



City of Bristol Exhibiting at EASTEC

(April 16, 2019) – The Bristol Development Authority (BDA) will be exhibiting at EASTEC 2019, the leading Northeast manufacturing trade show, May 14 through May 16 in West Springfield, MA at the Eastern States Exposition (the Big E). Bristol offers quality lots for manufacturers to build existing buildings and space available for purchase and many incentives to encourage companies to relocate to Bristol.

The BDA will feature areas like the Southeast Bristol Business Park. The Park features lots for sale ranging in size from 1.27 acres to 6.53 acres. The Park features full underground utilities and is ideal for manufacturers, distributors, and more – lots may be merged to accommodate larger projects. Convenient to I-84 via Route 229 and Route 72, the Park is located within one mile of the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Lake Compounce Amusement Park, ESPN, and the City's 229 Industrial Park which includes several large manufacturers and distributors.

Manufacturers and/or distributors building in Bristol are eligible for a 5-year, 80% tax abatement on the new construction. Additionally, business owners are eligible to apply to a **local grant program** offering sizeable funds to assist with new building construction. As an example, a manufacturer that purchased Lot #4 and constructed a 30,000 square foot facility received a grant of \$150,000.

EASTEC, the leading northeast manufacturing trade show, has been providing solutions to manufacturing challenges for more than 35 years. Attendees come from a variety of industries including Aircraft and Aerospace, Automotive, Medical, Defense, Industrial and Commercial Machinery, and more. Exhibitors have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with over 13,000 attendees, of which 77% have a role in purchasing decisions with 29% having manufacturing equipment budgets of more than \$200,000.

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***About the Bristol Development Authority.** The Bristol Development Authority (BDA) works to improve the physical, economic, and social environment of the Bristol community by serving as the primary governmental organization dedicated to promoting commercial development, to preserving and improving the City's housing stock, and to securing and administering the resources required to carry out these goals. The BDA is overseen by an appointed nine-member Board of Commissioners which governs economic and community development policies for the City. For more information, log onto www.bristolallheart.com or by email to bda@bristolct.gov.*

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