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ROBERT RUBINSTEIN NAMED PUBLIC EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

Rubinstein Recognized for Exceptional Contributions in Community Development at the
Novogradac New Markets Tax Credit Conference

SAN FRANCISCO – Robert Rubinstein, acting executive director of Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, was named the 2013 Public Executive of the Year by the Novogradac Journal of Tax Credits for his outstanding contributions in the community development field.

Rubinstein was named Public Executive of the Year for his ethos of innovation, leadership and advocacy of the New Markets Tax Credit program. His involvement has resulted in the development of new financing strategies, neighborhood revitalization programs and sizable community development investments that have been instrumental in transforming the city of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rubinstein, along with other honorees, will be presented his award at the Sixth Annual Community Development Awards ceremony before hundreds of community development professionals attending the Novogradac New Markets Tax Credit Conference in New Orleans on Oct. 10.

The Community Development Awards honor individuals who have made significant contributions in the field of community development. Community development entities (CDEs) that have made exceptional qualified low-income community investments are also being recognized at the ceremony for their accomplishments.

“This year’s honorees showcase how the new markets tax credit program continues to play a pivotal role in strengthening the economic vitality of our nation’s most distressed communities,” says Michael J. Novogradac, managing partner of Novogradac & Company LLP. “I congratulate the winners and look forward to celebrating their contributions to their communities at the upcoming New Markets Tax Credit Conference.”

Additional information on Robert Rubinstein can be found here:
http://apps.pittsburghpa.gov/ura-files/RR_bio_092013_final.pdf

A complete list of the winners can be found here:
http://apps.pittsburghpa.gov/ura-files/CDA_PR_-_list_of_winners_092713.pdf

The Novogradac Journal of Tax Credits is a national monthly publication read by affordable housing, community development and renewable energy professionals who turn to its pages for industry news and commentary. The Novogradac Journal of Tax Credits covers the low-income housing tax credit, property compliance, valuation, tax-exempt housing bonds, new markets tax credit, renewable energy tax credit, historic tax credits and HUD programs.

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For further information on the Novogradac Journal of Tax Credits or the Community Development Awards, please contact Teri Baker at teri.baker@novoco.com.

The Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh (URA) is the City of Pittsburgh's economic development agency, committed to creating jobs, expanding the City's tax base and improving the vitality of businesses and neighborhoods. The URA achieves this mission by assembling, preparing and conveying sites for major mixed-use developments; and by providing a portfolio of programs that include financing for business location, relocation and expansion, housing construction and rehabilitation, and home purchases and improvements. To learn more, visit www.ura.org.

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