

CV08-020

Whirlpool Corporation
- Council Variance Application – 1900 London-Groveport Road
- June 20, 2008 -

STATEMENT OF HARDSHIP

This statement is submitted in conjunction with Applicant Whirlpool Corporation's rezoning application #Z08-027 for parcels totaling 191 acres and within the boundaries of its new Regional Distribution Center, located at 1900 London-Groveport Road. Applicant requests a variance in the setback requirements for structures in conjunction with a change in zoning for the entire site. There are unusual and practical difficulties or unusual hardships in the carrying out of the zoning district provisions due to the need to secure this site with a fence of an appropriate and effective height.

The subject property is located at 1900 London-Groveport Road. More than half of this parcel is currently zoned for Limited Manufacturing and will house the Whirlpool Corporation's new Regional Distribution Center ("RDC") in close proximity to Rickenbacker International Airport. The remaining two parcels will be zoned Limited Manufacturing upon passage of the zoning application associated with this variance. In addition to its substantial investment, Whirlpool Corporation expects to employ 300 individuals at the new RDC by 2012.

This setback variance is necessary as a fence of eight (8) feet is needed to properly secure the site and must be built within the site's existing setback. Currently, the Code only allows a fence to be built within the setback if it does not exceed six (6) feet in height. This variance is requested and needed expeditiously to ensure the timely issuance of necessary construction permits for security of the site prior to occupation of the RDC.

A proposed site plan for the Whirlpool RDC is being submitted along with this council variance application.

Variances Requested:

Applicant requests variances from the permitted setback requirements in conjunction with an application for a change in the zoning district of the subject property as follows:

- (1) Variance from C.C.C. Section 3363.23 – Building Lines - Definitions
- (2) Variance from C.C.C. Section 3363.24 – Building Lines in an M-Manufacturing District

Specifically, Applicant requests the variances from the Code sections listed above for the purpose of constructing an eight (8) foot security fence within the setback and on or behind the subject property line.

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This request is consistent with current development guidelines and limitations of the South Central Accord for industrial development in this area. The granting of this variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to the adjacent property, unreasonably increase the congestion of public streets, increase the danger of fires, endanger the public safety, or unreasonably diminish or impair the public health, safety, comfort, morals, or welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Columbus.

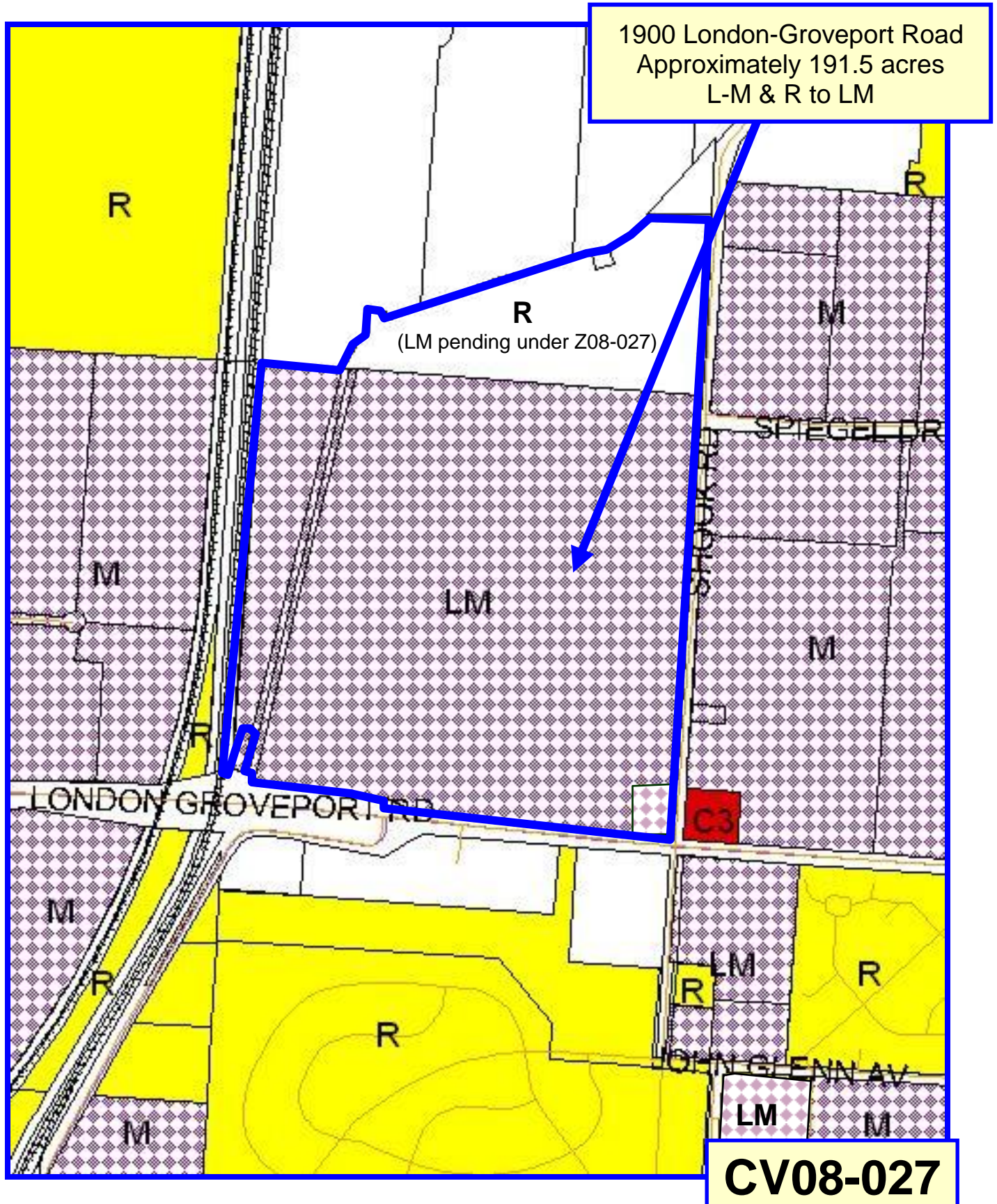
For the reasons stated above, Applicant request the above-referenced variance from the allowed setback requirements in conjunction with an application for a change in the zoning district of the subject property to Limited Manufacturing use, for the construction, and development of Whirlpool Corporation's Regional Distribution Center.

