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## NJIT TAB Conducts Brownfield Liability Seminar for RIDEM



At the request of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM), NJIT designed and conducted a seminar focused on navigating brownfield liability and dispelling persistent brownfield myths that inhibit redevelopment. Held on June 6, 2019 in Providence, Rhode Island, NJIT designed the seminar, compiled a list of speakers for the agenda, managed registration, and served as an expert speaker at the

event. In addition, EPA Region 1 and environmental attorneys from RIDEM also served as subject matter experts for the seminar.

The goal of the seminar was to increase the public's knowledge and awareness surrounding brownfield redevelopment as it pertains to liability. The seminar was organized as a series of presentations concluding with an open forum allowing for audience members to participate and have questions answered. Topics discussed at the event included:

- Federal liability
- NJIT TAB resources
- Funding sources
- Rhode Island Voluntary Cleanup Program
- Brownfield liability law
- Steps to mitigate environmental liability
- Legal case studies

Approximately, 40 people were in attendance. The audience consisted of municipal officials, environmental attorneys, state representatives, and consultants.