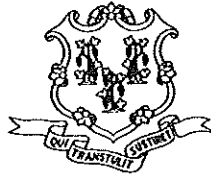


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GENERAL ASSEMBLY



HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106-1591

The Honorable Catherine Smith
Commissioner, DECD
505 Hudson Street
Hartford, CT 06106

February 28, 2012

RE: Municipal Brownfield's Program 2012 – Town of Stratford/Two Roads Brewing Co.

Dear Commissioner Smith,

We write to you today in full support of the Town of Stratford's application to DECD for funding through the 2012 Municipal Brownfield's Grant Program. The application has been submitted in partnership with the Two Roads Brewing Company.

Two Roads Brewing Company is located in Stratford's south end, and is in the process of acquiring the 6.6 acre parcel formerly the US Baird Corporation Facility. This property transfer is anticipated to be finalized before March 16th, 2012. It will be the first property transfer to new ownership since 1968.

The towns grant request of \$574,000 would aid in the remediation of previously unidentified contamination in the main building. Two Roads Brewing company must complete this remediation in order to provide a sanitary brewing environment. This grant, if awarded, would allow the project to move forward according to schedule.

This project is vital to the success of the revitalization of the town of Stratford. Two Roads brewery's unique business model plans to bring 70 jobs to our community. We urge your support for this application, and thank you for your consideration of this request. If there is any assistance we may be able to provide in the grant process, please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss this proposal further.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kevin C. Kelly in black ink.

Kevin C. Kelly
State Senator
21st District

Handwritten signature of Lawrence Miller in black ink.

Lawrence Miller
State Representative
122nd District

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Laura Hoydick
State Representative
120th District

Handwritten signature of Terry Backer in black ink.

Terry Backer
State Representative
121st District