

**FORM APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
1 Independence Hill, 2nd Floor, Farmingville, New York 11738**

DATE: 11/3/2022

APPLICATION OF: Global Food Solutions, Inc.  
Name of Owner and/or User of Proposed Project

ADDRESS: 159 Adams Avenue  
Hauppauge, New York 11788

Type of Application:     Tax-Exempt Bond             Taxable Bond  
                                  Straight Lease                     Refunding Bond

Please respond to all items either by filling in blanks, by attachment (by marking space “see attachment number 1”, etc.) or by N.A., where not applicable. Application must be filed in two copies. A non-refundable application fee is required at the time of submission of this application to the Agency. The non-refundable application fee is \$3,000 for applications under \$5 million and \$4,000 for applications of \$5 million or more.

Transaction Counsel to the Agency may require a retainer which will be applied to fees incurred and actual out-of-pocket disbursements made during the inducement and negotiation processes and will be reflected on their final statement at closing.

Information provided herein will not be made public by the Agency prior to the passage of an official Inducement Resolution but may be subject to disclosure under the New York State Freedom of Information Law.

Prior to submitting a completed final application, please arrange to meet with the Agency’s staff to review your draft application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The Board reserves the right to require that the applicant pay for the preparation of a Cost Benefit Analysis, and the right to approve the company completing the analysis.

PLEASE NOTE: It is the policy of the Brookhaven IDA to encourage the use of local labor and the payment of the area standard wage during construction on the project.

IDA benefits may not be conferred upon the Company until the Lease and Project Agreement have been executed.

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**Part I: Owner & User Data**

1. Owner Data:

A. Owner (Applicant for assistance): Global Food Solutions, Inc.

Address: 159 Adams Avenue  
Hauppauge, New York 11788

Federal Employer ID # [REDACTED] Website: www.Globalfoodsolutions.CO

NAICS Code: 311

Owner Officer Certifying Application: Michael Levine

Title of Officer: CEO

Phone Number: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

B. Business Type:

Sole Proprietorship  Partnership  Limited Liability Company

Privately Held  Public Corporation  Listed on \_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation/Formation: New York

C. Nature of Business:

(e.g., “manufacturer of <sup>Food Products</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ for <sup>School Food</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ industry”; “distributor of \_\_\_\_\_”; or “real estate holding company”)

Food Manufacturing and Distribution for the School Food Service Industry

D. Owner Counsel:

Firm Name: Certilman Balin Adler & Hyman, LLP

Address: 90 Merrick Avenue, 9th Floor

East Meadow, NY 11554

Individual Attorney: Howard M. Stein

Phone Number: 516-296-7093

E-mail: hstein@certilmanbalin.com

E. Principal Stockholders, Members or Partners, if any, of the Owner:

| Name                   | Percent Owned |
|------------------------|---------------|
| <u>Michael Levine</u>  | <u>50%</u>    |
| <u>Mitchell Levine</u> | <u>50%</u>    |
| <u> </u>               | <u> </u>      |

F. Has the Owner, or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Owner, or any stockholder, partner, member, officer, director, or other entity with which any of these individuals is or has been associated with:

- i. ever filed for bankruptcy, been adjudicated bankrupt or placed in receivership or otherwise been or presently is the subject of any bankruptcy or similar proceeding? (If yes, please explain)

**No.**

- ii. been convicted of a felony, or misdemeanor, or criminal offense (other than a motor vehicle violation)? (If yes, please explain)

**No.**

G. If any of the above persons (see "E", above) or a group of them, owns more than 50% interest in the Owner, list all other organizations which are related to the Owner by virtue of such persons having more than a 50% interest in such organizations.

**No.**

H. Is the Owner related to any other organization by reason of more than a 50% ownership? If so, indicate name of related organization and relationship:

**No.**

I. List parent corporation, sister corporations and subsidiaries:

**No.**

J. Has the Owner (or any related corporation or person) been involved in or benefited by any prior industrial development financing in the municipality in which this project is located, whether by this agency or another issuer? (Municipality herein means city, town, or village, or if the project is not in an incorporated city, town or village, the unincorporated areas of the county in which it is located.) If so, explain in full:

**No.**

K. List major bank references of the Owner:

**Joseph Barone | Sr. Relationship Manager | J.P. Morgan Chase**

**T: 631-755-5203 | C: 631-456-2423 - Joseph.B.Barone@chase.com**

2. User Data

*\*\* (for co-applicants for assistance or where a landlord/tenant relationship will exist between the owner and the user) \*\**

A. User (together with the Owner, the "Applicant"): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Employer ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

NAICS Code: \_\_\_\_\_

User Officer Certifying Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

B. Business Type:

Sole Proprietorship  Partnership  Privately Held

Public Corporation  Listed on \_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation/Formation: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Nature of Business:

(e.g., "manufacturer of \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ industry"; "distributor of \_\_\_\_\_"; or "real estate holding company")

D. Are the User and the Owner Related Entities?    Yes             No

i. If yes, the remainder of the questions in this Part I, Section 2 (with the exception of "F" below) need not be answered if answered for the Owner.

ii. If no, please complete all questions below.

