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April 30, 2015

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS:

Wayne Spinei
International Business Machines Corporation
New Orchard Road
Armonk, New York 10504

RE: Orange County Industrial Development Agency
2015 International Business Machines Corporation Project
299-300 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, NY

Dear Wayne:

Pursuant to your request, enclosed herewith please find a sales tax letter and related documentation which provides for sales tax exemption for your project referenced above until the date of December 31, 2020. **Please Note: the sales tax exemption package has changed a bit since the last time you received one.**

I have included in this package the new form ST-123 which NYS put into place in June of last year. Your subcontractors and/or vendors may request this form in which case I have prepared one for you (the Company) to use when purchasing directly from a vendor and one for your sub-agents to use when they purchase from a vendor. This is all explained more fully in the Agent Agreement.

Please review the enclosed package carefully to ensure full compliance with State sales tax requirements so you do not jeopardize your Company's benefits.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or Russ Gaenzle at (585) 419-8800.

Very truly yours,



Lori A. Palmer
Paralegal

Enclosures

SALES TAX EXEMPTION PROCEDURES LETTER

April 28, 2015

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International Business Machines Corporation
New Orchard Road
Armonk, New York 10504

**Re: Orange County Industrial Development Agency and International
Business Machines Corporation**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to resolutions duly adopted on February 12, 2015 and April 9, 2015, the **Orange County Industrial Development Agency** (the "Agency") appointed **International Business Machines Corporation** (or its designee) (the "Company") the true and lawful agent of the Agency to undertake a certain project (the "Project") consisting of the renovation and upgrading of existing improvements located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York (the "Land"), including, but not limited to, expansion of building systems and raised floor areas, increase in generator plant capacity, HVAC replacement, UPS systems and energy management upgrades (the "Improvements") and the acquisition and installation of other machinery, equipment, computer systems and other personal property (the "Equipment" and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility").

This appointment includes authority to purchase on behalf of the Agency all materials to be incorporated into and made an integral part of the Facility and the following activities as they relate to any construction, erection and completion of any buildings, whether or not any materials, equipment or supplies described below are incorporated into or become an integral part of such buildings: (1) all purchases, leases, rentals and other uses of tools, machinery and equipment in connection with the renovation and equipping, (2) all purchases, rentals, uses or consumption of supplies, materials, utilities and services of every kind and description used in connection with the renovation and equipping and (3) all purchases, leases, rentals and uses of equipment, machinery and other tangible personal property (including installation costs), installed or placed in upon or under such building or facility, including all repairs and replacements of such property.

This agency appointment includes the power to delegate such agency, in whole or in part to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents, if any, and to such other parties as the Company chooses, as is set forth in the Agent Agreement, dated as of April 28, 2015, by and between the Agency and the Company (the "Agent Agreement"). As further set forth in the Agent

Agreement, the Company is required to complete "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes" (NYS Form ST-60) for each agent, subagent, contractor, subcontractor, if any, and such other parties as the Company chooses who provide materials, equipment, supplies or services and execute said form as agent for the Agency and forward said form to the New York State ("State") Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, in order to be entitled to use the exemption from New York State Sales and Use Taxes ("Sales Tax"), the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors, if any, should present to the supplier or vendor of materials for the Project, a completed "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (NYS Form ST-123), to show that the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors are each acting as agent for the Agency in making the purchases of tangible personal property or services for use in the Project, thereby relieving such vendor or seller from the obligation to collect Sales Tax with respect to the renovation and installation and equipping of the Facility. In connection therewith, it is necessary for the Company to identify the Project on each bill or invoice and indicate thereon which of the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors acted as agent for the Agency in making the purchases.

As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, the Company is required to file an annual statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Company, its agents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company by the Agency with respect to this Project, and the Company is required to provide a copy of same to the Agency within thirty (30) days of each filing; provided, however, in no event later than February 15th of each year.

The agent status conferred on the Company by the Agency is limited to the Project, and will expire on **December 31, 2020**. The Company may apply to extend this agency authority by showing good cause; *provided, however, the exemption for leases executed prior to said date shall continue through the term or extended term of said lease and any acquisition of said leased property*. Should the agency authority be extended beyond such date, the agency created will continue for as long as the period of the Agency resolution approving such extension.

This letter is provided for the sole purpose of describing the exemption from Sales Tax for this Project only. No other principal/agent relationship is intended or may be implied or inferred by this letter.


This letter is being issued pursuant to the Agent Agreement. All agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project should be aware of the Agent Agreement and obtain a copy thereof.

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As further set forth in the Agent Agreement, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency is not liable, either directly or indirectly or contingently, upon any such contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase order in any manner and to any extent whatsoever (including payment or performance obligations), and the Company is the sole party liable thereunder.

Very truly yours,

ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: 
James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

AGENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the 28th day of April, 2015, is by and between the **ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**, a public benefit corporation of the State of New York, having its offices at Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100, New Windsor, New York 12553 (the "Agency") and **INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York, with offices on New Orchard Road, Armonk, New York 10504 (the "Company").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agency was created by Chapter 565 of the Laws of 1970 of the State of New York pursuant to Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act") as a body corporate and politic and as a public benefit corporation of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project (the "Project") consisting of the renovation and upgrading of existing improvements located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York (the "Land"), including, but not limited to, expansion of building systems and raised floor areas, increase in generator plant capacity, HVAC replacement, UPS systems and energy management upgrades (the "Improvements") and the acquisition and installation of other machinery, equipment, computer systems, telecommunication systems, SW and other personal property used at the facility (the "Equipment" and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted on April 9, 2015 (the "Resolution"), the Agency authorized the Company to act as its agent for the purposes of undertaking the Project subject to the Company entering into this Agent Agreement and, pursuant to the Resolution and this Agent Agreement, the Company has the power to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses including but not limited to the individuals and entities described on Schedule A attached hereto. The Company shall have the right to amend Schedule A from time to time and shall be responsible for maintaining an accurate list of all parties to whom has delegated any agency authority granted to the Company hereunder.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants herein contained and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. Scope of Agency. The Company hereby agrees to limit its activities as agent for the Agency under the authority of the Resolution to acts reasonably related to the undertaking of the Project. The right of the Company to act as agent of the Agency shall expire on **December 31, 2020**, unless extended as contemplated by the Resolution. The aggregate amount of work performed as Agent for the Agency shall not exceed the amounts described in the Application of the Company in this matter. All contracts entered into by the Company as agent for the Agency shall include the following language:

"This contract is being entered into by **INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION** (the "Company"), as agent for and on behalf of the **ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "Agency"), in connection with a certain project of the Agency for the benefit of the Agent consisting in part of the acquisition and installation of certain machinery, equipment and building materials, all for incorporation and installation in certain improvements located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York (being more particularly described as TMID No. 85-1-1.1) (the "Land"). The machinery, equipment and building materials to be incorporated and installed on the Land and all services and rentals of equipment related to the acquisition and equipping of the Project shall be exempt from the sales and use taxes levied by the State of New York if the acquisition thereof is effected in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the attached sales tax exemption letter of the Agency; and the Agent hereby represents that this contract is in compliance with the terms of the Agent Agreement by and between International Business Machines Corporation and the Agency. This contract is non-recourse to the Agency, and the Agency shall not be directly, indirectly or contingently liable or obligated hereunder in any manner or to any extent whatsoever. By execution or acceptance of this contract, the vendor/contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions set forth in this paragraph."

