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CBT ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR A NEWINGTON BRANCH

Hartford, CT, April 10, 2006 - The Connecticut Bank and Trust Company, (NASDAQ: CTBC) announced today the next step in bringing its brand of community banking to the greater Hartford market. President & CEO, David A. Lentini, stated that CBT, with headquarters in downtown Hartford, had applied to the Connecticut Department of Banking for permission to establish a branch office in Newington, CT. He noted that the Bank had obtained an agreement to lease space in an office complex at 66 Cedar Street.

The proposed Newington Office would be a full service banking center located just two blocks from the business center. The new facility will offer customers convenient, ample parking and an easily assessable entrance and exit. Mr. Lentini also noted that “we also intend to provide a drive-through window and a drive-up ATM, both of which are popular at our other banking centers.”

In addition to its Hartford headquarters, CBT currently operates banking centers in West Hartford, Glastonbury and Vernon, CT. Additionally, CBT has received regulatory approval to establish a Windsor office and plans to open the branch pending local zoning approvals and the completion of renovations.

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