E. User's Counsel:

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Individual Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

F. Principal Stockholders or Partners, if any:

| Name  | Percent Owned |
|-------|---------------|
| _____ | _____         |
| _____ | _____         |
| _____ | _____         |

G. Has the User, or any subsidiary or affiliate of the User, or any stockholder, partner, officer, director, or other entity with which any of these individuals is or has been associated with:

i. ever filed for bankruptcy, been adjudicated bankrupt or placed in receivership or otherwise been or presently is the subject of any bankruptcy or similar proceeding?  
(If yes, please explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

ii. been convicted of a felony or criminal offense (other than a motor vehicle violation)? (If yes, please explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

H. If any of the above persons (see "F", above) or a group of them, owns more than 50% interest in the User, list all other organizations which are related to the User by virtue of such persons having more than a 50% interest in such organizations.

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I. Is the User related to any other organization by reason of more than a 50% ownership? If so, indicate name of related organization and relationship:

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J. List parent corporation, sister corporations and subsidiaries:

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K. Has the User (or any related corporation or person) been involved in or benefited by any prior industrial development financing in the municipality in which this project is located, whether by this agency or another issuer? (Municipality herein means city, town, or village, or if the project is not in an incorporated city, town or village, the unincorporated areas of the county in which it is located.) If so, explain in full:

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L. List major bank references of the User:

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**Part II – Operation at Current Location**

**\*\**(if the Owner and the User are unrelated entities, answer separately for each)*\*\***

1. Current Location Address: 50 Constance Court, Hauppauge, New York 11788

2. Owned or Leased: Leased

3. Describe your present location (acreage, square footage, number buildings, number of floors, etc.):

Approximately 14,000 square foot, one story warehouse, together with  
a mezzanine level office over a portion of the production space.

4. Type of operation (manufacturing, wholesale, distribution, retail, etc.) and products and/or services:

Applicant's operation focuses on the manufacturing and distribution of food products  
for school districts across the United States, with a focus on the Northeastern portion of the country.

5. Are other facilities or related companies of the Applicant located within the State?  
Yes  No

A. If yes, list the Address: 159 Adams Avenue Hauppauge New York 17788

6. Will the completion of the project result in the removal of any facility or facilities of the Applicant from one area of the state to another OR in the abandonment of any facility or facilities of the Applicant located within the State? Yes  No

A. If no, explain how current facilities will be utilized: \_\_\_\_\_

- B. If yes, please indicate whether the project is reasonably necessary for the Applicant to maintain its competitive position in its industry or remain in the State and explain in full:

Applicant manufactures food products for school districts on Long Island, and is the main supplier for the New York City Public School food programs.

Pursuant to our contracts, we also operate as those districts emergency food supplier for snow days, natural disasters, and other acts of god.

7. Has the Applicant actively considered sites in another state? Yes  No

A. If yes, please list states considered and explain: Applicant has considered relocating to upstate New York,  
as well as, New Jersey and Connecticut in an effort to identify a suitable location to expand our operations.

8. Is the requested financial assistance reasonably necessary to prevent the Applicant from moving out of New York State? Yes  No

A. Please explain: Due to our goods being produced for New York City Public Schools and districts across Long Island, without the

requested financial assistance, we cannot increase manufacturing capacity, create more jobs, and distribute healthy food products for the children in those communities without the Agency's assistance due to high real estate taxes and acquisition costs

9. Number of full-time equivalent employees (FTE's) at current location and average salary (indicate hourly or yearly salary):

38 Employees

Average Salary \$19.50 Per Hour



**Part III – Project Data**

1. Project Type:

A. What type of transaction are you seeking? (Check one)

- Straight Lease  Taxable Bonds  Tax-Exempt Bonds   
Equipment Lease Only

B. Type of benefit(s) the Applicant is seeking: (Check all that apply)

- Sales Tax Exemption  Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption   
PILOT Agreement:

2. Location of project:

A. Street Address: 905 Waverly Avenue, Holtsville, New York 11742

B. Tax Map: District 0200 Section 804.00 Block 01.00 Lot(s) 001.002

C. Municipal Jurisdiction:

- i. Town: Town of Brookhaven  
ii. Village: N/A  
iii. School District: 05 (Sachem)

D. Acreage: 4.94

3. Project Components (check all appropriate categories):

A. Construction of a new building  Yes  No

i. Square footage: 0

B. Renovations of an existing building  Yes  No

i. Square footage: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Demolition of an existing building  Yes  No

i. Square footage: 0

D. Land to be cleared or disturbed  Yes  No

i. Square footage/acreage: 0

E. Construction of addition to an existing building  Yes  No

i. Square footage of addition: 10,000 Sq Feet

ii. Total square footage upon completion: 60,000 Sq Feet

F. Acquisition of an existing building  Yes  No

i. Square footage of existing building: 50,000 Sq Feet

- G. Installation of machinery and/or equipment  Yes  No  
i. List principal items or categories of equipment to be acquired: \_\_\_\_\_  
Warehouse Racking, Freezer, Horizontal and Vertical Wrapping Lines, Fork Lifts, Food Manufacturing Equipment

4. Current Use at Proposed Location:

- A. Does the Applicant currently hold fee title to the proposed location?  
i. If no, please list the present owner of the site: Weiss Realty Associates, LLC
- B. Present use of the proposed location: Vacant

- C. Is the proposed location currently subject to an IDA transaction (whether through this Agency or another?)  Yes  No  
i. If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- D. Is there a purchase contract for the site? (If yes, explain):  Yes  No  
Applicant is the contract vendee pursuant to the Agreement of Sale dated October 24, 2022. The Applicant intends to assign its rights and interest in the Agreement of Sale to a special purpose entity to take title to the project site at closing.