2. Representations and Covenants of the Company. The Company makes the following representations and covenants in order to induce the Agency to proceed with the Project:

(a) The Company is a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of New York (the "State"), has the authority to enter into this Agreement and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

(b) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the provisions of this Agreement will conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound, or will constitute a default under any of the foregoing, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien of any nature upon any of the property of the Company under the terms of any such instrument or agreement.

(c) The Equipment and the operation thereof will conform with all applicable zoning, planning, building and environmental laws and regulations of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Equipment, and the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from any liability or expenses resulting from any failure by the Company to comply with the provisions of this subsection (c).

(d) There is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, public board or body pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company, to which the Company is a party or may be named

as a party, and in which an adverse result would in any way diminish or adversely impact on the Company's ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.

(e) The Company covenants that the Equipment will comply in all respects with all environmental laws and regulations, and, except in compliance with environmental laws and regulations, (i) that no pollutants, contaminants, solid wastes, or toxic or hazardous substances will be stored, treated, generated, disposed of, or allowed to exist on the Site except in compliance with all material applicable laws, (ii) the Company will take all reasonable and prudent steps to prevent an unlawful release of hazardous substances on the Site or onto any other property, (iii) that no asbestos will be incorporated into or disposed of on the Site, (iv) that no underground storage tanks will be located on the Site, and (v) that no investigation, order, agreement, notice, demand or settlement with respect to any of the above is threatened, anticipated, or in existence. The Company upon receiving any information or notice contrary to the representations contained in this Section shall immediately notify the Agency in writing with full details regarding the same. The Company hereby releases the Agency from liability with respect to, and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Agency, its executive director, directors, members, officers, employees, agents (other than the Company), representatives, successors, and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, orders, liabilities, penalties, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) related in any way to any violation of the covenants or failure to be accurate of the representations contained in this Section. In the event the Agency in its reasonable discretion deems it necessary to perform due diligence with respect to any of the above, or to have an environmental audit performed with respect to the Site, the Company agrees to pay the expenses of same to the Agency upon demand, and agrees that upon failure to do so, its obligation for such expenses shall be deemed to be additional rent.

(f) Any personal property acquired by the Company in the name of the Agency shall be located in the Town of Warwick, New York, except for temporary periods during ordinary use.

(g) In accordance with Section 875(3) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Company covenants and agrees that, if it receives New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") from the Agency, and it is determined that: (i) the Company is not entitled to the sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized by the Agency to be taken by the Company; (iii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; or (iv) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are taken in cases where the Company fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project, then the Company will (1) cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any sales and use tax exemption benefits, and (2) promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands in connection therewith. The Company further understands and agrees that in the event that the Company fails to pay over such amounts to the Agency, the New York State Tax Commissioner may assess and determine New York State and local sales and use taxes due from the Company, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts.

(h) The Company further covenants and agrees that the purchase of goods and services relating to the Project and subject to New York State and local sales and use taxes are

estimated in the amount up to **\$50,000,000**, and, therefore, the value of the sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized and approved by the Agency cannot exceed **\$4,062,500**.

(i) The Company further covenants and agrees to complete "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes" (NYS Form ST-60), in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, for each agent, subagent, contractor, subcontractor, if any, contractors or subcontractors of such agents and subagents, if any, and such other parties as the Company chooses who provide materials, equipment, supplies or services to or for the project and to forward said form to the State Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment.

(j) The Company further covenants and agrees to file an annual statement with the State Department of Taxation and Finance on "Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions" (NYS Form ST-340), in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B** regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Company, its agents, subagents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on the Company with respect to the Project in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 874(8). The Company further covenants and agrees that it will, within thirty (30) days of each filing, provide a copy of same to the Agency; provided, however, in no event later than February 15th of each year a copy of each such filing will be provided to the Agency. The Company understands and agrees that the failure to file such annual statement will result in the removal of the Company's authority to act as agent for the Agency and a right in favor of the Agency to terminate this Agreement.

(k) The Company acknowledges and agrees that all purchases made in furtherance of the Project shall be made using "IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate" (NYS Form ST-123, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C-1**, and it shall be the responsibility of the Company (and not the Agency) to complete NYS Form ST-123, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C-2**. The Company acknowledges and agrees that it shall identify the Project on each bill and invoice for such purchases and further indicate on such bills or invoices that the Company is making purchases of tangible personal property or services for use in the Project as agent of the Agency. For purposes of indicating who the purchaser is, the Company acknowledges and agrees that the bill of invoice should state, "I, [NAME OF AGENT/SUBAGENT], certify that I am a duly appointed agent of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the following IDA project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes under my agent agreement with the Orange County Industrial Development Agency." The Company further acknowledges and agrees that the following information shall be used by the Company to identify the Project on each bill and invoice: "International Business Machines Corporation Project, 299 Long Meadow Road, Warwick, New York 10990, and IDA project number, which is [3305-15-06A]."

(l) The Company acknowledges and agrees that, except to the extent of bond proceeds (to the extent bonds are issued by the Agency with respect to the Project), the Agency shall not be liable, either directly or indirectly or contingently, upon any such contract, agreement, invoice, bill or purchase order in any manner and to any extent whatsoever (including payment or performance obligations), and the Company shall be the sole party liable thereunder.

(m) The Company covenants and agrees that it has reviewed the Agency's Labor Policy and agrees that at least 85% of the construction workers, as that term is defined in the

Labor Policy, shall, pursuant to said policy, reside within one of the following counties in the State of New York: Orange, Dutchess, New York, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster or Westchester, unless the Agency's Executive Director exempts the Company from such requirement.

3. Hold Harmless Provision. The Company hereby releases the Agency from, agrees that the Agency shall not be liable for, and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Agency and its executive director, directors, officers, members, employees, agents (except the Company), representatives, successors and assigns harmless from and against any and all (i) liability for loss or damage to property or injury to or death of any and all persons that may be occasioned by any cause whatsoever pertaining to the Equipment or arising by reason of or in connection with the occupation or the use thereof or the presence on, in or about the Site or breach by the Company of this Agreement or (ii) liability arising from or expense incurred by the Agency's financing, acquiring, equipping, owning and leasing of the Equipment, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all causes of action and reasonable attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred in defending any suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing. The foregoing indemnities shall apply notwithstanding the fault or negligence on the part of the Agency, or any of its respective members, directors, officers, agents (other than the Company) or employees and irrespective of the breach of a statutory obligation or the application of any rule of comparative or apportioned liability, except that such indemnities will not be applicable with respect to willful misconduct or gross negligence on the part of the Agency, its executive director, directors, officers, members, employees, agents (except the Company), representatives, successors and assigns or any other person or entity to be indemnified.

4. Insurance Required. Effective as of the date hereof and until the Agency consents in writing to a termination, the Company shall maintain or cause to be maintained insurance against such risks and for such amounts as are customarily insured against by businesses of like size and type and paying, as the same become due and payable, all premiums in respect thereto, including, but not necessarily limited to:

(a) Insurance against loss or damage by fire, lightning and other casualties, with a uniform standard extended coverage endorsement, such insurance to be in an amount reasonably determined by the Company. The Company may insure the Equipment and the Site under a blanket insurance policy or policies covering not only the Equipment and the Site but other properties as well. Such insurance shall have a commercially reasonable deductible.

