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CDFA & NYSEDC Launch New York/New Jersey Roundtable Partnership -- CDFA New York/New Jersey Roundtable Officially Endorsed by NYSEDC --

Columbus, OH – The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) and the New York State Economic Development Council (NYSEDC) are pleased to announce the launch of a new partnership to advance the **CDFA New York/New Jersey Financing Roundtable**.

The CDFA New York/New Jersey Financing Roundtable, endorsed by NYSEDC, is dedicated to developing a sustainable economic development finance industry in the New York and New Jersey region through education, resource development, research and networking. This unique regional partnership brings together the development finance and economic development industries in New York and New Jersey.

"CDFA is very proud to announce this new state roundtable partnership for the development finance industry in New York and New Jersey," said Toby Rittner, President & CEO of CDFA. "New York and New Jersey have been very active in CDFA over the past three decades and launching this Roundtable partnership is a milestone achievement for CDFA. We are proud to build this Roundtable with the endorsement of NYSEDC and the leadership in both states."

The Roundtable offers webcasts, online resources, live events and a dedicated state finance newsletter. Topics covered include bonds, redevelopment, tax credits, revolving loan funds, capital access, energy finance, seed and venture capital, public-private partnerships and the entire development finance toolbox.

"NYSEDC is delighted to partner with CDFA to endorse the NY/NJ Financing Roundtable. The Roundtable will afford both economic development and finance practitioners opportunities to learn about the many resources that are available at the federal, state, and local level to support private sector projects" said Brian McMahon, Executive Director of NYSEDC. "CDFA has long been in the forefront helping to build a finance industry that meets the capital needs of project investors, while maintaining the highest operating standards for the industry."

The CDFA New York/New Jersey Financing Roundtable, endorsed by NYSEDC, will hold a one-day conference titled, *"Reinvestment, Redevelopment and Revitalization in New York and New Jersey,"* on September 24, 2014 in New York city. Learn more and registration online at www.cdfa.net and www.nysedc.org. NYSEDC members receive discounts to attend Roundtable events, access to the CDFA New York/New Jersey Financing Roundtable newsletter, and other benefits through this partnership.

The **Council of Development Finance Agencies** is a national association dedicated to the advancement of development finance concerns and interests. CDFA is comprised of the nation's leading and most knowledgeable members of the development finance community representing public, private and non-profit entities alike. For more information about CDFA, visit www.cdfa.net.

The **New York State Economic Development Council** is the state's principal organization representing economic development professionals. Our 900 members include the leadership of Industrial Development Agencies, Local Development Corporations, commercial and investment banks, underwriters, bond counsels, utilities, chambers of commerce and private corporations. For more information about NYSEDC, visit www.nysedc.org.

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