- E. Is there an existing or proposed lease for the site? (If yes, explain):  Yes  No

5. Proposed Use:

- A. Describe the specific operations of the Applicant or other users to be conducted at the project site: Applicant intends to utilize the project for its food Manufacturing, food Assembly,

food Storage, and food distribution operations.

- B. Proposed product lines and market demands: Applicant's product lines include  
grab & go meal kits, pre made sandwiches, grab & go yogurt parfaits,  
and 1.0oz granola bag servings for school children.

C. If any space is to be leased to third parties, indicate the tenant(s), total square footage of the project to be leased to each tenant, and the proposed use by each tenant:

Applicant intends to lease approximately 3,000 square feet of office space to Advantage Food Marketing Corp. and its 21 employees and independent contractor. We currently share our corporate

headquarters with Advantage Food Marketing for the last 10 years, and will maintain the relationship in the new facility.

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D. Need/purpose for project (e.g., why is it necessary, effect on Applicant's business):

The company continues to grow into a major supplier of healthy and "better for you" food products to major school programs mainly

in the Northeast United States. The company is a major supplier to many school districts across the Northeast, including New York City Public Schools, Long Island Schools,

and many school districts across New Jersey and Connecticut. The company needs to remain in the local market to efficiently provide our products and services at a reasonable cost to our customers.

E. Will any portion of the project be used for the making of retail sales to customers who personally visit the project location? Yes  No

i. If yes, what percentage of the project location will be utilized in connection with the sale of retail goods and/or services to customers who personally visit the project location? N/A.

F. To what extent will the project utilize resource conservation, energy efficiency, green technologies, and alternative / renewable energy measures?

Applicant intends to utilize energy efficient: (i) LED lighting systems; (ii) freezer systems; and (iii) temperature control systems.

6. Project Work:

A. Has construction work on this project begun? If yes, complete the following:

|                    |                              |  |            |          |
|--------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|----------|
| i. Site Clearance: | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | % COMPLETE | <u>0</u> |
| ii. Foundation:    | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | % COMPLETE | <u>0</u> |
| iii. Footings:     | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | % COMPLETE | <u>0</u> |
| iv. Steel:         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | % COMPLETE | <u>0</u> |
| v. Masonry:        | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | % COMPLETE | <u>0</u> |
| vi. Other:         |                              |  |            | <u>0</u> |

B. What is the current zoning? Light Industrial I

C. Will the project meet zoning requirements at the proposed location?

Yes  No

\*\*\*Applicant also intends to lease approximately 200 square feet of office space to LineCor Distribution Solutions, Inc., a third-party freight broker, with 2 employees based in New Jersey (who will continue to operate there). LineCor expects to add 1 new FTE at the project site. Please see the schedule annexed hereto with regard to Applicant's proposed subtenants corporate information.

D. If a change of zoning is required, please provide the details/status of the change of zone request: N/A

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E. Have site plans been submitted to the appropriate planning department? Yes  No

7. Project Completion Schedule:

A. What is the proposed commencement date for the acquisition and the construction/renovation/equipping of the project?

i. Acquisition: On or about 02/24/2023

ii. Construction/Renovation/Equipping: 07/01/2023

B. Provide an accurate estimate of the time schedule to complete the project and when the first use of the project is expected to occur: \_\_\_\_\_

We will be immediately transitioning our corporate offices, and will complete moving our dry production and storage into the facility upon the closing of title to the premises.

**Part IV – Project Costs and Financing**

1. Project Costs:

A. Give an accurate estimate of cost necessary for the acquisition, construction, renovation, improvement and/or equipping of the project location:

| <u>Description</u>                  | <u>Amount</u>               |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Land and/or building acquisition    | \$ <u>10,000,000</u>        |
| Building(s) demolition/construction | \$ <u>250,000</u>           |
| Building renovation                 | \$ <u>350,000</u>           |
| Site Work                           | \$ <u>200,000</u>           |
| Machinery and Equipment             | \$ <u>2,575,000</u>         |
| Legal Fees                          | \$ <u>300,000</u>           |
| Architectural/Engineering Fees      | \$ <u>75,000</u>            |
| Financial Charges                   | \$ <u>250,000</u>           |
| Other (Specify)                     | \$ _____                    |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>\$ <u>14,000,000</u></b> |

Please note, IDA fees are based on the total project costs listed above. At the completion of your project, you are required to provide both a certificate of completion along with a cost affidavit certifying the final project costs. The IDA fees may be adjusted as a result of the certified cost affidavit. Money will not be refunded if the final project cost is less than the amount listed above.