(b) Workers' compensation insurance, disability benefits insurance, and each other form of insurance which the Agency or the Company is required by law to provide, covering loss resulting from injury, sickness, disability or death of employees of the Company who are located at or assigned to the Site.

(c) Insurance against loss or losses from liabilities imposed by law or assumed in any written contract and arising from personal injury and death or damage to the property of others caused by any accident or occurrence, with limits of not less than **\$1,000,000** per accident or occurrence on account of personal injury, including death resulting therefrom, and **\$1,000,000** per accident or occurrence on account of damage to the property of others, excluding liability imposed upon the Company by any applicable workers' compensation law; and a blanket excess

liability policy in the amount not less than **\$3,000,000**, protecting the Company against any loss or liability or damage for personal injury or property damage.

5. Additional Provisions Respecting Insurance.

(a) All insurance required by Section 4 hereof shall name the Agency as an additional insured, as its interest may appear. All insurance shall be procured and maintained in financially sound and generally recognized responsible insurance companies selected by the Company and authorized to write such insurance in the State. Such insurance may be written with commercially reasonable deductible amounts as reasonably deemed appropriate by the Company. All policies evidencing such insurance shall provide for (i) payment of the losses of the Company and the Agency as their respective interest may appear, and (ii) at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of the cancellation thereof to the Company and the Agency, except in the event of non-payment, in which at least ten (10) days prior written notice of the cancellation shall be delivered to the Company and the Agency. All insurance requirements in Section 4 may be satisfied by blanket policies subject to the reasonable approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender (if any) in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency. All or some of Section 4 insurance requirements may be satisfied by an Owner Controlled Insurance Program ("OCIP") subject to approval by the Agency; provided, however, that approval or acceptance by a commercial lender in connection with the financing of the Project shall not require approval by the Agency.

(b) All such policies of insurance, or a certificate or certificates of insurance that such insurance is in force and effect, shall be provided to the Agency within no more than five (5) business days of the date hereof. Prior to expiration of any such policy, the Company shall furnish evidence to the Agency that the policy has been renewed or replaced or is no longer required by this Agreement.

6. Job Retention Requirements.

In addition to the payments of rent pursuant to Section 2.6(a) of that certain Lease Agreement dated as of December 1, 2007 and amended by a certain First Amendment to Lease Agreement, dated December 1, 2009 and any other amounts due thereunder, between the Agency and the Company (collectively, the "Lease Agreement"), throughout the term of this Agent Agreement, the Company shall pay to the Agency as follows: (1) on the date that the sales tax exemption letter is delivered, an amount equal to \$250,000 as an initial, one-time payment required to secure the five year agreement between the Agency and the Company authorizing the Company to make purchases exempt from sales tax in connection with its continued operation of the Facility and (2) on or before July 31, 2016 and, on or before of each July 31 thereafter through and including July 31, 2019, an amount equal to two percent (2.00%), *plus*, in the event that the number of FTEs at the Facility is less than 550, the percentages expressed below, of the aggregate sales tax exemptions received by the Company as a result of the Company making purchases at the Facility as agent of the Agency:

<u>Number of FTE Employees</u>	<u>Percentage Increase</u>
550 or more	-0-

500 to 549	0.5%
450 to 499	1.00%
400 to 449	1.50%
350 to 399	2.00%
348 or less	2.125%

For example, if in calendar year 2015, the Company enjoyed \$5,000,000 in sales tax exemptions as a result of purchases made as agent of the Agency and had 505 employees in such year, the aggregate fee payable to the Agency would be \$125,000 (2% multiplied by \$5,000,000 (\$100,000) plus .5% multiplied by \$5,000,000 (\$25,000).

Each such payment to include a certificate signed by an authorized representative of the Company evidencing the aggregate sales tax exemptions enjoyed by the Company and the number of FTE's employed by the Company for such year. The Agency shall have the right to require additional information from the Company evidencing the sales tax benefits and number of FTE's. For purposes of this Agent Agreement, the term "FTE" shall mean any employee that works at least 35-40 hours per week at the Facility. "FTE" includes all Company employees, contractors, vendors and the average daily customer attendees. A part-time employee will count as a fraction of a FTE (an employee working 17.5-20.0 hours per week will count as .5). A seasonal employee will also count as a fraction of a FTE based on the number of full months worked in a year (an employee hired to work only for three months in a year will count as .25).

7. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original but which together shall constitute a single instrument.

8. All notices, claims and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given if personally delivered or mailed first class, postage prepaid, as follows:

To the Agency: Orange County Industrial Development Agency
Orange County Business Accelerator
4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100
New Windsor, New York 12553
Attn.: James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

With a Copy to: Kevin T. Dowd, Esq.
Attorney - Orange County IDA
46 Daisy Lane
Montgomery, New York 12549

And to: Harris Beach PLLC
99 Garnsey Road
Pittsford, New York 14534
Attn.: Russell E. Gaenzle, Esq.

To the Company: International Business Machines Corporation
New Orchard Road
Armonk, New York 10504
Attn: Wayne Spinei, Program Manager

With a Copy to: International Business Machines Corporation
New Orchard Road
Armonk, New York 10504
Attn: Ann McEvily, Esq.

or at such other address as any party may from time to time furnish to the other party by notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section. All notices shall be deemed given when received or delivery of same is refused by the recipient or personally delivered in the manner provided in this Section.

9. This Agreement shall be governed by, and all matters in connection herewith shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State applicable to agreements executed and to be wholly performed therein and the parties hereto hereby agree to submit to the personal jurisdiction of the federal or state courts located in Orange County, New York.

10. By executing this Agreement, the Company covenants and agrees to pay all reasonable fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Agency for (1) legal services, including but not limited to those provided by the Agency's transaction counsel, in such amount as previously invoiced by Agency transaction counsel and (2) other consultants retained by the Agency in connection with the Project; with all such charges to be paid by the Company at the closing, subject to the receipt by the Company of supporting invoices in advance of the closing, or, if the closing does not occur, within ten (10) business days of receipt by the Company of the Agency's invoices therefore. The Company has received an estimate of fees and costs of the Agency's transaction counsel.

The Company further agrees that it is liable for payment to the Agency of all charges referred to above, notwithstanding the occurrence of (i) the Company's withdrawal, abandonment, cancellation or failure to pursue or successfully complete the Project; or (ii) the inability of the Agency or the Company to procure the services of one or more financial institutions to provide financing for the Project.

