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- AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to exempting tangible personal property purchased by a tenant for use directly and exclusively to furnish and equip the tenant's leased premises for use as a commercial office space; and to amend part C of chapter 2 of the laws of 2005 amending the tax law relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, in relation to the effectiveness thereof (Part A); to amend the real property tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to extending a real property tax abatement program for certain commercial properties in cities having a population of one million or more and in relation to extending a special reduction under the commercial rent tax in the city of New York (Part B); to amend the real property tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to applications for tax abatements for industrial and commercial construction work on properties in a city of one million or more persons (Part C); to amend the general city law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to extending the relocation and employment assistance program and the Lower Manhattan relocation and employment assistance program (Part D); to amend the general city law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to extending the special rebates and discounts provided pursuant to the energy cost savings program and the Lower Manhattan energy program (Part E); to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the amount of special reduction allowed (Part F); and to amend the real property tax law, in relation to a real estate tax abatement program for certain commercial, industrial and manufacturing properties in a city of one million or more persons (Part G)

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. This act enacts into law major components of legislation 2 relating to lower Manhattan. Each component is wholly contained within 3 a Part identified as Parts A through G. The effective date for each 4 particular provision contained within such Part is set forth in the last 5 section of such Part. Any provision in any section contained within a Part, including the effective date of the Part, which makes a reference 6 to a section "of this act", when used in connection with that particular 7 component, shall be deemed to mean and refer to the corresponding 8 9 section of the Part in which it is found. Section three of this act sets forth the general effective date of this act. 10

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PART A

12 Section 1. Subparagraph (A) of paragraph 7 of subdivision (ee) of 13 section 1115 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 203 of the laws of 14 2009 is amended to read as follows:

15 (A) "Tenant" means a person who, as lessee, enters into a space lease with a landlord for a term of ten years or more commencing on or after 16 September first, two thousand five, but not later than, in the case of a 17 18 space lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as 19 defined in clause (i) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph, September 20 first, two thousand thirteen and, in the case of a space lease with 21 respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in 22 clause (ii) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph not later than September first, two thousand fifteen, of premises for use as commercial 23 24 office space in buildings located or to be located in the eligible 25 areas. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, commencing 26 after September first, two thousand thirteen, "tenant" means a person who, as lessee, enters into a space lease with a landlord for a term of 27 five years or more, but not later than, in the case of a space lease 28 29 with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in 30 clause (i) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph, September first, two 31 thousand fifteen and, in the case of a space lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (ii) of 32 33 subparagraph (D) of this paragraph not later than September first, two thousand seventeen, of premises for use as commercial office space in 34 buildings located or to be located in the eligible areas. 35

36 A person who currently occupies premises for use as commercial office 37 space under an existing lease in a building in the eligible areas shall 38 not be eligible for exemption under this subdivision unless such exist-39 ing lease, in the case of a space lease with respect to leased premises 40 located in eligible areas as defined in clause (i) of subparagraph (D) 41 of this paragraph expires according to its terms before September first, two thousand thirteen or such existing lease, in the case of a space 42 43 lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as 44 defined in clause (ii) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph and such 45 person enters into a space lease, for a term of ten years or more 46 commencing on or after September first, two thousand five, of premises 47 for use as commercial office space in a building located or to be located in the eligible areas, provided that such space lease with 48 respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in 49 50 clause (i) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph commences no later than 51 September first, two thousand thirteen, and provided that such space

1 lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (ii) of subparagraph (D) of this paragraph commences 2 no later than September first, two thousand fifteen and provided, 3 further, that such space lease shall expire no earlier than ten years 4 5 after the expiration of the original lease. Notwithstanding any 6 provision of law to the contrary, after September first, two thousand 7 thirteen, a tenant who currently occupies premises for use as commercial office space under an existing lease in a building in the eligible areas 8 9 shall not be eligible for exemption under this subdivision unless such 10 existing lease, in the case of a space lease with respect to leased 11 premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (i) of subpara-12 graph (D) of this paragraph expires according to its terms before 13 September first, two thousand fifteen or such existing lease, in the 14 case of a space lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (ii) of subparagraph (D) of this para-15 16 graph expires according to its terms before September first, two thou-17 sand seventeen, provided that such space lease with respect to leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (i) of subpara-18 19 graph (D) of this paragraph commences no later than September first, two 20 thousand fifteen, and provided that such space lease with respect to 21 leased premises located in eligible areas as defined in clause (ii) of 22 subparagraph (D) of this paragraph commences no later than September 23 first, two thousand seventeen and provided, further, that such space 24 lease shall expire no earlier than five years after the expiration on 25 the original lease.