2. Method of Financing:

|  | <u>Amount</u>               | <u>Term</u>     |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| A. Tax-exempt bond financing:  | \$ <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u> years  |
| B. Taxable bond financing:   | \$ <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u> years  |
| C. Conventional Mortgage:  | \$ <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u> years  |
| D. SBA (504) or other governmental financing:                                    | \$ <u>11,200,000</u>        | <u>40</u> years |
| E. Public Sources (include sum of all State and federal grants and tax credits): | \$ _____                    |                 |
| F. Other loans:  | \$ <u>0</u>                 | <u>0</u> years  |
| G. Owner/User equity contribution:   | \$ <u>2,800,000</u>         | _____ years     |
| <b>Total Project Costs</b>   | <b>\$ <u>14,000,000</u></b> |                 |

i. What percentage of the project costs will be financed from public sector sources?

80%

3. Project Financing:

A. Have any of the above costs been paid or incurred (including contracts of sale or purchase orders) as of the date of this application? Yes  No

i. If yes, provide detail on a separate sheet.

B. Are costs of working capital, moving expenses, work in progress, or stock in trade included in the proposed uses of bond proceeds? Give details:

**N/A.**

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C. Will any of the funds borrowed through the Agency be used to repay or refinance an existing mortgage or outstanding loan? Give details:

**No**

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D. Has the Applicant made any arrangements for the marketing or the purchase of the bond or bonds? If so, indicate with whom:

**No**

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**Part V – Project Benefits**

1. Mortgage Recording Tax Benefit:

A. Mortgage Amount for exemption (include sum total of construction/permanent/bridge financing):

\$ 0

B. Estimated Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption (product of Mortgage Amount and .75%):

\$ 0

2. Sales and Use Tax Benefit:

A. Gross amount of costs for goods and services that are subject to State and local Sales and Use Tax (such amount to benefit from the Agency’s exemption):

\$ 3,055,000.00

B. Estimated State and local Sales and Use Tax exemption (product of 8.625% and figure above):

\$ 263,493.75

C. If your project has a landlord/tenant (owner/user) arrangement, please provide a breakdown of the number in “B” above:

i. Owner: \$ N/A

ii. User: \$ N/A

3. Real Property Tax Benefit:

A. Identify and describe if the project will utilize a real property tax exemption benefit other than the Agency’s PILOT benefit: N/A

B. Agency PILOT Benefit:

i. Term of PILOT requested: 15

ii. Upon acceptance of this application, the Agency staff will create a PILOT schedule and attach such information to Exhibit A hereto. Applicant hereby requests such PILOT benefit as described on Exhibit A.

**\*\* This application will not be deemed complete and final until Exhibit A hereto has been completed. \*\***

**Part VI – Employment Data**

1. List the Applicant’s and each user's present employment and estimates of (i) employment at the proposed project location, not just new employment, at the end of year one and year two following project completion and (ii) the number of residents of the Labor Market Area\* (“LMA”) that would fill the full-time and part-time jobs at the end of the second year following completion:

Present number of FTEs \*\*: 38      2022      \$58,510  
 Date      Average Annual Salary of Jobs to be Retained  
 FTEs to be Created in First Year: 2023      (fill in year)

|     | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| FTE | 0   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 1    | 1    | 2   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 1   | 12    |

FTEs to be Created in Second Year: \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in year)

|     | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| FTE | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1    | 1    | 2   | 1    | 1   | 1   | 1   | 13    |

Number of Residents of LMA:

Full-Time: 37

Part-Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Total FTEs \*\* After Year 2      63

Construction Jobs to be Created: 10

\* **The Labor Market Area includes the County/City/Town/Village in which the project is located as well as Nassau and Suffolk Counties.**

\*\* **To calculate FTEs (Full-Time Equivalent Employees) please use the following example: if an organization considers 40 hours per week as full-time and there are four employees who work 10 hours each per week, the cumulative hours for those employees equal 1 FTE.**

2. Salary and Fringe Benefits:

| Category of Jobs to be Created | Average Salary | Average Fringe Benefits |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Salary Wage Earners            | \$76,460       | \$8,780                 |
| Commission Wage Earners        | N/A            | N/A                     |
| Hourly Wage Earners            | \$40,560       | \$4,680                 |
| 1099 and Contract Workers      | N/A            | N/A                     |

What is the annualized salary range of jobs to created? \$40,560 to \$110,000

Note: The Agency reserves the right to visit the facility to confirm that job creation numbers are being met.



**Part VII – Representations, Certifications and Indemnification**

1. Is the Applicant in any litigation which would have a material adverse effect on the Applicant's financial condition? (If yes, furnish details on a separate sheet)

Yes  No

2. Has the Applicant or any of the management of the Applicant, the anticipated users or any of their affiliates, or any other concern with which such management has been connected, been cited for a violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations with respect to labor practices, hazardous wastes, environmental pollution, or other operating practices? (If yes, furnish details on a separate sheet)

Yes  No

3. Is there a likelihood that the Applicant would proceed with this project without the Agency's assistance? (If no, please explain why; if yes, please explain why the Agency should grant the benefits requested)

Yes  No

Applicant would not, we need the Agency's assistance to keep our production and distribution here on Long Island so that we can

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ensure high levels of service for the Schools of NYC Public Programs as well as the hundreds of schools located here on Long Island.