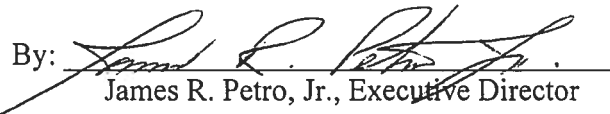
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agent Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Dated: April 28, 2015

**ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: 
James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

Dated: April __, 2015

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES
CORPORATION**

By: _____

[Signature Page to Agent Agreement]

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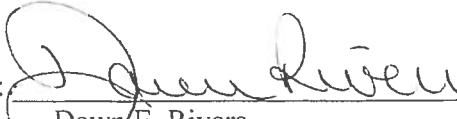
Dated: April __, 2015

**ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: _____
James R. Petro, Jr., Executive Director

Dated: April 28, 2015

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES
CORPORATION**

By:  _____
Dawn E. Rivers
IBM Regional Tax Manager

SCHEDULE A

LIST OF APPOINTED AGENTS¹

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

¹ FOR EACH AGENT APPOINTED BY THE COMPANY, A NYS FORM ST-60 MUST BE COMPLETED AND FILED BY THE COMPANY WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE IDA UNIT INDICATING THE APPOINTMENT OF SUCH AGENT OF THE COMPANY.

EXHIBIT A

**FORM OF NYS FORM ST-60 TO BE COMPLETED BY COMPANY AND FILED WITH
NYS IDA UNIT FOR EACH OF ITS SUBAGENTS**

[See Attached]

IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent For Sales Tax Purposes

ST-60
(4/13)

The industrial development agency or authority (IDA) must submit this form within 30 days of the appointment of a project operator or agent, whether appointed directly by the IDA or indirectly by the operator or another agent.

For IDA use only

Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency		IDA project number (use OSC numbering system for projects after 1998) 3305-15-06A	
Street address Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100		Telephone number (845) 234-4192	
City New Windsor		State NY	ZIP code 12553
Name of IDA project operator or agent	Mark an X in the box if directly appointed by the IDA: <input type="checkbox"/>	Employer identification or social security number	
Street address	Telephone number ()	Primary operator or agent? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
City	State	ZIP code	
Name of project International Business Machines Corporation Project		Purpose of project (see instructions) services	
Street address of project site 299 Long Meadow Road			
City Warwick (Town)		State NY	ZIP code 10990
Description of goods and services intended to be exempted from New York State and local sales and use taxes Materials, equipment, services and other tangible personal property used in connection with the renovation of existing building and the upgrading of various machinery therein			
located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York.			
Date project operator or agent appointed (mm/dd/yy)	Date project operator or agent status ends (mm/dd/yy)	Mark an X in the box if this is an extension to an original project: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Estimated value of goods and services that will be exempt from New York State and local sales and use tax: \$50,000,000 (All Agents, All In)	Estimated value of New York State and local sales and use tax exemption provided: \$4,062,500 (All Agents, All In)		
Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements with the knowledge that willfully providing false or fraudulent information with this document may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and possible jail sentence. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of any information entered on this document.			
Print name of officer or employee signing on behalf of the IDA James R. Petro, Jr.		Print title Executive Director	
Signature 		Date	Telephone number (845) 234-4192

Instructions

Filing requirements

An IDA must file this form within 30 days of the date the IDA appoints any project operator or other person as agent of the IDA, for purposes of extending any sales and compensating use tax exemptions.

The IDA must file a separate form for each person it appoints as agent, whether directly or indirectly, and regardless of whether the person is the primary project operator or agent. If the IDA authorizes a project operator or agent to appoint other persons as agent of the IDA, the operator or agent making such an appointment must advise the IDA that it has done so, so that the IDA can file a form within 30 days of the date of the new agent's appointment. The IDA should not file this form for a person hired to work on an IDA project if that person is not appointed as agent of the IDA. The IDA need not file this form if the IDA does not extend any sales or use tax exemption benefits for the project.

If an IDA modifies a project, such as by extending it beyond its original completion date, or by increasing or decreasing the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized for the project, the IDA must, within 30 days of the change, file a new form with the new information.

If an IDA amends, revokes, or cancels the appointment of an agent, or if an agent's appointment becomes invalid for any reason, the IDA must, within 30 days, send a letter to the address below for filing this form, indicating that the appointment has been amended, revoked, or cancelled, or is no longer valid, and the effective date of the change. It should attach to the letter a copy of the form it originally filed. The IDA need not send a letter for a form that is not valid merely because the "Completion date of project" has passed.

Purpose of project

For *Purpose of project*, enter one of the following:

- Services
 - Agriculture, forestry, fishing
 - Finance, insurance, real estate
 - Transportation, communication,
electric, gas, sanitary services
- Construction
 - Wholesale trade
 - Retail trade
 - Manufacturing
 - Other (specify)

Mailing instructions

Mail completed form to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT
IDA UNIT
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS
ALBANY NY 12227

Privacy notification

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EXHIBIT B

**FORM OF NYS FORM ST-340 TO BE COMPLETED
BY INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION**

[Attached Next Page]



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

**Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions
Claimed by Agent/Project Operator of
Industrial Development Agency/Authority (IDA)****ST-340**
(3/11)

For Period Ending December 31, _____ (enter year)

Project information

Name of IDA agent/project operator International Business Machines Corporation	Federal employer identification number (FEIN) 13-0871985	
Street address New Orchard Road	Telephone number (914) 765-5190	
City Armonk	State New York	ZIP code 10504
Name of IDA agent/project operator's authorized representative, if any	Title	
Street address	Telephone number ()	
City	State	ZIP code

Name of IDA
Orange County Industrial Development AgencyName of project
International Business Machines Corporation ProjectStreet address of project site
299 Long Meadow Road

City Warwick (Town)	State NY	ZIP code 10990
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- 1 Project purpose (mark an X in the appropriate box):
- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, forestry, fishing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale trade | <input type="checkbox"/> Retail trade | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance, insurance or real estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation, communication, electric, gas, or sanitary services | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | |

2 Date project began (mm/dd/yy): 04 / 28 / 2015

3 Beginning date of construction or installation (mm/dd/yy; see instructions): ____ / ____ / ____ ; ☐ actual ☐ expected4 Completion date of construction phase of project (mm/dd/yy; see instructions): ____ / ____ / ____ ; ☐ actual ☐ expected5 Completion date of project (mm/dd/yy; see instructions): ____ / ____ / ____ ; ☐ actual ☐ expected

6 Duration of project (actual or expected; years/months): ____ / ____

7 Total sales and use tax exemptions (actual tax savings; NOT total purchases) 7 \$

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Print name of officer, employee, or authorized representative signing for the IDA agent/project operator Title of person signing

Signature

Date

Failure to annually file a complete report may result in the removal of authority to act as an IDA agent/project operator.

Mail completed report to: NYS Tax Department, IDA Unit, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227.

Instructions

General information

Who must file?

The General Municipal Law (GML) and the Public Authorities Law require the agent/project operator (also known as the *project occupant*) of an Industrial Development Agency or Authority (IDA) to file an annual report with the Tax Department. The agent/project operator required to file this report is the person directly appointed by the IDA to act for and to represent the IDA for the project. The agent/project operator is ordinarily the one for whom the IDA project was created.

There is usually only one agent/project operator directly appointed by the IDA for an IDA project. However, if the IDA directly appoints multiple agents/project operators, each agent/project operator must file this form (unless they are related corporations).

Only the agent/project operator(s) directly appointed by the IDA must file Form ST-340. Contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or agents appointed by the agent/project operator(s) should not themselves file Form ST-340. However, the agent/project operator(s) must include on Form ST-340 information obtained from such contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and agents, as described below.

What must be reported?

The report must show the **total value of all state and local sales and use taxes exempted** during the calendar year, as a result of the project's designation as an IDA project. This includes:

- the value of the exemptions obtained by the agent/project operator; and
- the value of the exemptions obtained by your contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and others, whether or not appointed as agents of the IDA.