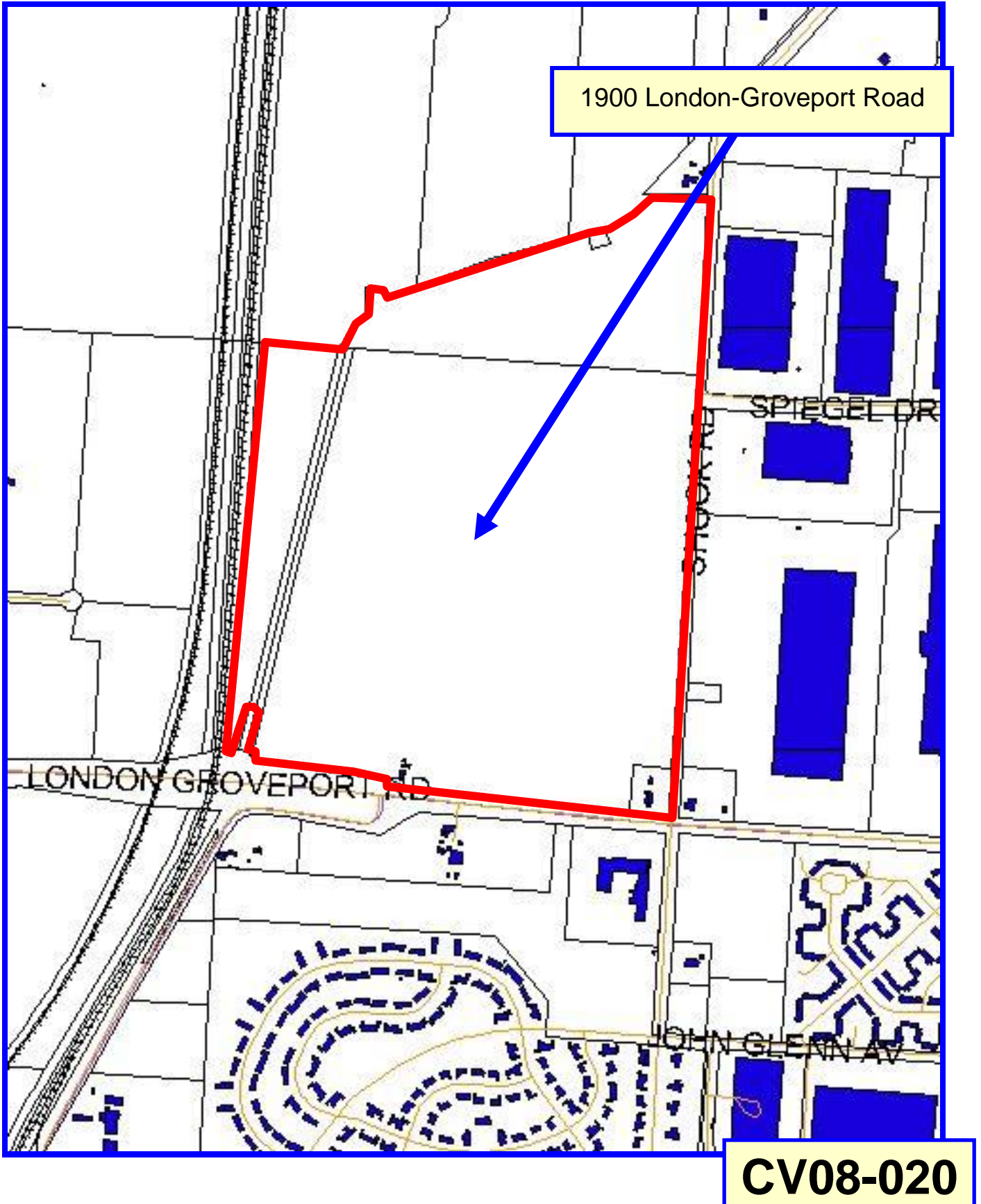
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Slagle", followed by the handwritten text "(per authority)" in parentheses.