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4. If the Applicant is unable to obtain financial assistance from the Agency for the project, what would be the impact on the Applicant and on the municipality?

The municipality would lose out on the opportunity to have a thriving company that is making a positive impact

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on school children continue to create jobs on Long Island within its borders. Moreover, the Applicant would likely

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have to relocate to an area with lower real estate taxes and acquisition costs, but for the Agency's financial assistance with Applicant's proposed project.

**Original signature and initials are required. Electronic signatures and initials are not permitted.**

5. The Applicant understands and agrees that in accordance with Section 858-b(2) of the General Municipal Law, except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining agreements, new employment opportunities created as a result of the project will be listed with the New York State Department of Labor, Community Services Division and with the administrative entity of the service delivery area created pursuant to the Job Training Partnership Act (PL 97-300) in which the project is located (collectively, the "Referral Agencies"). The Applicant also agrees that it will, except as otherwise provided by collective bargaining contracts or agreements to which they are parties, where practicable, first consider for such new employment opportunities persons eligible to participate in federal job training partnership programs who shall be referred by the Referral Agencies.

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6. The Applicant confirms and acknowledges that the submission of any knowingly false or knowingly misleading information may lead to the immediate termination of any financial assistance and the reimbursement of an amount equal to all or part of any tax exemption claimed by reason of the Agency's involvement in the Project as well as may lead to other possible enforcement actions.

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7. The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges that as of the date of this Application, the Applicant is in substantial compliance with all provisions of Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law, including, but not limited to, the provision of Section 859-a and Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law.

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8. The Applicant represents and warrants that to the Applicant's knowledge neither it nor any of its affiliates, nor any of their respective partners, members, shareholders or other equity owners, and none of their respective employees, officers, directors, representatives or agents is, nor will they become a person or entity with who United States persons or entities are restricted from doing business under regulations of the Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC) of the Department of the Treasury (including those named on OFAC's Specially Designated and Blocked Persons List or under any statute, executive order including the September 24, 2001, Executive Order Block Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, or other governmental action and is not and will not assign or otherwise transfer this Agreement to, contract with or otherwise engage in any dealings or transactions or be otherwise associated with such persons or entities.

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9. The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges it has received the Agency's fee schedule attached hereto as Schedule A and agrees to pay such fees, together with any expenses incurred by the Agency, including those of Transaction Counsel, with respect to the Facility. The Applicant agrees to pay such expenses and further agrees to indemnify the Agency, its members, directors, employees, and agents and hold the Agency and such persons harmless against claims for losses, damage or injury or any expenses or damages incurred as a result of action taken by or on behalf of the Agency in good faith with respect to the project. The IDA fees are based on the total project costs listed in this application. At the completion of the project, you are required to provide both a certificate of completion along with a cost affidavit certifying the final project costs. The IDA fees may be increased as a result of the certified cost affidavit. Monies will not be refunded if the final costs are below the amount listed in the application.

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10. The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges it has received the Agency's Construction Wage Policy attached hereto as Schedule B and agrees to comply with the same.

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11. The Applicant hereby agrees to comply with Section 875 of the General Municipal Law. The Company further agrees that the financial assistance granted to the project by the Agency is subject to recapture pursuant to Section 875 of the Act and the Agency's Recapture and Termination Policy, attached hereto as Schedule C.

Initial MC

12. The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges it has received the Agency's PILOT Policy attached hereto as Schedule D and agrees to comply with the same.

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13. The Company hereby authorizes the Agency, without further notice or consent, to use the Company's name, logo and photographs related to the Facility in its advertising, marketing, and communications materials. Such materials may include web pages, print ads, direct mail and various types of brochures or marketing sheets, and various media formats other than those listed (including without limitation video or audio presentations through any media form). In these materials, the Agency also has the right to publicize its involvement in the Project.

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**Part VIII – Submission of Materials**

1. Financial statements for the last two fiscal years (unless included in the Applicant's annual report).
2. Applicant's annual reports (or 10-K's if publicly held) for the two most recent fiscal years.
3. Quarterly reports (form 10-Q's) and current reports (form 8-K's) since the most recent annual report, if any.
4. In addition, please attach the financial information described in items A, B, and C of any expected guarantor of the proposed bond issue.
5. Completed Environmental Assessment Form.
6. Most recent quarterly filing of NYS Department of Labor Form 45, as well as the most recent fourth quarter filing. Please remove the employee Social Security numbers and note the full-time equivalency for part-time employees.

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**Part IX – Special Representations**

1. The Applicant understands and agrees that the provisions of Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law, as provided below, will not be violated if financial assistance is provided for the proposed project. The Applicant hereby indicates its compliance with Section 862(1) by signing the applicable statement below. **(Please sign only one of the following statements a. or b. below).**

a. The completion of the entire project will not result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant located within the state.

Representative of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

b. The completion of this entire project will result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the state to another area of the state or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant located within the state because the project is reasonably necessary to discourage the project occupant from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the state or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the project occupant in its respective industry.

Representative of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

2. The Applicant confirms and hereby acknowledges that as of the date of this Application, the Applicant is in substantial compliance with all provisions of Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law, including, but not limited to, the provision of Section 859-a and Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law.