The report requires only the **total combined** exemptions obtained by the above people. A break down of the total is not required. However, since the report must include the value of the exemptions they obtained, the agent/project operator must keep records of the amounts others report to the agent/project operator.

It is important that the agent/project operator make it clear to the contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and others that they must keep accurate tax information and have it available so that the agent/project operator can comply with the annual reporting requirements.

Do not include in this report the amount of any sales and use tax exemptions arising out of other provisions of the Tax Law (for example, manufacturer's production equipment exemption, research and development exemption, or contractor's exemption for tangible personal property incorporated into a project of an exempt organization).

See instructions below for additional information required.

When is the report due?

You must file Form ST-340 on a calendar-year basis. It is due by the last day of February of the following year. The reporting requirement applies to IDA projects started on or after July 21, 1993.

Project information

At the top of the form, identify the reporting period by entering the year in the space provided. If an address is required, always include the ZIP code.

Name of IDA agent/project operator

Enter the name, address, federal employer identification number (FEIN), and telephone number of the IDA agent/project operator.

Name of IDA agent/project operator's authorized representative

Enter the name, address, title (for example, attorney or accountant), and telephone number of the individual authorized by the IDA agent/project operator to submit this report.

Name of IDA

Enter the name and address of the IDA. If more than one IDA is involved in a particular project, the IDA agent/project operator must file a separate report for the tax exemptions attributable to each IDA.

Name of project

Enter the name of the project and the address of the project site. If the IDA agent is involved in more than one project, a separate report must be filed by the IDA agent/project operator for each project, even if authorized by the same IDA.

Line instructions

Line 1 — Project purpose — Mark an **X** in the box that identifies the purpose of the project. If you mark *Other*, please be specific in identifying its purpose.

Line 2 — Enter the date the project started (this means the earliest of the date of any bond or Inducement resolution, the execution of any lease, or any bond issuance). Include month, day, and year.

Line 3 — Enter the date you, or your general contractor or subcontractor, actually began, or expect to begin, construction or installation on the project. Mark an **X** in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected. If the project does not involve any construction, enter **Does not apply**.

Line 4 — Enter the date the construction phase of the project was completed or is expected to be completed. Mark an **X** in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected.

Line 5 — Enter the date installation, lease, or rental of property (for example, machinery or computers) on the project ended or the date the project is expected to be completed. Mark an **X** in the appropriate box to indicate if the date entered is actual or expected.

Line 6 — Enter the total number of years and months from the project's inception to its completion or expected completion.

Line 7 — Enter the total amount of New York State and local sales and use taxes exempted during the reporting period (if none, enter **0**) as a result of the project's receipt of IDA financial assistance. This includes exemptions obtained at the time of purchase as well as through a refund or credit of tax paid. Include the sales and use taxes exempted on purchases of property or services incorporated into or used on the exempt project. This includes the taxes exempted on purchases made by or on behalf of the agent/project operator, the general contractor for the project, and any subcontractors, consultants, or others. Do not enter total purchases on line 7.

Signature area

Enter the name and title of the person signing on behalf of the IDA agent/project operator (for example, the IDA agent/project operator's officer, employee, or other authorized representative). The IDA agent/project operator's officer, employee, or authorized representative must sign the report. Enter the date signed.

Mail completed report to: NYS Tax Department, IDA Unit, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227.

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EXHIBIT C-1

**NYS FORM ST-123
FOR
COMPANY**

[See Attached]



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance
New York State Sales and Use Tax

IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate

Effective for projects beginning on or after June 1, 2014

ST-123
(2/14)

This certificate is not valid unless all entries have been completed.

Note: To be completed by the purchaser and given to the seller. See TSB-M-14(1.1)S, *Sales Tax Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Industrial Development Agencies and Authorities*, for more information.

Name of seller	Name of agent or project operator International Business Machines Corporation		
Street address	Street address New Orchard Road		
City, town, or village	State	ZIP code	
Armonk	NY	10504	
Agent or project operator sales tax ID number (see instructions) N/A			

Mark an **X** in one: ☐ Single-purchase certificate ☐ Blanket-purchase certificate (valid only for the project listed below)

To the seller:

You must identify the project on each bill and invoice for such purchases and indicate on the bill or invoice that the IDA or agent or project operator of the IDA was the purchaser.

Project information

I certify that I am a duly appointed agent or project operator of the named IDA and that I am purchasing the tangible personal property or services for use in the following IDA project and that such purchases qualify as exempt from sales and use taxes under my agreement with the IDA.

Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency		
Name of project International Business Machines Corporation Project	IDA project number (use OSC number) 3305-15-06A	
Street address of project site 299 Long Meadow Road		
City, town, or village Warwick (Town)	State NY	ZIP code 10990
Enter the date that you were appointed agent or project operator (mm/dd/yy) 04 / 28 /2015	Enter the date that agent or project operator status ends (mm/dd/yy) 12 / 31 /2020	

Exempt purchases

(Mark an **X** in boxes that apply)

- ☐ A. Tangible personal property or services (other than utility services and motor vehicles or tangible personal property installed in a qualifying motor vehicle) used to complete the project, but not to operate the completed project
- ☐ B. Certain utility services (gas, propane in containers of 100 pounds or more, electricity, refrigeration, or steam) used to complete the project, but not to operate the completed project
- N/A ☒ C. Motor vehicle or tangible personal property installed in a qualifying motor vehicle

Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements and issue this exemption certificate with the knowledge that this document provides evidence that state and local sales or use taxes do not apply to a transaction or transactions for which I tendered this document and that willfully issuing this document with the intent to evade any such tax may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence. I understand that this document is required to be filed with, and delivered to, the vendor as agent for the Tax Department for the purposes of Tax Law section 1838 and is deemed a document required to be filed with the Tax Department for the purpose of prosecution of offenses. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of tax exclusions or exemptions claimed and the accuracy of any information entered on this document.

Signature of purchaser or purchaser's representative (include title and relationship)	Date
Type or print the name, title, and relationship that appear in the signature box	

Instructions

To the purchaser

You may use Form ST-123 if you:

- have been appointed as an agent or project operator by an industrial development agency (IDA) and
- the purchases qualify for exemption from sales and use tax as described in the IDA contract.

You may use Form ST-123 as a single-purchase certificate or as a blanket certificate covering the first and subsequent purchases qualifying for the project listed.

Agent or project operator sales tax ID number — If you are registered with the Tax Department for sales tax purposes, you must enter your sales tax identification number on this certificate. If you are not required to be registered, enter *N/A*.

Industrial development agencies and authorities (IDAs) are public benefit corporations under General Municipal Law Article 18-A and the Public Authorities Law, for the purpose of promoting, developing, encouraging, and assisting in the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, equipping, and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research, and recreational facilities in New York State.

IDAs are exempt from the payment of sales and use tax on their purchases, in accordance with Tax Law section 1116(a)(1). However, IDAs do not normally make direct purchases for projects. Commonly, IDAs instead appoint a business enterprise or developer, contractor, or subcontractor as its agent or project operator. Such purchases made by the agent or project operator, acting within the authority granted by the IDA, are deemed to be made by the IDA and therefore exempt from tax.

