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In a recent meeting with a group of biotech executives, Branford town officials and members of its economic development commission heard first hand why the town is such an ideal location and so appealing to bio science and associated industries.

As reported by Connecticut Light & Power and Northeast Utilities's Connecticut Economic Review for 2014, Branford exceeds most of the benchmarks documented in the report. Whether it's in the number of advanced degrees, business innovation, science and technology, or quality of life, Branford is at the top of the list.

Nearly half of all Branford adults have a bachelor's degree or more, making the town one of the best workforces to be found in the state for a 21st century economy. The town's many biotech and R&D operations make it stand out in the science and technology field. Advance manufacturing is well represented in town by Harco Labs, Alcoa Howmet and others, with Core Informatics among those in the growing field of software and data management that are calling Branford home.

The town's infrastructure is the best on the shoreline with public water and sewer, as well as professional police, fire and emergency services. The quality of life is unsurpassed with its 20 miles of shoreline along Long Island Sound, a gateway to New England and a portal to New York with four exits along I-95 along with convenient air and rail service.

Branford's reputation is of a town that works well with start-ups and expanding manufacturers, biotechs, technology companies, and others to help find the right site and to get up and running as quickly as possible. Branford is committed to making an extra effort for the emerging industries of bioscience, information technology, and photonics.

Our businesses are an integral part of a regional economy [www.rexdevelopment.org] that draws on six major universities in the area for a highly skilled workforce, has an extensive rail system with Shore Line East, MetroNorth and Amtrak as well as convenient domestic flights from neighboring Tweed New Haven Airport [www.flytweed.com] and international service out of Bradley Airport.

Branford's low taxes, a triple-A bond rating, an enviable quality of life and Town Hall's "business friendly" environment come together to create a healthy business climate and a diverse local economy ranging from bioscience and manufacturing to healthcare and boutique retail.

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