Representative of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

3. In accordance with Section 862(1) of the New York General Municipal Law the Applicant understands and agrees that projects which result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the project occupant from one area of the State to another area of the State or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the project occupant within the State is ineligible for financial assistance from the Agency, unless otherwise approved by the Agency as reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the project in its respective industry or to discourage the project occupant from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the State.

Representative of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

4. The Applicant confirms and acknowledges that the owner, occupant, or operator receiving financial assistance for the proposed project is in substantial compliance with applicable local, state, and federal tax, worker protection and environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

Representative of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

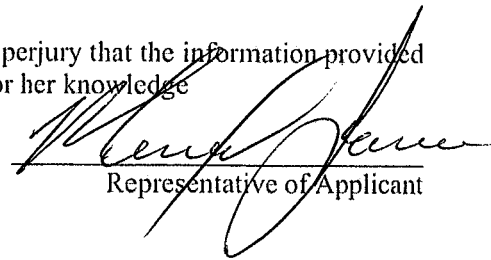
**Part X – Certification**

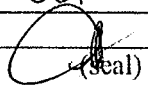
Michael Levine (Name of representative of entities submitting application) deposes and says that he or she is the CEO (title) of Global Food Solutions, Inc., the entities named in the attached application; that he or she has read the foregoing application and knows the contents thereof; and that the same is true to his or her knowledge.

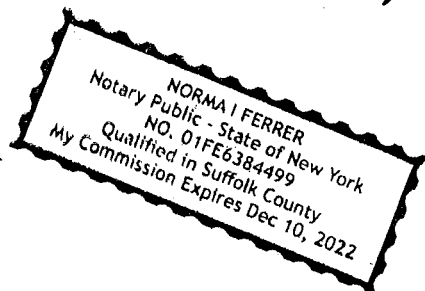
Deponent further says that s/he is duly authorized to make this certification on behalf of the entities named in the attached Application (the "Applicant") and to bind the Applicant. The grounds of deponent's belief relative to all matters in said Application which are not stated upon his/her personal knowledge are investigations which deponent has caused to be made concerning the subject matter this Application, as well as information acquired by deponent in the course of his/her duties in connection with said Applicant and from the books and papers of the Applicant.

As representative of the Applicant, deponent acknowledges and agrees that Applicant shall be and is responsible for all costs incurred by the Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency") in connection with this Application, the attendant negotiations and all matters relating to the provision of financial assistance to which this Application relates, whether or not ever carried to successful conclusion. If, for any reason whatsoever, the Applicant fails to conclude or consummate necessary negotiations or fails to act within a reasonable or specified period of time to take reasonable, proper, or requested action or withdraws, abandons, cancels or neglects the application or if the Applicant is unable to find buyers willing to purchase the total bond issue required, then upon presentation of invoice, Applicant shall pay to the Agency, its agents or assigns, all actual costs incurred with respect to the application, up to that date and time, including fees to bond or transaction counsel for the Agency and fees of general counsel for the Agency. Upon successful conclusion of the transaction contemplated herein, the Applicant shall pay to the Agency an administrative fee set by the Agency in accordance with its fee schedule in effect on the date of the foregoing application, and all other appropriate fees, which amounts are payable at closing.

The Applicant hereby subscribes and affirms under the penalties of perjury that the information provided in this Application is true, accurate and complete to the best of his or her knowledge

  
Representative of Applicant

Sworn to me before this 31<sup>st</sup>  
Day of Oct, 20 22  
 (Seal)



**\*\* Note: If the entities named in this Application are unrelated and one individual cannot bind both entities, Parts VII, IX and X of this Application must be completed by an individual representative for each entity \*\***

**EXHIBIT A**

**Proposed PILOT Schedule**

Upon acceptance of the Application and completion of the Cost Benefit Analysis, the Agency will attach the proposed PILOT Schedule to this Exhibit.

**Global Food Solutions DRAFT PILOT**

| YEAR | PILOT     |
|------|-----------|
| 1    | \$ 50,053 |
| 2    | \$ 51,054 |
| 3    | \$ 52,075 |
| 4    | \$ 53,116 |
| 5    | \$ 54,179 |
| 6    | \$ 55,262 |
| 7    | \$ 56,367 |
| 8    | \$ 57,495 |
| 9    | \$ 58,645 |
| 10   | \$ 59,818 |

**PROPOSED PILOT BENEFITS ARE  
FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY  
AND HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED BY  
THE AGENCY.**



**Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development**  
**Schedule of Fees**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Application -  | \$3,000 for projects with total costs under \$5 million<br>\$4,000 for projects with total costs \$5 million and over<br>(non-refundable)  |
| Closing/Expansion<br>Sale/Transfer/Increase of<br>Mortgage Amount/<br>Issuance of Refunding<br>Bonds - | ¾ of one percent up to \$25 million total project cost and an additional 1/4 of one percent on any project costs in excess of \$25 million. Projects will incur a minimum charge of \$10,000 plus all fees incurred by the Agency including, but not limited to publication, legal, and risk monitoring. |
| Annual Administrative -  | \$2,000 administrative fee plus \$500 per unrelated subtenant located in the project facility. This fee is due annually.   |
| Termination –  | Between \$1,000 and \$2,500  |
| Refinance<br>(excluding refunding bonds) –   | 1/4 of one percent of mortgage amount or \$5,000, whichever is greater.  |
| Late PILOT Payment –   | 5% penalty, 1% interest compounded monthly, plus \$1,000 administrative fee.   |
| PILOT extension -  | a minimum of \$15,000  |
| Processing Fee -   | \$275 per hour with a minimum fee of \$275   |
| Lease of Existing Buildings<br>(partial or complete) -   | Fee is based on contractual lease amount.  |

The Agency reserves the right to adjust these fees.

