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**Lead Agency Declaration and
Notice of Intent to Conduct an Environmental Review**

Project: Avenue V Pumping Station and Force Mains
CEQR#98DEP031K

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection believes that it is the appropriate lead agency and wishes to conduct a coordinated review for the above referenced proposed project. An Environmental Assessment Statement (EAS) has been prepared by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, acting as lead agency, in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), as set forth in 6NYCRR Part 617 authorized by Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, the City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) process, as set forth in Executive Order 91 of 1977 and its amendments, and the State Environmental Review Process as required by the State Revolving Loan Fund Program. Attached for your review is a copy of the above referenced project's EAS (Parts I and II).

The Office of Environmental Planning and Assessment (OEPA) on behalf of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, is reviewing the potential for significant impacts from the proposed upgrade and rehabilitation of the Avenue V sewage pumping station located at Avenue V and West 11th Street and construction of two force mains which would run west under Avenue V, 27th Avenue, Cropsey Avenue, Bay 40th Street and the northern shoulder of Shore Parkway, terminating at a connection with an existing sewer in proximity to the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge. The project is needed in order to meet combined sewer overflow (CSO) abatement and flow conveyance requirements established by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Final CSO policy.

The existing pumping station is staffed by 12 employees (over 24 hours) and has five one-story buildings. The proposed rehabilitation would demolish four of the structures on site and would involve the construction of two new buildings. The Main Building, a national and city eligible landmark structure which houses the pumping equipment, would be upgraded and extensively rehabilitated in coordination with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) and New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC). The upgraded pumping station would not be staffed; however there would be periodic inspection and maintenance by NYCDEP workers.



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The proposed improvements may require the following permits and/ or approvals:

- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – State Pollution Discharge Elimination System (SPDES), SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharge from Construction Activity;
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – Long Island Well permit;
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – Hazardous Substance Storage Permit;
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – Petroleum Bulk Storage;
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – Part 212 General Process Emissions Permit;
- New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation – State Environmental Review Process (SERP);

The project would be located within Brooklyn Community Boards 10, 11, and 13.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact either myself or Terrell Estes at (718) 595-4473.

Sincerely,



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