§ 2. Section 2 of part C of chapter 2 of the laws of 2005 amending the tax law relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, as amended by chapter 203 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. This act shall take effect September 1, 2005 and shall expire and be deemed repealed on December 1, [2016] 2018, and shall apply to sales made, uses occurring and services rendered on or after such effective date, in accordance with the applicable transitional provisions of sections 1106 and 1217 of the tax law; except that clause (i) of subparagraph (D) of paragraph seven of subdivision (ee) of section 1115 of the tax law, as added by section one of this act, shall expire and be deemed repealed December 1, [2014] 2016.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to subparagraph (A) of paragraph 7 of subdivision (ee) of section 1115 of the tax law made by section one of this act shall not affect the repeal of such subdivision and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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PART B

43 Section 1. Subdivisions 5 and 9 of section 499-a of the real property 44 tax law, as amended by chapter 22 of the laws of 2010, are amended to 45 read as follows:

46 5. "Benefit period." The period commencing with the first day of the 47 month immediately following the rent commencement date and terminating 48 no later than sixty months thereafter, provided, however, that with 49 respect to a lease commencing on or after April first, nineteen hundred 50 ninety-seven with an initial lease term of less than five years, but not less than three years, the period commencing with the first day of the 51 month immediately following the rent commencement date and terminating 52 53 no later than thirty-six months thereafter. Notwithstanding the forego1

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ing sentence, a benefit period shall expire no later than March thirtyfirst, two thousand [twenty] twenty-two. 9. "Eligibility period." The period commencing April first, nineteen hundred ninety-five and terminating March thirty-first, two thousand [fourteen] sixteen. § 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 499-c of the real property tax law, as amended by chapter 22 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows: (a) For purposes of determining whether the amount of expenditures 10 required by subdivision one of this section have been satisfied, expenditures on improvements to the common areas of an eligible building shall be included only if work on such improvements commenced and the expenditures are made on or after April first, nineteen hundred ninety-five and on or before September thirtieth, two thousand [fourteen] sixteen; provided, however, that expenditures on improvements to the common areas of an eligible building made prior to three years before the lease commencement date shall not be included. 3. Subdivision 8 of section 499-d of the real property tax law, as § amended by chapter 22 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows: 8. Leases commencing on or after April first, nineteen hundred nine-22 ty-seven shall be subject to the provisions of this title as amended by chapter six hundred twenty-nine of the laws of nineteen hundred ninety-24 seven, chapter one hundred eighteen of the laws of two thousand one, 25 chapter four hundred forty of the laws of two thousand three, chapter 26 sixty of the laws of two thousand seven [and the], chapter twenty-two of 27 the laws of two thousand ten [that added this phrase] and the chapter of 28 the laws of two thousand thirteen that added this phrase. Notwithstand-

29 ing any other provision of law to the contrary, with respect to leases 30 commencing on or after April first, nineteen hundred ninety-seven, an 31 application for a certificate of abatement shall be considered timely 32 filed if filed within one hundred eighty days following the lease 33 commencement date or within sixty days following the date chapter six 34 hundred twenty-nine of the laws of nineteen hundred ninety-seven became a law, whichever is later. 35

36 § 4. Subparagraph (a) of paragraph 2 of subdivision i of section 37 11-704 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by 38 chapter 22 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

