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John Eldridge, Interim Town Manager
Town of Brunswick
28 Federal Street
Brunswick, Maine 04011

Dear Mr. Eldridge:

Thank you for submitting an Economic Development Program application for Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority. The review team has evaluated the final application and the Office of Community Development is pleased to inform you that you are invited into the project development phase of the application process for the Business Assistance program and that \$250,000 has been reserved for this project. Please be aware that this invitation is not a guarantee of funding or permission to begin the project or expend funds for project activities.

Final approval of this project is subject to funding availability and successful completion of the project development phase of the application process including the required environmental review. The project development phase must be completed **within 3 months of the date of this award letter**. The project development phase will also include details regarding job creation goals/benefit, disbursement of CDBG funds in conjunction with match funds and other activities necessary for a contract to be issued.

The level of environmental review that must be completed on this project is referred to as a Categorically Excluded Converted to Exempt (CECE). We strongly suggest that the ERR process begin as soon as possible as it requires a review and sign off from the State Historic Preservation Office and you will want to keep your project on its indicated timeline.

As you know, costs cannot be incurred or reimbursed for funds expended prior to our issuing an environmental review clearance date on the project. Information on how to complete the CECE, the timetable in completing it and the checklist of the documentation necessary to submit to us to clear the project is all contained in our Environmental Review Handbook beginning on Page 34. (<http://www.maine.gov/decd/meocd/forms/environmental.shtml>)

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Andrea Smith has been assigned as the Development Program Manager from our office to work with your community through the completion of this process. Andrea will be contacting you in the near future or you may contact her by e-mail at andrea.smith@maine.gov or by telephone at #624-9813.

Congratulations on your selection to proceed to the project development phase of the application process and best wishes for successful completion. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small mark at the end.

Deborah Johnson, Director
Office of Community Development

cc: Steve Levesque, Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority
Andrea Smith, Development Program Manager, OCD