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To: Connecticut Council on Environmental Quality, Environmental Monitor

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Administrative Services, Real Estate and Constructions Services

RE: Post-Scoping Notice Memorandum of Findings and Determination for Transfer of Properties at 18-20 and 30 Trinity Street in Hartford

On <u>July 19, 2022</u>, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) published a Scoping Notice for the subject project to the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) Environmental Monitor to solicit public comments in accordance with the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA). DAS published time-extension notices on <u>February 21, 2023</u>, <u>August 8, 2023</u>, and <u>February 6, 2024</u>.

During the 30-day open public commenting period, the DAS received comments from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). A copy of those comments and DAS responses are included in this post-scoping notice.

Based on the comments and responses received, and the analysis documented in the attached Environmental Review Checklist, DAS does not recommend the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) under CEPA.

This concludes the agency's CEPA review for this project. Next steps are for DAS to finalize the transfer of the property to the developer for implementation of the project as described.

It is expected that the Department of Housing (DOH) will be providing funding for the project. If the scope of the project undergoes any substantial changes from that described in this notice, the DOH will reevaluate the modified project and undertake additional CEPA review and action, as appropriate.

Should you have any questions, please send email <u>matthew.pafford@ct.gov</u>