39 (a) An eligible tenant of eligible taxable premises shall be allowed a 40 special reduction in determining the taxable base rent for such eligible 41 taxable premises. Such special reduction shall be allowed with respect to the rent for such eligible taxable premises for a period not exceed-42 ing sixty months or, with respect to a lease commencing on or after 43 44 April first, nineteen hundred ninety-seven with an initial lease term of 45 less than five years, but not less than three years, for a period not 46 exceeding thirty-six months, commencing on the rent commencement date applicable to such eligible taxable premises, provided, however, that in 47 48 no event shall any special reduction be allowed for any period beginning 49 after March thirty-first, two thousand [twenty] twenty-two. For 50 purposes of applying such special reduction, the base rent for the base 51 year shall, where necessary to determine the amount of the special 52 reduction allowable with respect to any number of months falling within a tax period, be prorated by dividing the base rent for the base year by 53 54 twelve and multiplying the result by such number of months. § 5. This act shall take effect immediately. 55

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PART C

2 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 489-dddddd of the 3 real property tax law, as amended by chapter 28 of the laws of 2011, is 4 amended to read as follows:

5 (a) Application for benefits pursuant to this title may be made imme-6 diately following the effective date of a local law enacted pursuant to 7 this title and continuing until March first, two thousand [fifteen] 8 <u>seventeen</u>.

9 § 2. Subdivision 3 of section 489-dddddd of the real property tax 10 law, as added by chapter 28 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as 11 follows:

12 3. (a) No benefits pursuant to this title shall be granted for 13 construction work performed pursuant to a building permit issued after 14 April first, two thousand [fifteen] seventeen.

15 (b) If no building permit was required, then no benefits pursuant to 16 this title shall be granted for construction work that is commenced 17 after April first, two thousand [fifteen] seventeen.

18 § 3. Paragraph 1 of subdivision a of section 11-271 of the adminis-19 trative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 28 of the 20 laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

(1) Application for benefits pursuant to this part may be made imme22 diately following the effective date of the local law that added this
23 section and continuing until March first, two thousand [fifteen] seven24 teen.

25 § 4. Subdivision c of section 11-271 of the administrative code of 26 the city of New York, as added by chapter 28 of the laws of 2011, is 27 amended to read as follows:

c. (1) No benefits pursuant to this part shall be granted for
construction work performed pursuant to a building permit issued after
April first, two thousand [fifteen] seventeen.

(2) If no building permit was required, then no benefits pursuant to
this part shall be granted for construction work that is commenced after
April first, two thousand [fifteen] seventeen.

34 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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PART D

36 Section 1. Subdivision (b) of section 25-z of the general city law, as 37 amended by chapter 131 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as 38 follows:

39 (b) No eligible business shall be authorized to receive a credit under 40 any local law enacted pursuant to this article until the premises with 41 respect to which it is claiming the credit meet the requirements in the 42 definition of eligible premises and until it has obtained a certif-43 ication of eligibility from the mayor of such city or an agency desig-44 nated by such mayor, and an annual certification from such mayor or an 45 agency designated by such mayor as to the number of eligible aggregate 46 employment shares maintained by such eligible business that may qualify 47 for obtaining a tax credit for the eligible business' taxable year. Any 48 written documentation submitted to such mayor or such agency or agencies 49 in order to obtain any such certification shall be deemed a written 50 instrument for purposes of section 175.00 of the penal law. Such local 51 law may provide for application fees to be determined by such mayor or 52 such agency or agencies. No such certification of eligibility shall be 53 issued under any local law enacted pursuant to this article to an eligi6

