PART VII ADDITIONAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

CHAPTER 171 SUPPLEMENTAL CREDIT OR POINTS

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- **261—171.1(15A) Applicability.** Pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 15A, the department will give additional consideration or additional points in the application of rating or evaluation criteria in providing a loan, grant, or other financial assistance for economic development-related purposes to a business or person that meets the requirements of this chapter. Unless prohibited by state or federal law or rule, department programs using a point system will provide supplementary credit of up to a maximum of ten points for applicants meeting the requirements of this chapter.
- **261—171.2(15A)** Brownfield areas, blighted areas and distressed areas. To be eligible to receive the extra credit points, the person or business shall be located in an area that meets one of the following criteria:
 - 1. The area is a brownfield site as defined in Iowa Code section 15.291.
 - 2. The area is a blighted area as defined in Iowa Code section 403.17.
- 3. The area is located in a city or county that meets the distress criteria provided under the enterprise zone program in Iowa Code section 15E.194, subsection 1 or 2.
- **261—171.3(15A)** Good neighbor agreements. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 15A.4, for any program providing financial assistance for economic development in which the assistance is provided on a competitive basis, a business which enters into a good neighbor agreement shall receive extra consideration of at least ten points or the equivalent.
- **171.3(1)** *Definition.* A good neighbor agreement is an enforceable contract between the business and a community group or coalition of community groups which requires the business to adhere to negotiated environmental, economic, labor, or other social and community standards.
- **171.3(2)** *Noncompliance.* A business which fails to abide by the good neighbor agreement shall repay all financial assistance received under the program.
- **261—171.4(82GA,HF647) Iowa great places agreements.** Notwithstanding any restriction, requirement, or duty to the contrary, in considering an application for a grant, loan, or other financial or technical assistance for a project identified in an Iowa great places agreement developed pursuant to Iowa Code section 303.3C as amended by 2007 Iowa Acts, House File 647, sections 1 and 2, a state agency shall give additional consideration or additional points in applying the rating or evaluation criteria to such applications.

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