Updated: November 17, 2020

**SCHEDULE B**

**CONSTRUCTION WAGE POLICY**

**EFFECTIVE January 1, 2005**

The purpose of the Brookhaven IDA is to provide benefits that reduce costs and financial barriers to the creation and to the expansion of business and enhance the number of jobs in the Town.

The Agency has consistently sought to ensure that skilled and fair paying construction jobs be encouraged in projects funded by the issuance of IDA tax exempt bonds in large projects.

The following shall be the policy of the Town of Brookhaven IDA for application for financial assistance in the form of tax-exempt financing for projects with anticipated construction costs in excess of \$5,000,000.00 per site received after January 1, 2005. Non-profit corporations and affordable housing projects are exempt from the construction wage policy.

Any applicant required to adhere to this policy shall agree to:

- (1) Employ 90% of the workers for the project from within Nassau or Suffolk Counties. In the event that this condition cannot be met, the applicant shall submit to the Agency an explanation as to the reasons for its failure to comply and;
- (2) Be governed by the requirements of Section 220d of Article 8 of the Labor Law of the State of New York; and when requested by the Agency, provide to the Agency a plan for an apprenticeship program;

OR

- (3) Provide to the Agency a project labor agreement or alternative proposal to pay fair wages to workers at the construction site.

Furthermore, this policy may be waived, in the sole and final discretion of the Agency, in the event that the applicant demonstrates to the Agency special circumstances or economic hardship to justify a waiver to be in the best interests of the Town of Brookhaven.

Adopted: May 23, 2005

**SCHEDULE C**

**RECAPTURE AND TERMINATION POLICY**

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 8, 2016**

Pursuant to Sections 874(10) and (11) of Title 1 of Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law (the “Act”), the Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency”) is required to adopt policies (i) for the discontinuance or suspension of any financial assistance provided by the Agency to a project or the modification of any payment in lieu of tax agreement and (ii) for the return of all or part of the financial assistance provided by the Agency to a project. This Recapture and Termination Policy was adopted pursuant to a resolution enacted by the members of the Agency on June 8, 2016.

**I. Termination or Suspension of Financial Assistance**

The Agency, in its sole discretion and on a case-by-case basis, may determine (but shall not be required to do so) to terminate or suspend the Financial Assistance (defined below) provided to a project upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, as such term is defined and described in the Lease Agreement entered into by the Agency and a project applicant (the “Applicant”) or any other document entered into by such parties in connection with a project (the “Project Documents”). Such Events of Default may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- 1) Sale or closure of the Facility (as such term is defined in the Project Documents);
- 2) Failure by the Applicant to pay or cause to be paid amounts specified to be paid pursuant to the Project Documents on the dates specified therein;
- 3) Failure by the Applicant to create and/or maintain the FTEs as provided in the Project Documents;
- 4) A material violation of the terms and conditions of the Project Agreements; and
- 5) A material misrepresentation contained in the application for Financial Assistance, any Project Agreements or any other materials delivered pursuant to the Project Agreements.

The decision of whether to terminate or suspend Financial Assistance and the timing of such termination or suspension of Financial Assistance shall be determined by the Agency, in its sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis, and shall be subject to the notice and cure periods provided for in the Project Documents.

For the purposes of this policy, the term “Financial Assistance” shall mean all direct monetary benefits, tax exemptions and abatements and other financial assistance, if any, derived solely from the Agency’s participation in the transaction contemplated by the Project Agreements including, but not limited to:

- (i) any exemption from any applicable mortgage recording tax with respect to the Facility on mortgages granted by the Agency on the Facility at the request of the Applicant;

- (ii) sales tax exemption savings realized by or for the benefit of the Applicant, including and savings realized by any agent of the Applicant pursuant to the Project Agreements in connection with the Facility; and
- (iii) real property tax abatements granted under the Project Agreements.

## **II. Recapture of Financial Assistance**

The Agency, in its sole discretion and on a case-by-case basis, may determine (but shall not be required to do so) to recapture all or part of the Financial Assistance provided to a project upon the occurrence of a Recapture Event, as such term is defined and described in the Project Documents. Such Recapture Events may include, but shall not be limited to the following:

- 1) Sale or closure of the Facility (as such term is defined in the Project Documents);
- 2) Failure by the Applicant to pay or cause to be paid amounts specified to be paid pursuant to the Project Documents on the dates specified therein;
- 3) Failure by the Applicant to create and/or maintain the FTEs as provided in the Project Documents;
- 4) A material violation of the terms and conditions of the Project Agreements; and
- 5) A material misrepresentation contained in the application for Financial Assistance, any Project Agreements or any other materials delivered pursuant to the Project Agreements.