1 ble business on or after July first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen 2 unless: 3 (1) prior to such date such business has purchased, leased or entered 4 into a contract to purchase or lease particular premises or a parcel on 5 which will be constructed such premises or already owned such premises 6 or parcel; 7 (2) prior to such date improvements have been commenced on such prem-8 ises or parcel, which improvements will meet the requirements of subdi-9 vision (e) of section twenty-five-y of this article relating to expenditures for improvements; 10 11 (3) prior to such date such business submits a preliminary application 12 for a certification of eligibility to such mayor or such agency or agen-13 cies with respect to a proposed relocation to such particular premises; 14 and 15 (4) such business relocates to such particular premises not later than 16 thirty-six months or, in a case in which the expenditures made for the 17 improvements specified in paragraph two of this subdivision are in 18 excess of fifty million dollars within seventy-two months from the date 19 of submission of such preliminary application. 20 § 2. Subdivision (b) of section 25-ee of the general city law, as 21 amended by chapter 131 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as 22 follows: 23 (b) No eligible business or special eligible business shall be author-24 ized to receive a credit against tax under any local law enacted pursu-25 ant to this article until the premises with respect to which it is 26 claiming the credit meet the requirements in the definition of eligible 27 premises and until it has obtained a certification of eligibility from 28 the mayor of such city or any agency designated by such mayor, and an 29 annual certification from such mayor or an agency designated by such 30 mayor as to the number of eligible aggregate employment shares main-31 tained by such eligible business or such special eligible business that 32 may qualify for obtaining a tax credit for the eligible business' taxa-33 ble year. No special eligible business shall be authorized to receive a 34 credit against tax under the provisions of this article unless the number of relocated employee base shares calculated pursuant to subdivi-35 36 sion (o) of section twenty-five-dd of this article is equal to or greater than the lesser of twenty-five percent of the number of New York city 37 38 base shares calculated pursuant to subdivision (p) of such section and 39 two hundred fifty employment shares. Any written documentation submitted 40 to such mayor or such agency or agencies in order to obtain any such 41 certification shall be deemed a written instrument for purposes of 42 section 175.00 of the penal law. Such local law may provide for application fees to be determined by such mayor or such agency or agencies. No 43 44 certification of eligibility shall be issued under any local law enacted 45 pursuant to this article to an eligible business on or after July first, 46 two thousand [thirteen] fifteen unless: (1) prior to such date such business has purchased, leased or entered 47 48 into a contract to purchase or lease premises in the eligible Lower 49 Manhattan area or a parcel on which will be constructed such premises;

50 (2) prior to such date improvements have been commenced on such prem-51 ises or parcel, which improvements will meet the requirements of subdi-52 vision (e) of section twenty-five-dd of this article relating to expend-53 itures for improvements;

54 (3) prior to such date such business submits a preliminary application 55 for a certification of eligibility to such mayor or such agency or agen-56 cies with respect to a proposed relocation to such premises; and 1 (4) such business relocates to such premises as provided in subdivi-2 sion (j) of section twenty-five-dd of this article not later than thir-3 ty-six months or, in a case in which the expenditures made for the 4 improvements specified in paragraph two of this subdivision are in 5 excess of fifty million dollars within seventy-two months from the date 6 of submission of such preliminary application.

§ 3. Subdivision (b) of section 22-622 of the administrative code of
8 the city of New York, as amended by chapter 131 of the laws of 2008, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 (b) No eligible business shall be authorized to receive a credit 11 against tax or a reduction in base rent subject to tax under the 12 provisions of this chapter, and of title eleven of the code as described 13 in subdivision (a) of this section, until the premises with respect to 14 which it is claiming the credit meet the requirements in the definition of eligible premises and until it has obtained a certification of eligi-15 16 bility from the mayor or an agency designated by the mayor, and an annu-17 al certification from the mayor or an agency designated by the mayor as 18 to the number of eligible aggregate employment shares maintained by such 19 eligible business that may qualify for obtaining a tax credit for the 20 eligible business' taxable year. Any written documentation submitted to 21 the mayor or such agency or agencies in order to obtain any such certif-22 ication shall be deemed a written instrument for purposes of section 23 175.00 of the penal law. Application fees for such certifications shall 24 be determined by the mayor or such agency or agencies. No certification 25 of eligibility shall be issued to an eligible business on or after July 26 first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen unless:

(1) prior to such date such business has purchased, leased or entered into a contract to purchase or lease particular premises or a parcel on which will be constructed such premises or already owned such premises or parcel;

(2) prior to such date improvements have been commenced on such premises or parcel which improvements will meet the requirements of subdivision (e) of section 22-621 of this chapter relating to expenditures for improvements;

(3) prior to such date such business submits a preliminary application for a certification of eligibility to such mayor or such agency or agencies with respect to a proposed relocation to such particular premises; and

(4) such business relocates to such particular premises not later than thirty-six months or, in a case in which the expenditures made for improvements specified in paragraph two of this subdivision are in excess of fifty million dollars within seventy-two months from the date of submission of such preliminary application.