Example 1: IDA agreement with its agent or project operator states that contractor X may make all purchases of materials and equipment necessary for completion of the project, as agent for the IDA. Contractor X rents a backhoe and a bulldozer for site preparation, purchases concrete and lumber to construct a building, and purchases machinery to be installed in the building. All these purchases by contractor X as agent of the IDA are exempt from tax.

Example 2: IDA agreement with its agent or project operator states that contractor X may make all purchases of materials and equipment to be incorporated into the project, as agent for the IDA. Contractor X makes the same purchases as in Example 1. Since the concrete, lumber, and machinery will actually be incorporated into the project, contractor X may purchase these items exempt from tax. However, rental of the backhoe and bulldozer is not exempt since these transactions are normally taxable and the IDA agreement does not authorize contractor X to make such rentals as agent of the IDA.

A contractor or subcontractor not appointed as agent or project operator of an IDA must present suppliers with Form ST-120.1, *Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate*, when making purchases that are ordinarily exempt from tax in accordance with Tax Law sections 1115(a)(15) and 1115(a)(16). For more information, see Form ST-120.1.

Exempt purchases

To qualify, the purchases must be made within the authority granted by the IDA and used to complete the project (not to operate the completed project).

- Mark box A to indicate you are purchasing tangible personal property and services (other than utility services and motor vehicles or tangible personal property installed in a qualifying motor vehicle) exempt from tax.
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Misuse of this certificate

Misuse of this exemption certificate may subject you to serious civil and criminal sanctions in addition to the payment of any tax and interest due. These include:

- A penalty equal to 100% of the tax due;
- A \$50 penalty for each fraudulent exemption certificate issued;
- Criminal felony prosecution, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence; and
- Revocation of your *Certificate of Authority*, if you are required to be registered as a vendor. See TSB-M-09(17)S, *Amendments that Encourage Compliance with the Tax Law and Enhance the Tax Department's Enforcement Ability*, for more information.

To the seller

When making purchases as agent or project operator of an IDA, the purchaser must provide you with this exemption certificate with all entries completed to establish the right to the exemption. You must identify the project on each bill and invoice for such purchases and indicate on the bill or invoice that the IDA or agent or project operator of the IDA was the purchaser.

As a New York State registered vendor, you may accept an exemption certificate in lieu of collecting tax and be protected from liability for the tax if the certificate is valid. The certificate will be considered valid if it is:

- accepted in good faith;
- in your possession within 90 days of the transaction; and
- properly completed (all required entries were made).

An exemption certificate is accepted in good faith when you have no knowledge that the exemption certificate is false or is fraudulently given, and you exercise reasonable ordinary due care. If you do not receive a properly completed certificate within 90 days after the delivery of the property or service, you will share with the purchaser the burden of proving the sale was exempt.

You must also maintain a method of associating an invoice (or other source document) for an exempt sale with the exemption certificate you have on file from the purchaser. You must keep this certificate at least three years after the due date of your sales tax return to which it relates, or the date the return was filed, if later.

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EXHIBIT C-2

**NYS FORM ST-123
FOR
SUBAGENTS OF COMPANY**

[See Attached]



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance
New York State Sales and Use Tax

ST-123
(2/14)

IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate

Effective for projects beginning on or after June 1, 2014

This certificate is not valid unless all entries have been completed.

Note: To be completed by the purchaser and given to the seller. See TSB-M-14(1.1)S, *Sales Tax Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Industrial Development Agencies and Authorities*, for more information.

Name of seller	Name of agent or project operator
Street address	Street address
City, town, or village State ZIP code	City, town, or village State ZIP code
Agent or project operator sales tax ID number (<i>see instructions</i>) N/A	

Mark an **X** in one: ☐ Single-purchase certificate ☐ Blanket-purchase certificate (valid only for the project listed below)

To the seller:

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Project information

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Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency		
Name of project International Business Machines Corporation Project	IDA project number (<i>use OSC number</i>) 3305-15-06A	
Street address of project site 299 Long Meadow Road		
City, town, or village Warwick (Town)	State NY	ZIP code 10990
Enter the date that you were appointed agent or project operator (<i>mm/dd/yy</i>)	/	/
Enter the date that agent or project operator status ends (<i>mm/dd/yy</i>)		12 / 31 / 2020

Exempt purchases

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Signature of purchaser or purchaser's representative (<i>include title and relationship</i>)	Date
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Instructions

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- properly completed (all required entries were made).

An exemption certificate is accepted in good faith when you have no knowledge that the exemption certificate is false or is fraudulently given, and you exercise reasonable ordinary due care. If you do not receive a properly completed certificate within 90 days after the delivery of the property or service, you will share with the purchaser the burden of proving the sale was exempt.

You must also maintain a method of associating an invoice (or other source document) for an exempt sale with the exemption certificate you have on file from the purchaser. You must keep this certificate at least three years after the due date of your sales tax return to which it relates, or the date the return was filed, if later.

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This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

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April 28, 2015

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL:
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

NYS Tax Department, IDA Unit
Building 8, Room 657
W. A. Harriman Campus
Albany, New York 12227

Re: Orange County Industrial Development Agency
Form ST-60 – Appointment of Project Agent

Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency, I have enclosed for filing a NYS Form ST-60 – IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent for:

International Business Machines Corporation

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Lori A. Palmer
Paralegal

Enclosures

cc.: James R. Petro, Jr. (OCIDA)
Wayne Spinei



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

**IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent
For Sales Tax Purposes****ST-60**

(4/13)

The Industrial development agency or authority (IDA) must submit this form within 30 days of the appointment of a project operator or agent, whether appointed directly by the IDA or indirectly by the operator or another agent.

For IDA use only

Name of IDA Orange County Industrial Development Agency		IDA project number (use OSC numbering system for projects after 1998) 3305-15-06A	
Street address Orange County Business Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100		Telephone number (845) 234-4192	
City New Windsor		State NY	ZIP code 12553
Name of IDA project operator or agent International Business Machines Corporation		Mark an X in the box if directly appointed by the IDA: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Employer identification or social security number 13-0871985	
Street address New Orchard Road		Telephone number (914) 765-5190	Primary operator or agent? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
City Armonk		State NY	ZIP code 10504
Name of project International Business Machines Corporation Project		Purpose of project (see instructions) services	
Street address of project site 299 Long Meadow Road			
City Warwick (Town)		State NY	ZIP code 10990
Description of goods and services intended to be exempted from New York State and local sales and use taxes Materials, equipment, services and other tangible personal property used in connection with the renovation of existing building and the upgrading of various machinery therein located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, New York.			
Date project operator or agent appointed (mm/dd/yy) 04/28/15		Date project operator or agent status ends (mm/dd/yy) 12/31/20	Mark an X in the box if this is an extension to an original project: <input type="checkbox"/>
Estimated value of goods and services that will be exempt from New York State and local sales and use tax: \$50,000,000 (All Agents, All In)		Estimated value of New York State and local sales and use tax exemption provided: \$4,062,500 (All Agents, All In)	
Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements with the knowledge that willfully providing false or fraudulent information with this document may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and possible jail sentence. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of any information entered on this document.			
Print name of officer or employee signing on behalf of the IDA James R. Petro, Jr.		Print title Executive Director	
Signature 		Date 04/28/2015	Telephone number (845) 234-4192

Instructions**Filing requirements**

An IDA must file this form within 30 days of the date the IDA appoints any project operator or other person as agent of the IDA, for purposes of extending any sales and compensating use tax exemptions.

