

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law will be held by the Genesee County Industrial Development Agency d/b/a Genesee County Economic Development Center (the "Agency") on the 28th day of August, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. local time, at the Batavia Town Hall, 3833 West Main Street Road, Batavia, New York 14020, in connection with the following matter:

WELLSVILLE CARPET TOWN, INC., for itself or on behalf of an entity to be formed (the "Company"), has requested the Agency's assistance with a certain project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the acquisition (or retention) by the Agency of fee title to or a leasehold interest in an approximately 9-acre unimproved parcel of land located at the intersection of Route 98 and West Saile Drive in Batavia, Genesee County, New York (the "Land), (ii) the construction and equipping on the Land of an approximately 100,000 square-foot assembly warehouse and distribution center for the Company's "Ashley Homestore" furniture assembly operations (the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition in and around the Improvements of certain items of equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment," and collectively with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility").

The Agency will acquire (or retain) title to or a leasehold interest in, the Facility and lease the Facility back to the Company. The Company will operate the Facility during the term of the lease. At the end of the lease term, the Company will purchase the Facility from the Agency, or if the Agency holds a leasehold interest, the leasehold interest will be terminated. The Agency contemplates that it will provide financial assistance to the Company in the form of sales and use tax exemptions and a mortgage recording tax exemption, consistent with the policies of the Agency, and a partial real property tax abatement.

A representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated place and time to present a copy of the Company's project application (including a cost benefit analysis) and hear and accept written and oral comments from all persons with views in favor of or opposed to the proposed financial assistance.

Dated: July 29, 2006

GENESEE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY d/b/a
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