§ 4. Subdivision (b) of section 22-624 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 131 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

47 (b) No eligible business or special eligible business shall be author-48 ized to receive a credit against tax under the provisions of this chap-49 ter, and of title eleven of the code as described in subdivision (a) of 50 this section, until the premises with respect to which it is claiming 51 the credit meet the requirements in the definition of eligible premises 52 and until it has obtained a certification of eligibility from the mayor an agency designated by the mayor, and an annual certification from 53 or 54 the mayor or an agency designated by the mayor as to the number of 55 eligible aggregate employment shares maintained by such eligible busi-56 ness or special eligible business that may qualify for obtaining a tax

1 credit for the eligible business' taxable year. No special eligible business shall be authorized to receive a credit against tax under the 2 provisions of this chapter and of title eleven of the code unless the 3 number of relocated employee base shares calculated pursuant to subdivi-4 5 sion (o) of section 22-623 of this chapter is equal to or greater than 6 the lesser of twenty-five percent of the number of New York city base 7 shares calculated pursuant to subdivision (p) of such section 22-623, and two hundred fifty employment shares. Any written documentation 8 9 submitted to the mayor or such agency or agencies in order to obtain any 10 such certification shall be deemed a written instrument for purposes of 11 section 175.00 of the penal law. Application fees for such certif-12 ications shall be determined by the mayor or such agency or agencies. No 13 certification of eligibility shall be issued to an eligible business on or after July first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen unless: 14

(1) prior to such date such business has purchased, leased or entered
into a contract to purchase or lease premises in the eligible Lower
Manhattan area or a parcel on which will be constructed such premises;

(2) prior to such date improvements have been commenced on such premises or parcel, which improvements will meet the requirements of subdivision (e) of section 22-623 of this chapter relating to expenditures for improvements;

(3) prior to such date such business submits a preliminary application for a certification of eligibility to such mayor or such agency or agencies with respect to a proposed relocation to such premises; and

(4) such business relocates to such premises not later than thirty-six months or, in a case in which the expenditures made for the improvements specified in paragraph two of this subdivision are in excess of fifty million dollars within seventy-two months from the date of submission of such preliminary application.

30 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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PART E

32 Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (b) of section 25-s of the 33 general city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is 34 amended to read as follows:

35 (1) non-residential premises that are wholly contained in property 36 that is eligible to obtain benefits under title two-D or two-F of arti-37 cle four of the real property tax law, or would be eligible to receive 38 benefits under such article except that such property is exempt from 39 real property taxation and the requirements of paragraph (b) of subdivi-40 sion seven of section four hundred eighty-nine-dddd of such title two-D, 41 or the requirements of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 42 five of section four hundred eighty-nine-cccccc of such title two-F, whichever is applicable, have not been satisfied, provided that applica-43 44 tion for such benefits was made after May third, nineteen hundred eight-45 y-five and prior to July first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, that 46 construction or renovation of such premises was described in such appli-47 cation, that such premises have been substantially improved by such 48 construction or renovation so described, that the minimum required 49 expenditure as defined in such title two-D or two-F, whichever is appli-50 cable, has been made, and that such real property is located in an 51 eligible area; or

52 § 2. Paragraph 3 of subdivision (b) of section 25-s of the general 53 city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to 54 read as follows:

1 (3) non-residential premises that are wholly contained in real proper-2 ty that has obtained approval after October thirty-first, two thousand and prior to July first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen for financing 3 4 by an industrial development agency established pursuant to article 5 eighteen-A of the general municipal law, provided that such financing 6 has been used in whole or in part to substantially improve such premises 7 (by construction or renovation), and that expenditures have been made 8 for improvements to such real property in excess of ten per centum of 9 the value at which such real property was assessed for tax purposes for the tax year in which such improvements commenced, that such expendi-10 11 tures have been made within thirty-six months after the earlier of (i) 12 the issuance by such agency of bonds for such financing, or (ii) the 13 conveyance of title to such property to such agency, and that such real property is located in an eligible area; or 14