The IDA must file a separate form for each person it appoints as agent, whether directly or indirectly, and regardless of whether the person is the primary project operator or agent. If the IDA authorizes a project operator or agent to appoint other persons as agent of the IDA, the operator or agent making such an appointment must advise the IDA that it has done so, so that the IDA can file a form within 30 days of the date of the new agent's appointment. The IDA should not file this form for a person hired to work on an IDA project if that person is not appointed as agent of the IDA. The IDA need not file this form if the IDA does not extend any sales or use tax exemption benefits for the project.

If an IDA modifies a project, such as by extending it beyond its original completion date, or by increasing or decreasing the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized for the project, the IDA must, within 30 days of the change, file a new form with the new information.

If an IDA amends, revokes, or cancels the appointment of an agent, or if an agent's appointment becomes invalid for any reason, the IDA must, within 30 days, send a letter to the address below for filing this form, indicating that the appointment has been amended, revoked, or cancelled, or is no longer valid, and the effective date of the change. It should attach to the letter a copy of the form it originally filed. The IDA need not send a letter for a form that is not valid merely because the "Completion date of project" has passed.

Purpose of project

For Purpose of project, enter one of the following:

- | | |
|---|-------------------|
| - Services | - Construction |
| - Agriculture, forestry, fishing | - Wholesale trade |
| - Finance, insurance, real estate | - Retail trade |
| - Transportation, communication, electric, gas, sanitary services | - Manufacturing |
| | - Other (specify) |

Mailing Instructions

Mail completed form to:

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IDA UNIT
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New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

New York State and Local Sales and Use Tax

Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate

ST-120.1
(12/12)

To be used **only** by contractors who are registered with the Tax Department for sales tax purposes.

To vendors:

You must collect tax on any sale of taxable property or services unless the contractor gives you a properly completed exempt purchase certificate not later than 90 days after the property is sold or service is rendered. In addition, you must keep the certificate for at least three years, as explained in the instructions.

This form cannot be used to purchase motor fuel or diesel motor fuel exempt from tax.

To contractors and vendors: read the instructions on pages 3 and 4 carefully before completing or accepting this certificate.

Name of seller	Name of purchasing contractor
Street address	Street address
City State ZIP code	City State ZIP code

1. I have been issued a New York State *Certificate of Authority*, _____, to collect
(enter your sales tax identification number)
New York State and local sales and use tax, and that certificate has not expired or been suspended or revoked.
2. The tangible personal property or service being purchased will be used on the following project:
renovation and upgrading of existing buildings including, but not limited to, expansion of building systems and raised floor areas,
increase in generator plant capacity, HVAC replacement, UPS systems and energy management upgrades.

located at 299 Long Meadow Road in the Town of Warwick, Orange County, NY 10990

for and with International Business Machines Corporation

pursuant to prime contract dated _____.

3. These purchases are exempt from sales and use tax because:
(Mark an X in the appropriate box; for further explanation, see items A through N in the instructions on pages 3 and 4.)

- ☒ **A.** The tangible personal property will be used in the above project to create a building or structure or to improve real property or to maintain, service, or repair a building, structure, or real property, owned by an organization exempt under Tax Law section 1116(a). (For example, New York State government entities, United States governmental entities, United Nations and any international organization of which the United States is a member, certain posts or organizations of past or present members of the armed forces, and certain nonprofit organizations and Indian nations or tribes that have received New York State sales tax exempt organization status.) The tangible personal property will become an integral component part of such building, structure, or real property.
- ☐ **B.** The tangible personal property is production machinery and equipment, and it will be incorporated into real property.
- ☐ **C.** The tangible personal property will be used:
- in an Internet data center when the property is to be incorporated as part of a capital improvement; or
 - directly and predominantly in connection with telecommunications services for sale or Internet access services for sale; or
 - directly and predominantly by a television or radio broadcaster in connection with producing or transmitting live or recorded programs.
- ☐ **D.** The tangible personal property, including production machinery and equipment, is for installation in the above project and will remain tangible personal property after installation.
- ☐ **E.** The tangible personal property will be used predominantly either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both.

Note: This certificate is not valid unless the purchaser completes the certification on page 2.

- ☐ F. The machinery or equipment will be used directly and predominantly to control, prevent, or abate pollution or contaminants from manufacturing or industrial facilities.
- ☐ G. The tangible personal property is residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment. (**Note:** Item G purchases are exempt from the 4% New York State tax rate and from the $\frac{3}{8}$ % MCTD rate. Item G purchases may be exempt from local taxes. See instructions.)
- ☐ H. The tangible personal property will be used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, *Tangible Personal Property Purchased for Leased Commercial Office Space in Lower Manhattan*, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located, and where such property is purchased during the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease and delivered to the leased premises no later than 90 days after the end of that first year.
- ☐ I. The tangible personal property is machinery or equipment used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at a qualified marine terminal facility in New York City. This exemption does **not** apply to the local tax in New York City.
- ☐ J. The services are for the project described in line 2 on page 1 and will be resold. (This includes trash removal services in connection with repair services to real property.)
- ☐ K. The services are to install, maintain, service, or repair tangible personal property used in an Internet data center, for telecommunication or Internet access services, or for radio or television broadcast production or transmission.
- ☐ L. The services are to install, maintain, service, or repair tangible personal property that will be used predominantly either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both.
- ☐ M. The services are to install residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment.
- ☐ N. The services are to install tangible personal property purchased during the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease and delivered to the leased premises no later than 90 days after the end of that first year, that will be used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S.

Caution: Contractors may **not** use this certificate to purchase services tax exempt unless the services are resold to customers in connection with a project. Construction equipment, tools, and supplies purchased or rented for use in completing a project but that do not become part of the finished project may not be purchased exempt from tax through the use of this certificate.

Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements and issue this exemption certificate with the knowledge that this document provides evidence that state and local sales or use taxes do not apply to a transaction or transactions for which I tendered this document and that willfully issuing this document with the intent to evade any such tax may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence. I understand that this document is required to be filed with, and delivered to, the vendor as agent for the Tax Department for the purposes of Tax Law section 1838 and is deemed a document required to be filed with the Tax Department for the purpose of prosecution of offenses. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of tax exclusions or exemptions claimed and the accuracy of any information entered on this document.

Type or print name and title of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchasing contractor	
Signature of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchasing contractor	Date prepared

Substantial penalties will result from misuse of this certificate.

Instructions

Only a contractor who has a valid *Certificate of Authority* issued by the Tax Department may use this exempt purchase certificate. The contractor must present a properly completed certificate to the vendor to purchase tangible personal property, or to a subcontractor to purchase services tax exempt. This certificate is not valid unless all entries have been completed.

The contractor may use this certificate to claim an exemption from sales or use tax on tangible personal property or services that will be used in the manner specified in items A through N below. The contractor may not use this certificate to purchase tangible personal property or services tax exempt on the basis that Form ST-124, *Certificate of Capital Improvement*, has been furnished by the project owner to the contractor.

