PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

Kohler Awning, Inc. and/or Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf Project

Public Hearing to be held on May 24, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., at the Town of Cheektowaga Town Hall, 3100 Broadway (Town Council Chamber), Cheektowaga, New York 14227

ATTENDANCE

Jesse Kohler – Kohler Awning

<u>1. WELCOME: Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer</u>.

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 9:00 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am the Business Development Officer of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing.

] 2. PURPOSE: Purpose of the Hearing.

Hearing Officer:We are here to hold the public hearing on the Kohler Awning, Inc. and/orIndividual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to beformed on its behalf project.The transcript of this hearing will bereviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project.Notice of this hearing appeared in The Buffalo News on Friday, May 13,2016}.

3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) a portion of land located at 2600 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, New York (the "Land") to be improved thereon with a 12,000+/- SF addition on the existing facility to be utilized as additional manufacturing and material storage space (the "Improvements"), and (ii) the acquisition and installation by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment," and collectively with the Land and Improvements, the "Facility").

The proposed financial assistance contemplated by the Agency includes New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits, mortgage recording tax exemption benefits, and real property tax abatement benefits (in compliance with Agency's uniform tax exemption policy).

4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

Hearing Officer: All those in attendance are required to register by signing the sign-in sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. If you have a written comment to submit for the record, you may do so. Written comments may also be delivered to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203 until the comment period closes on June 21, 2016. There are no limitations on written comments.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.

<u>Hearing Officer</u>: If anyone is interested in making a comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep comments to 5 minutes, and if possible, 3 minutes.

Jesse Kohler, Vice President – Kohler Awning. We are intending to put up a 12,000 sq. ft. addition to our existing building at 2600 Walden Ave, which will allow us the room to grow and hopefully hire more employees. We will be able to store more in our warehouse and increase manufacturing by being able to have more machinery and a bigger place to do our work.

⊠ <u>6. ADJOURNMENT</u>.

As there were no further comments, the Hearing Officer closed the public hearing at 9:15

a.m.

SIGN IN SHEET PUBLIC HEARING

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Project Location: 2600 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga, New York

Name	Company and/or Address	X box to speak/ comment
Jesse Kohler	Kohler Awning 2600 Walden Avenue Cheektowaga, New York 14225	X
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