

~~(D)~~ (E) "RESPONSIBLE PERSON" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 7-201 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE.

3-902. BROWNFIELDS REVITALIZATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

(A) THERE IS A BROWNFIELDS REVITALIZATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE BROWNFIELDS REVITALIZATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM IS TO:

(1) PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTIES PREVIOUSLY USED FOR COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES;

(2) PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTIES WITHIN LOCALLY DESIGNATED GROWTH AREAS;

(3) PREVENT URBAN SPRAWL;

(4) ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION;

(5) EXPAND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES; AND

(6) PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR ~~LISTED~~ QUALIFIED BROWNFIELDS SITES.

3-903. DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY AS BROWNFIELDS SITE.

(A) (1) AT THE TIME A PERSON APPLIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 7, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE OR RECEIVES APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN UNDER TITLE 4 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE THE PERSON MAY SUBMIT A REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PERSON QUALIFIES FOR FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR THE POTENTIAL REDEVELOPMENT OF A BROWNFIELDS SITE.

(2) (1) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF A REQUEST UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY AN APPLICANT WHETHER, IF APPROVED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM OR A CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN, THE APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF A BROWNFIELDS SITE.

(II) IN THE DEPARTMENT'S NOTICE OF AN APPLICANT'S QUALIFICATION FOR FINANCIAL INCENTIVES UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SPECIFY WHICH OF THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (4) THE APPLICANT MET.

(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE ELIGIBILITY OF A SITE AS A QUALIFIED BROWNFIELDS SITE BASED ON WHETHER:

(I) THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN A DENSELY POPULATED URBAN CENTER AND IS SUBSTANTIALLY UNDERUTILIZED; OR