The contractor must use a separate Form ST-120.1, *Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate*, for each project.

Purchase orders showing an exemption from the sales or use tax based on this certificate must contain the address of the project where the property will be used, as well as the name and address of the project owners (see page 1 of this form). Invoices and sales or delivery slips must also contain this information (name and address of the project for which the exempt purchases will be used or where the exempt services will be rendered, as shown on page 1 of this form).

Use of the certificate

This certificate may be used by a contractor to claim exemption from tax only on purchases of **tangible personal property** that is (**Note:** Unless otherwise stated, the customer must furnish the contractor a properly completed Form ST-121, *Exempt Use Certificate*.):

- A. Incorporated into real property under the terms of a contract entered into with an exempt organization that has furnished the contractor with a copy of Form ST-119.1, *Exempt Organization Exempt Purchase Certificate*, governmental purchase order, or voucher.
- B. Incorporated into real property and is production machinery or equipment.
- C. Used in one of the following situations:
 - Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property related to providing Web site services for sale to be installed in an Internet data center when the property is to be incorporated as part of a capital improvement. The customer must furnish the contractor a completed Form ST-121.5, *Exempt Use Certificate for Operators of Internet Data Centers (Web Hosting)*.
 - Used directly and predominantly in the receiving, initiating, amplifying, processing, transmitting, re-transmitting, switching, or monitoring of switching of telecommunications services for sale, or Internet access service for sale.
 - Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property (including parts, tools, and supplies) used by a television or radio broadcaster directly and predominantly in the production and post-production of live or recorded programs used by a broadcaster predominantly for broadcasting by the broadcaster either over-the-air or for transmission through a cable television or direct broadcast satellite system. (Examples of exempt machinery and equipment include cameras, lights, sets, costumes, and sound equipment.) This exemption also includes machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property used by a broadcaster directly and predominantly to transmit live or recorded programs.
- D. Installed or placed in the project in such a way that it remains tangible personal property after installation. No exemption certificate is required from the customer. However, the contractor must collect tax from its customer when selling such tangible personal property or related services to the customer, unless the customer gives the contractor an appropriate and properly completed exemption certificate.
- E. Used predominantly (more than 50%) either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both, for which the customer has provided the contractor a completed Form ST-125, *Farmer's and Commercial Horse Boarding Operator's Exemption Certificate*. The exemption is allowed on tangible personal property whether or not the property is incorporated into a building or structure.
- F. Machinery or equipment used directly and predominantly to control, prevent, or abate pollution or contaminants from manufacturing or industrial facilities.
- G. Residential and, beginning January 1, 2013, commercial solar energy systems equipment. *Residential solar energy systems equipment* means an arrangement or combination of components installed in a residence that utilizes solar radiation to produce energy designed to provide heating, cooling, hot water, and/or electricity. *Commercial solar energy systems equipment* means an arrangement or combination of components installed upon nonresidential premises that utilize solar radiation to produce energy designed to provide heating, cooling, hot water, or electricity. The exemption is allowed on the 4% New York State tax rate and where applicable, the 3/8% MCTD rate. The exemption does not apply to local taxes unless the locality specifically enacts the exemption. The customer must furnish the contractor a completed Form ST-121 by completing the box marked *Other (U.)*. For the definition of *residence* and for an exception relating to recreational equipment used for storage, as well as for other pertinent information, see TSB-M-05(11)S, *Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Residential Solar Energy Systems Equipment*. For the definition of *nonresidential premises*, as well as other pertinent information, see TSB-M-12(14)S, *Sales and Use Tax Exemption for the Sales and Installation of Commercial Solar Energy Systems Equipment*.
- H. Delivered and used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, *Tangible Personal Property Purchased for Leased Commercial Office Space in Lower Manhattan*, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located, and where such property is purchased within the first year of the qualifying tenant's lease.
- I. Machinery and equipment used at qualified marine terminal facilities located in New York City. The machinery and equipment must be used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at marine terminal facilities located in New York City that handled more than 350,000 twenty foot equivalent units (TEUs) in 2003. For purposes of this exemption, the term *TEU* means a unit of volume equivalent to the volume of a twenty-foot container. This exemption does not apply to the local tax in New York City.

(Examples of exempt machinery and equipment include amplifiers, transmitters, and antennas.)

This certificate may also be used by a contractor to claim exemption from tax on the following **services**:

- J. Installing tangible personal property, including production machinery and equipment, that does not become a part of the real property upon installation.

Repairing real property, when the services are for the project named on page 1 of this form and will be resold.

Trash removal services rendered in connection with repair services to real property, if the trash removal services will be resold.

Note: Purchases of services for resale can occur between prime contractors and subcontractors or between two subcontractors. The retail seller of the services, generally the prime contractor, must charge and collect tax on the contract price, unless the project owner gives the retail seller of the service a properly completed exemption certificate.

- K. Installing, maintaining, servicing, or repairing tangible personal property used for Web hosting, telecommunication or Internet access services, or by a broadcaster (described in item C on page 3).
- L. Installing, maintaining, servicing, or repairing tangible personal property that will be used predominantly either in farm production or in a commercial horse boarding operation, or in both (described in item E on page 3).
- M. Installing qualifying residential or commercial solar energy systems equipment (described in item G on page 3).
- N. Installing tangible personal property delivered to and used directly and exclusively in adding to, altering, or improving a qualifying tenant's leased premises for use as commercial office space in Eligible Area A or B as described in TSB-M-05(12)S, provided that the tangible personal property becomes an integral component part of the building in which the leased premises are located.

To the purchaser

Misuse of this certificate

Misuse of this exemption certificate may subject you to serious civil and criminal sanctions in addition to the payment of any tax and interest due. These include:

- A penalty equal to 100% of the tax due;
- A \$50 penalty for each fraudulent exemption certificate issued;

- Criminal felony prosecution, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence; and
- Revocation of your *Certificate of Authority*, if you are required to be registered as a vendor. See TSB-M-09(17)S, *Amendments that Encourage Compliance with the Tax Law and Enhance the Tax Department's Enforcement Ability*, for more information.

To the seller

Do not accept this Form ST-120.1 unless all entries have been completed. The contractor must give you a properly completed exemption certificate **no later than 90 days after delivery** of the property or service; otherwise, the sale will be deemed to have been taxable at the time the transaction took place. When a certificate is received after the 90-day period, both the seller (vendor) and contractor assume the burden of proving that the sale was exempt, and both may have to provide additional substantiation.

Your failure to collect sales or use tax, as a result of accepting an improperly completed exemption certificate or receiving the certificate more than 90 days after the sale, will make you personally liable for the tax plus any penalty and interest charges due.

You must keep this exemption certificate for at least three years after the due date of the last return to which it relates, or after the date when the return was filed, if later. You must also maintain a method of associating an exempt sale made to a particular customer with the exemption certificate you have on file for that customer.

Caution: You will be subject to additional penalties if you sell tangible personal property or services subject to tax, or purchase or sell tangible personal property for resale, without possessing a valid *Certificate of Authority*. In addition to the criminal penalties imposed under the New York State Tax Law, you will be subject to a penalty of up to \$500 for the first day on which such a sale or purchase is made; plus up to \$200 for each subsequent day on which such a sale or purchase is made, up to the maximum allowed.

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