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## **Qualified Manufacturing Plant Designation**

### **Sec. 32-75c-1. Definitions**

As used in sections 32-75c-1 to 32-75c-6, inclusive, of these regulations:

(1) “Applicant” means a company which completes a preliminary questionnaire and an application for certification of eligibility;

(2) “Certificate of Eligibility” means a document issued by the department pursuant to section 32-9r of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time evidencing its determination that a facility for which an application for assistance has been submitted qualifies as a manufacturing facility and is eligible for assistance under section 12-217e of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time and subsections (59) and (60) of section 12-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time;

(3) “Chief Executive Officer” means one of the following: the first selectman; a chief administrative officer appointed by the board of selectmen; a mayor elected by the electors of the municipality; a warden elected by the electors of the borough; a town, city or borough manager appointed by the board of selectmen, the council, the board of directors, the board of aldermen or the board of burgesses; or a chief administrative officer appointed by the mayor;

(4) “Commissioner” means the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development;

(5) “Department” means the Department of Economic and Community Development;

(6) “Manufacturing facility” means any plant, building, or other real property improvement as defined in section 32-9p(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time;

(7) “Manufacturing plant” means any vacant plant, building, or other real property improvement as defined in section 32-75c of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time;

(8) “Municipality” means a city, town or borough;

(9) “Personal Property” means machinery, equipment and furnishings which are not considered real property and are subject to a local property tax;

(10) “Substantial Rehabilitation” means a construction or renovation project which requires a building permit and has a cost which is greater than 50% of the assessed value of the real property.

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### **Sec. 32-75c-2. Qualified manufacturing plant designation application process**

The application to have a qualified manufacturing plant designated shall be made on application forms provided by the commissioner and available at the department upon request. The application may require the following information:

(1) A certified copy of the minutes of the governing body of the municipality at which a vote was taken authorizing the chief executive officer of the municipality to apply to the commissioner for the establishment of a qualified manufacturing plant designation pursuant to section 32-75c of the Connecticut General Statutes as they may be amended from time to time;

(2) Certification from the chief elected official that the proposal is in conformance with the plan of development for the municipality;

(3) Information detailing the local activities and programs that will encourage development for the purposes of this act;

(4) An administrative plan for operation of the program by the municipality;

(5) A professionally prepared market study that evaluates the effect of the proposal on the economic development of the municipality, the region and the state, taking into consideration, market potential, specific development plans and private commitments to the manufacturing plant;

(6) The goals, objectives and timetables of the qualifying manufacturing plant designation including, but not limited to, increasing private investment and expanding the tax base; and

(7) A description of other factors that will contribute to the success of the development of the qualifying manufacturing plant.

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### **Sec. 32-75c-3. Qualifying manufacturing plant designation approval process**

The commissioner shall base his decision on the information contained in the application, the local capacity to effectively administer a development program in the qualifying manufacturing plant, the innovation of the proposed program for the qualifying manufacturing plant and the likelihood of success of the qualifying manufacturing plant program.

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### **Sec. 32-75c-4. Qualifying manufacturing plant business application process**

The two-step application process consists of a preliminary questionnaire and an application for certificate of eligibility. Application forms shall be approved by the commissioner. The information required shall include:

- (1) Name, owner and location of company;
- (2) Locations size and type of business activity;
- (3) Standard Industrial Classification number of the company;
- (4) Number of jobs that will be created or retained;
- (5) Owner of proposed facility;
- (6) Owner of equipment (if applicable); and
- (7) Other factors that the commissioner deems necessary to complete the certification process.

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### **Sec. 32-75c-5. Qualifying manufacturing plant business approval process**

The commissioner shall review the application for certificate of eligibility and shall notify the applicant, in writing, of his findings. Upon approval, certificates of eligibility shall be issued to the owner(s) of the manufacturing facility and the owner(s) of the equipment (if applicable) and notification shall be provided to the assessor of the municipality and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue Services. If the application for certificate of eligibility is disapproved, the commissioner shall indicate the reasons for disapproval.

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### **Sec. 32-75c-6. Reporting procedures**

The municipality shall submit completed activity reports on or before July 1st annually to the department which shall describe the progress made towards meeting the goals and objectives described in section 32-75c-2(8) and (9) of this regulation. The first report shall be due no later than July first of the year subsequent to receipt of the certificate of eligibility.

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