

LOAN COMMITTEE
of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated
Minutes – Regular Meeting
Monday, July 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the **Loan Committee of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated** (the “Loan Committee”) was held on July 28, 2014, at the office of Connecticut Innovations, Inc., 865 Brook Street, Rocky Hill, CT.

1. Call to Order: Richard Mulready, Chairperson of the Loan Committee noting the presence of a quorum, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Loan Committee members present: Richard Mulready; David Siegel (by phone), Jonathan Roth (by phone) and John Olsen (by phone).

Absent: Michael Cantor, Chairperson of CI Board and Catherine Smith, Commissioner of DECD

Staff present: John Beir, Lisa Day, Christine Gemelli, Carolyn Hawkins, Karin Lawrence, Claire Leonardi, Barbara Lesh, Rita Mattingly, James McGuinness, Ted Murphy, Megana Patel, Tony Roberto, Roberta Rossi, Colin Tedeschi, and Glendowlyn Thames

2. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Mulready asked the Loan Committee members to consider the minutes from the July 9, 2014 meeting.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Roth, seconded by Mr. Mulready, the Loan Committee members voted in favor of adopting the minutes of the July 9, 2014 meeting as presented

3. Small Business Innovation Program:

Ms. Thames reviewed the recommendations for funding under the Small Business Innovations Program at which time Collins Pipe & Supply Company and SeeClickFix were withdrawn by staff.

- Approval of a SBI Technology Talent Bridge in an Amount Not to Exceed \$13,000 for the Independent Software, LLC, New Haven, CT

Upon a motion made by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Olsen, the Loan Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the following resolution regarding a SBI Technology Talent Bridge for Independent Software, LLC, New Haven, CT

RESOLVED:

- (1) that Connecticut Innovations, Inc. ("CI") approves a SBI Technology Talent Bridge subject to the terms and conditions recommended by staff;**
- (2) that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of CI such agreements and related documents to cause such exemption to be effected; and (b) contain such terms and conditions as the Signatory shall deem to be in the best interests of CI, the Signatory's approval thereof as hereby authorized to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the agreements; and**
- (3) that the proper officers be and hereby are severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts and execute and deliver any and all other documents as they shall deem necessary and desirable to effectuate the above mentioned agreements.**

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- Approval of a SBI Innovation Challenge in an Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000 for the Smpl Bio, LLC, Tolland, CT

Upon a motion made by Mr. Olsen, seconded by Mr. Roth, the Loan Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the following resolution regarding a SBI Innovation Challenge for Smpl Bio, LLC, Tolland, CT

RESOLVED:

- (1) that Connecticut Innovations, Inc. ("CI") approves a SBI Innovation Challenge subject to the terms and conditions recommended by staff;**
 - (2) that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of CI such agreements and related documents to cause such exemption to be effected; and (b) contain such terms and conditions as the Signatory shall deem to be in the best interests of CI, the Signatory's approval thereof as hereby authorized to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the agreements; and**
 - (3) that the proper officers be and hereby are severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts and execute and deliver any and all other documents as they shall deem necessary and desirable to effectuate the above mentioned agreements.**
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4. Connecticut Works Fund:

- Approval of a Junior Participation Loan in an Amount Not to Exceed \$450,000 for the Benefit of Joining Technologies, East Granby, CT

Mr. Beir discussed the request for a junior participation loan in an amount not to exceed \$450,000 from the Connecticut Works Fund for the benefit of Joining Technologies of East Granby, CT. He provided an overview of the company and reviewed the terms and conditions of the loan.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Olsen, seconded by Mr. Siegel, the Loan Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the following resolution regarding a junior participation loan not to exceed \$450,000 from the Connecticut Works Fund for the benefit of Joining Technologies, East Granby, CT

RESOLVED:

(1) that Connecticut Innovations, Inc. ("CI") approves a junior participation loan from the Connecticut Works Fund, authorized under Section 32-23ii of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, for the purpose of working capital, in an amount not to exceed, FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$450,000) over a period not to exceed 7 years and which will be subject to the terms and conditions recommended by staff;

(2) that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of CI such agreements and related documents to cause such exemption to be effected; and (b) contain such terms and conditions as the Signatory shall deem to be in the best interests of CI, the Signatory's approval thereof as hereby authorized to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the agreements; and

(3) that the proper officers be and hereby are severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts and execute and deliver any and all other documents as they shall deem necessary and desirable to effectuate the above mentioned agreements.

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- Approval of a Junior Participation Loan in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,000,000 for the Benefit of Hy LaBonne and Sons, Inc., Woodbury, CT

Mr. McGuinness discussed the request for a junior participation loan in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the Connecticut Works Fund for the benefit of Hy LaBonne and Sons, Inc., Woodbury, CT. He provided an overview of the company and reviewed the terms and conditions of the loan.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Mulready, seconded by Mr. Siegel, the Loan Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the following resolution regarding a junior participation loan not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the Connecticut Works Fund for the benefit of Hy LaBonne and Sons, Inc., Woodbury, CT

RESOLVED:

(1) that Connecticut Innovations, Inc. ("CI") approves a junior participation loan from the Connecticut Works Fund, authorized under Section 32-23ii of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, for the purpose of working capital, in an amount not to exceed ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) over a period not to exceed 10 years and which will be subject to the terms and conditions recommended by staff;

(2) that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of CI such agreements and related documents to cause such exemption to be effected; and (b) contain such terms and conditions as the Signatory shall deem to be in the best interests of CI, the Signatory's approval thereof as hereby authorized to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the agreements; and

(3) that the proper officers be and hereby are severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts and execute and deliver any and all other documents as they shall deem necessary and desirable to effectuate the above mentioned agreements.

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- Legnos Real Estate, LLC, Groton, CT - withdrawn by staff
 - LBI, Inc., Groton, CT – withdrawn by staff

5. Connecticut Sales & Use Tax Relief Program:

- Modification of Approval of a Sales and Use Tax Exemption in an additional Amount Not to Exceed \$350,000 to Benefit NBC Sports Network LP for its Headquarters and Studio Facility in Stamford, CT

Ms. Lawrence explained the request for a modification of approval of a sales and use tax exemption in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 for the benefit of NBC

Sports Network LP for its headquarters and studio facility in Stamford, CT. She provided an overview of the company and reviewed the terms and conditions.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Roth, the Loan Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the following resolution regarding a modification of approval of a sales and use tax exemption for NBC Sports Network LP in Stamford, CT

RESOLVED:

(1) that Connecticut Innovations, Inc. ("CI") approves a sales and use tax relief, authorized under Section 32-23h of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, for the purpose of expansion, in an amount not to exceed THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) over a period not to exceed 2 years and which will be subject to the terms and conditions recommended by staff;

(2) that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of CI such agreements and related documents to cause such exemption to be effected; and (b) contain such terms and conditions as the Signatory shall deem to be in the best interests of CI, the Signatory's approval thereof as hereby authorized to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the agreements; and

(3) that the proper officers be and hereby are severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts and execute and deliver any and all other documents as they shall deem necessary and desirable to effectuate the above mentioned agreements.

6. Committee Charter:

- **Approval to recommend the Loan Review Committee Charter to the CI Board of Directors**

Ms. Thames discussed the request to present the Loan Review Committee Charter to the CI Board Members.

Upon review, the committee approved the Loan Review Committee Charter with corrections and modifications for presentation to the CI Board Members.

7. **Other Business:**

Mr. Roberto provided the committee with an update for Coltsville Development in Hartford CT

8. **Date of Next Meeting:** August 13, 2014

9. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Mulready
Chairman of the Loan Committee