The timing of the recapture of the Financial Assistance shall be determined by the Agency, in its sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis, and is subject to the notice and cure periods provided for in the Project Documents. The percentage of such Financial Assistance to be recaptured shall be determined by the provisions of the Project Documents.

All recaptured amounts of Financial Assistance shall be redistributed to the appropriate affected taxing jurisdiction, unless agreed to otherwise by any local taxing jurisdiction.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Agency may determine to terminate, suspend and/or recapture Financial Assistance in its sole discretion. Such actions may be exercised simultaneously or separately and are not mutually exclusive of one another.

## **III. Modification of Payment In Lieu of Tax Agreement**

In the case of any Event of Default or Recapture Event, in lieu of terminating, suspending, or recapturing the Financial Assistance, the Agency may, in its sole discretion, adjust the payments in lieu of taxes due under the Project Agreements, so that the payments in lieu of taxes payable under the Project Agreements are adjusted upward retroactively and/or prospectively for each tax year until such time as the Applicant has complied with the provisions of the Project Agreements. The amount of such adjustments shall be determined by the provisions of the Project Documents.

## SCHEDULE D

### Agency Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Policy

An annual fee of \$2,000 (plus \$500 per subtenant) will be due to the Agency in addition to the PILOT payment to cover ongoing costs incurred by the Agency on behalf of the project.

1. The Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency (IDA) may grant or be utilized to obtain a partial or full real property tax abatement for a determined period. To be eligible for this abatement there would be a requirement of new construction, or renovation, and a transfer of title of the real property to the Town of Brookhaven IDA.
2. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee shall consult with the Town Assessor to ascertain the amounts due pursuant to each PILOT Agreement. Thereafter, the PILOT payment for each project shall be billed to the current lessees. The lessees can pay the PILOT payment in full by January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, or in two equal payments due January 31<sup>st</sup> and May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year of the PILOT Agreement. The CEO or their designee shall send all PILOT invoices to the lessees on a timely basis.
3. The Town of Brookhaven IDA shall establish a separate, interest-bearing bank account for receipt and deposit of all PILOT payments. The CEO or their designee shall be responsible for depositing and maintaining said funds with input from the Chief Financial Officer (CFO).
4. The CEO or their designee shall remit PILOT payments and penalties if any, to the respective taxing authorities in the proportionate amounts due to said authorities. These remittances shall be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of the payments to the Agency.
5. Payments in lieu of taxes which are delinquent under the agreement shall be subject to a late payment penalty of five percent (5%) of the amount due. For each month, or part thereof, that the payment in lieu of taxes is delinquent beyond the first month, interest shall on the total amount due plus a late payment penalty in the amount of one percent (1%) per month until the payment is made.
6. If a PILOT payment is not received by **January 31<sup>st</sup>** of any year or **May 31<sup>st</sup>** of the second half of the year the lessee shall be in default pursuant to the PILOT Agreement. The Agency may give the lessee notice of said default. If the payment is not received within thirty (30) days of when due, the CEO shall notify the Board, and thereafter take action as directed by the Board.
7. The CEO shall maintain records of the PILOT accounts at the Agency office.
8. Nothing herein shall be interpreted to require the Agency to collect or disburse PILOT payments for any projects which are not Agency projects.

9. Should the Applicant fail to reach employment levels as outlined in their application to the Agency, the Board reserves the right to reduce or suspend the PILOT Agreement, declare a default under the Lease or the Installment Sale Agreement, and/or convey the title back to the Applicant.
10. This policy has been adopted by the IDA Board upon recommendation of the Governance Committee and may only be amended in the same manner.

**Global Food Solutions, Inc.'s Application for Financial Assistance  
to Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency**

**Schedule of Subtenants**

1. Advantage Food Marketing Corp.  
159 Adams Avenue, Hauppauge, New York 11788

Equity Owners:

- Mitchell Levine: 25%
- Brigitte Rounds: 25%
- John Williams: 25%
- Ron Fast: 14%
- Advantage Food Marketing Corp.: 11%

2. LineCor Distribution Solutions Inc.,  
P.O. Box 326, Middlesex, New Jersey 08846

Equity Owners:

- Mitchell Levine: 25%
- Michael Levine: 25%
- Sal Bruno: 25%
- LineCor Distribution Solutions Inc.: 25%



**Date:** October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Subject:** IDA Project Costs Incurred

To Whom It May Concern,

In accordance with page 14 of the "FORM APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY" please see the below breakdown of current costs that have been incurred as of the date of this application.

Currently the company has incurred costs as of the date of the application for the following:

| Type                      | Amount                      |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Building Security Deposit | \$500,000                   |
| Legal Fees                | Cost TBD (20+ Hours so far) |
| Accounting Fees           | Cost TBD (20+ Hours so far) |

The company does intend to have additional costs incurred through the process.

Should any additional information be needed please let me know and we will be sure to follow up right away.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Levine'.

Michael Levine

CEO

Global Food Solutions (All Brands)

[Mikelevine@Globalfoodsolutions.CO](mailto:Mikelevine@Globalfoodsolutions.CO)

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