Up Grant Open Meeting
January 23, 2019 at 10 am
Offices of BCRC

Meeting started at 10:00 a.m.

Members of the public present are listed on the attached sign-in sheet.

The meeting began with a presentation summarizing the Putnam Block Redevelopment project, the expected timeline of the different stages of development, and the Brownfields remediation plan (including the existing CAP). A copy of the demonstrative used during the presentation is attached.

The public asked questions relating to the timing and sequence of the Brownfields remediation and the redevelopment plans. The anticipated timing of the remediation – beginning in winter 2019 and completed in spring 2021 – was discussed.

The public expressed their excitement and support for this project. They were eager for this project to begin and believe that it can help reverse the struggling economy in the downtown.

Meeting concluded at 10:45 a.m.

Putnam Block – FY2019 EPA Clean Up Grant Open Meeting

Name	Address	Email & Phone
Stacey Eggsware		seggsware@bcrcvt.org
Catherine Bryars		cbryars @ bcrcvt.org
Madison Kremer		mkremer @ bcrcvt.org

January 23, 2019 at 10am

OMB Number: 4040-0004
Expiration Date: 12/31/2019

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:
- [ ] Preapplication
- [x] Application
- [ ] Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:
- [x] New
- [ ] Continuation
- [ ] Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received: 01/30/2019

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: Bennington County Industrial Corp.

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 03-0198015

* c. Organizational DUNS: 0918984520000

d. Address:

* Street1: 111 South Street, Suite 203
Street2:
* City: Bennington
County/Parish:
* State: VT: Vermont
Province:
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code: 05201-2272

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

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f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:
* First Name: William
Middle Name:
* Last Name: Colvin
Suffix:

Title:

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number: 802-442-0713
Fax Number:

* Email: bcolvin@bcrcvt.org

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

N: Nonprofit without 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)

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* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Environmental Protection Agency

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

66.818

CFDA Title:

Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

EPA-OLEM-OBLR-18-07

* Title:

FY19 GUIDELINES FOR BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP GRANTS

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Putnam Block EPA 2019 Clean Up Proposal

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant VT

* b. Program/Project VT

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: 10/01/2019

* b. End Date: 05/30/2021

18. Estimated Funding ($):

* a. Federal	500,000.00
* b. Applicant	100,000.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	600,000.00

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .

☒ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

☐ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

* First Name: William

Middle Name:

* Last Name: Colvin

Suffix:

* Title: Executive Director

* Telephone Number: 802-442-0713

Fax Number:

* Email: bcolvin@bcrcvt.org

* Signature of Authorized Representative: Stacey Eggsware

* Date Signed: 01/30/2019