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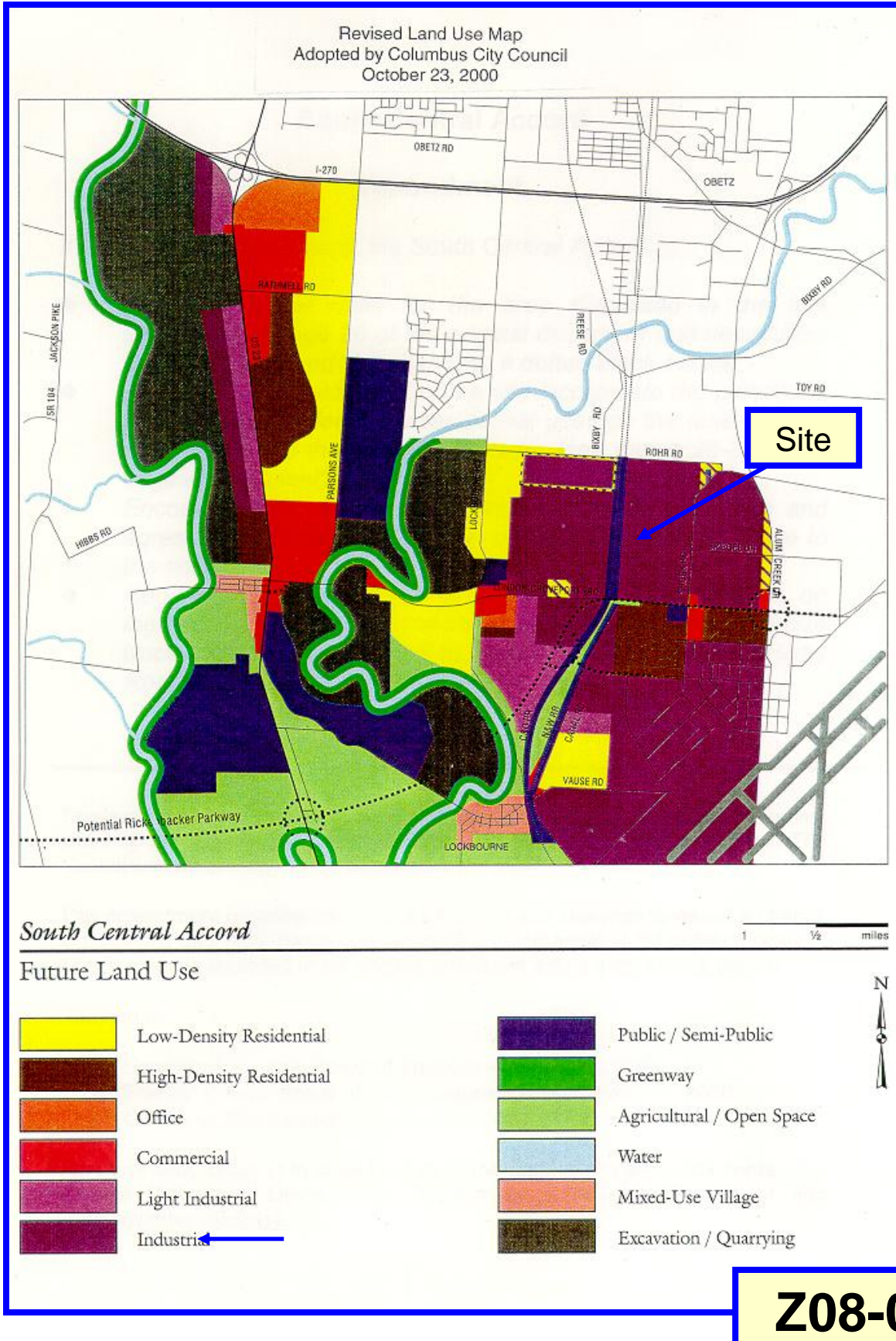
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**PROJECT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is the subject of this application.
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STATE OF OHIO
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

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Being first duly cautioned and sworn (NAME) Christopher N. Slagle
of (COMPLETE ADDRESS) Bricker & Eckler LLP, 100 South Third St., Columbus, OH 43215
deposes and states that (he/she) is the APPLICANT, AGENT or DULY AUTHORIZED ATTORNEY
FOR SAME and the following is a list of all persons, other partnerships, corporations or
entities having a 5% or more interest in the project which is the subject of this application
in the following formats

Name of business or individual
Business of individual's address
Address of corporate headquarters
City, State, Zip
Number of Columbus based employees
Contact name and number

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☐ If applicable, check here if listing additional parties on a separate page (required)

SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT

Subscribed to me in my presence and before me this 20 day
of June, in the year 2008

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

This Project Disclosure Statement expires six months after date of notarization.



SAMANTHA L. WILLIAMS
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires May 12, 2013