15 § 3. Paragraph 5 of subdivision (b) of section 25-s of the general 16 city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to 17 read as follows:

18 (5) non-residential premises that are wholly contained in real proper-19 ty owned by such city or the New York state urban development corpo-20 ration, or a subsidiary thereof, a lease for which was approved in accordance with the applicable provisions of the charter of such city or 21 22 by the board of directors of such corporation, and such approval was 23 obtained after October thirty-first, two thousand and prior to July 24 first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, provided, however, that such 25 premises were constructed or renovated subsequent to such approval, that 26 expenditures have been made subsequent to such approval for improvements 27 to such real property (by construction or renovation) in excess of ten 28 per centum of the value at which such real property was assessed for tax 29 purposes for the tax year in which such improvements commenced, that 30 such expenditures have been made within thirty-six months after the 31 effective date of such lease, and that such real property is located in 32 an eligible area; or

33 § 4. Paragraph 2 of subdivision (c) of section 25-t of the general 34 city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to 35 read as follows:

36 (2) No eligible energy user, qualified eligible energy user, on-site 37 cogenerator, or clean on-site cogenerator shall receive a rebate pursu-38 ant to this article until it has obtained a certification from the 39 appropriate city agency in accordance with a local law enacted pursuant 40 to this section. No such certification for a qualified eligible energy 41 user shall be issued on or after November first, two thousand. No such certification of any other eligible energy user, on-site cogenerator, or 42 43 clean on-site cogenerator shall be issued on or after July first, two 44 thousand [thirteen] fifteen.

45 § 5. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 25-aa of the general 46 city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to 47 read as follows:

(1) is eligible to obtain benefits under title two-D or two-F of article four of the real property tax law, or would be eligible to receive benefits under such title except that such property is exempt from real property taxation and the requirements of paragraph (b) of subdivision seven of section four hundred eighty-nine-dddd of such title two-D, or the requirements of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision five of section four hundred eighty-nine-ccccc of such title two-F, whichever is applicable, of the real property tax law have not been satisfied, provided that application for such benefits was made after

1 the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred ninety-five and before the first day of July, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, that construction or 2 renovation of such building or structure was described in such applica-3 tion, that such building or structure has been substantially improved by 4 5 such construction or renovation, and (i) that the minimum required 6 expenditure as defined in such title has been made, or (ii) where there 7 no applicable minimum required expenditure, the building was is constructed within such period or periods of time established by title 8 two-D or two-F, whichever is applicable, of article four of the real 9 10 property tax law for construction of a new building or structure; or

11 § 6. Paragraphs 2 and 3 of subdivision (a) of section 25-aa of the 12 general city law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, are 13 amended to read as follows:

14 (2) has obtained approval after the thirtieth day of June, nineteen 15 hundred ninety-five and before the first day of July, two thousand 16 [thirteen] fifteen, for financing by an industrial development agency 17 established pursuant to article eighteen-A of the general municipal law, 18 provided that such financing has been used in whole or in part to 19 substantially improve such building or structure by construction or 20 renovation, that expenditures have been made for improvements to such 21 real property in excess of twenty per centum of the value at which such 22 real property was assessed for tax purposes for the tax year in which 23 such improvements commenced, and that such expenditures have been made 24 within thirty-six months after the earlier of (i) the issuance by such 25 agency of bonds for such financing, or (ii) the conveyance of title to 26 such building or structure to such agency; or

(3) is owned by the city of New York or the New York state urban development corporation, or a subsidiary corporation thereof, a lease for which was approved in accordance with the applicable provisions of the charter of such city or by the board of directors of such corporation, as the case may be, and such approval was obtained after the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred ninety-five and before the first day of July, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, provided that expenditures have been made for improvements to such real property in excess of twenty per centum of the value at which such real property was assessed for tax purposes for the tax year in which such improvements commenced, and that such expenditures have been made within thirty-six months after the effective date of such lease; or

39 § 7. Subdivision (f) of section 25-bb of the general city law, as 40 amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as 41 follows:

42 (f) Application and certification. An owner or lessee of a building or 43 structure located in an eligible revitalization area, or an agent of 44 such owner or lessee, may apply to such department of small business 45 services for certification that such building or structure is an eligi-46 ble building or targeted eligible building meeting the criteria of subdivision (a) or (q) of section twenty-five-aa of this article. 47 48 Application for such certification must be filed after the thirtieth day 49 of June, nineteen hundred ninety-five and before a building permit is 50 issued for the construction or renovation required by such subdivisions 51 and before the first day of July, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, 52 provided that no certification for a targeted eligible building shall be 53 issued after October thirty-first, two thousand. Such application shall 54 identify expenditures to be made that will affect eligibility under such 55 subdivision (a) or (q). Upon completion of such expenditures, an appli-56 cant shall supplement such application to provide information (i) estab-

1 lishing that the criteria of such subdivision (a) or (q) have been met; (ii) establishing a basis for determining the amount of special rebates, 2 3 including a basis for an allocation of the special rebate among eligible revitalization area energy users purchasing or otherwise receiving ener-4 5 gy services from an eligible redistributor of energy or a qualified 6 eligible redistributor of energy; and (iii) supporting an allocation of 7 charges for energy services between eligible charges and other charges. 8 Such department shall certify a building or structure as an eligible 9 building or targeted eligible building after receipt and review of such information and upon a determination that such information establishes 10 11 that the building or structure qualifies as an eligible building or 12 targeted eligible building. Such department shall mail such certif-13 ication or notice thereof to the applicant upon issuance. Such certif-14 ication shall remain in effect provided the eligible redistributor of energy or qualified eligible redistributor of energy reports any changes 15 16 that materially affect the amount of the special rebates to which it is entitled or the amount of reduction required by subdivision (c) of this 17 18 section in an energy services bill of an eligible revitalization area 19 energy user and otherwise complies with the requirements of this arti-20 cle. Such department shall notify the private utility or public utility 21 service required to make a special rebate to such redistributor of the amount of such special rebate established at the time of certification 22 23 and any changes in such amount and any suspension or termination by such department of certification under this subdivision. Such department may 24 25 require some or all of the information required as part of an applica-26 tion or other report be provided by a licensed engineer.

§ 8. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (i) of section 22-601 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

30 (1) Non-residential premises that are wholly contained in property 31 that is eligible to obtain benefits under part four or part five of 32 subchapter two of chapter two of title eleven of this code, or would be 33 eligible to receive benefits under such chapter except that such proper-34 ty is exempt from real property taxation and the requirements of para-35 graph two of subdivision g of section 11-259 of this code, or the 36 requirements of subparagraph (b) of paragraph two of subdivision e of 37 section 11-270 of this code, whichever is applicable, have not been 38 satisfied, provided that application for such benefits was made after 39 May third, nineteen hundred eighty-five and prior to July first, two 40 thousand [thirteen] fifteen, that construction or renovation of such 41 premises was described in such application, that such premises have been 42 substantially improved by such construction or renovation so described, 43 that the minimum required expenditure as defined in such part four or 44 part five, whichever is applicable, has been made, and that such real 45 property is located in an eligible area; or

§ 9. Paragraph 3 of subdivision (i) of section 22-601 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 406 of the
laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

(3) non-residential premises that are wholly contained in real property that has obtained approval after October thirty-first, two thousand and prior to July first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen for financing by an industrial development agency established pursuant to article eighteen-A of the general municipal law, provided that such financing has been used in whole or in part to substantially improve such premises (by construction or renovation), and that expenditures have been made for improvements to such real property in excess of ten per centum of 1 the value at which such real property was assessed for tax purposes for 2 the tax year in which such improvements commenced, that such expendi-3 tures have been made within thirty-six months after the earlier of (i) 4 the issuance by such agency of bonds for such financing, or (ii) the 5 conveyance of title to such property to such agency, and that such real 6 property is located in an eligible area; or

§ 10. Paragraph 5 of subdivision (i) of section 22-601 of the adminis-8 trative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 406 of the 9 laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

