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By Electronic Mail

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Dear Mr. Sarno:

This is in response to the Gowanus Canal Community Advisory Group's (CAG's) November 10, 2020 resolution asking the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to review and comment on the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC's) proposed changes to the remediation plan for the Citizens Gas Works (Public Place) Former Manufactured Gas Plant site.

As part of EPA's assessment of the Public Place remediation effort, EPA and NYSDEC have agreed to work cooperatively with all parties involved to ensure that the remediation will be protective of public health and the environment, and that the basis for the remedy is clearly communicated to the public. The agencies anticipate jointly communicating with the CAG on this matter in the near future.

Should you have any questions, please contact Michael Ryan at (518) 402-9706 or Pat Evangelista at (212) 637-4447.

Sincerely yours,

Pat Evangelista, Director

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