10 (5) non-residential premises that are wholly contained in real property owned by such city or the New York state urban development corpo-11 12 ration, or a subsidiary thereof, a lease for which was approved in 13 accordance with the applicable provisions of the charter of such city or 14 by the board of directors of such corporation, and such approval was obtained after October thirty-first, two thousand and prior to July 15 16 first, two thousand [thirteen] fifteen, provided, however, that such 17 premises were constructed or renovated subsequent to such approval, that 18 expenditures have been made subsequent to such approval for improvements 19 to such real property (by construction or renovation) in excess of ten 20 per centum of the value at which such real property was assessed for tax 21 purposes for the tax year in which such improvements commenced, that 22 such expenditures have been made within thirty-six months after the 23 effective date of such lease, and that such real property is located in 24 an eligible area; or

§ 11. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (c) of section 22-602 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

(1) No eligible energy user, qualified eligible energy user, on-site 28 29 cogenerator, clean on-site cogenerator or special eligible energy user 30 shall receive a rebate pursuant to this chapter until it has obtained a 31 certification as an eligible energy user, qualified eligible energy 32 user, on-site cogenerator, clean on-site cogenerator or special eligible 33 energy user, respectively, from the commissioner of small business 34 services. No such certification for a qualified eligible energy user 35 shall be issued on or after July first, two thousand three. No such 36 certification of any other eligible energy user, on-site cogenerator or clean on-site cogenerator shall be issued on or after July first, two 37 38 thousand fifteen. The commissioner of small business [thirteen] 39 services, after notice and hearing, may revoke a certification issued 40 pursuant to this subdivision where it is found that eligibility criteria 41 have not been met or that compliance with conditions for continued eligibility has not been maintained. The corporation counsel may main-42 43 tain a civil action to recover an amount equal to any benefits improper-44 ly obtained.

45 § 12. This act shall take effect immediately.

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PART F

47 Section 1. Subparagraph (b-2) of paragraph 2 of subdivision i of 48 section 11-704 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as 49 amended by chapter 203 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as 50 follows:

51 (b-2) The amount of the special reduction allowed by this subdivision 52 with respect to a lease other than a sublease commencing between July 53 first, two thousand five and June thirtieth, two thousand [thirteen]

<u>fifteen</u> with an initial or renewal lease term of at least five years
 shall be determined as follows:
 (i) For the base year the amount of such special reduction shall be
 equal to the base rent for the base year.
 (ii) For the first, second, third and fourth twelve-month periods
 following the base year the amount of such special reduction shall be

7 equal to the lesser of (A) the base rent for each such twelve-month 8 period or (B) the base rent for the base year.

9 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

PART G

11 Section 1. Subdivision 9 of section 499-aa of the real property tax 12 law, as amended by chapter 306 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read 13 as follows:

14 "Eligibility period." The period commencing April first, nineteen 9. 15 hundred ninety-five and terminating March thirty-first, two thousand one, provided, however, that with respect to eligible premises defined 16 in subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) of subdivision ten of this section, 17 18 the period commencing July first, two thousand and terminating June 19 thirtieth, two thousand [fourteen] sixteen, and provided, further, 20 however, that with respect to eligible premises defined in subparagraph 21 (ii) of paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subdivision ten of this section, the period commencing July first, two thousand five and termi-22 nating June thirtieth, two thousand [fourteen] sixteen. 23

§ 2. Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 499-cc of the real property tax law, as amended by chapter 306 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

(iii) With respect to the eligible premises defined in subparagraph 27 28 (ii) of paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subdivision ten of section 29 four hundred ninety-nine-aa of this title and for purposes of determin-30 ing whether the amount of expenditures required by subdivision one of 31 this section have been satisfied, expenditures on improvements to the 32 common areas of an eligible building shall be included only if work on 33 such improvements commenced and the expenditures are made on or after 34 July first, two thousand five and on or before December thirty-first, two thousand [fourteen] sixteen; provided, however, that expenditures on 35 improvements to the common areas of an eligible building made prior to 36 37 three years before the lease commencement date shall not be included.

38 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

39 § 2. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivi-40 sion, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, 41 42 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in 43 its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section 44 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of 45 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such 46 47 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

48 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that 49 the applicable effective date of Parts A through G of this act shall be 50 as specifically set forth in the last section of such Parts.

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