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MEMORANDUM

To: CDBG-DR NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program ERR File

From: Thomas J. King, Certifying Officer
Governor's Office of Storm Recovery

Date: October 11, 2016

Subject: Second Re-evaluation of Environmental Review
NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program
Endicott Water Supply Interconnection

The NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program (“the Program”) provides financial assistance to 124 communities severely damaged by Superstorm Sandy, Hurricane Irene, and Tropical Storm Lee. The Program is administered by the Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery (“GOSR”), operating under the auspices of New York State’s Office of Homes and Community Renewal’s Housing Trust Fund Corporation, which serves as the responsible entity for direct administration of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (“CDBG-DR”) program. As the responsible entity for the direct administration of the HUD CDBG-DR program, GOSR prepares an environmental review record to assist in the determination whether to grant CDBG-DR funding for the Program’s projects. The decision to grant CDBG-DR funding will be dependent on the environmental review required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (“NEPA”) pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 and the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.

Since the completion of the environmental review the project scope of the above-mentioned project has been amended. Specifically, the project now includes the replacement of an undersized 8 inch diameter water main with a 12 inch diameter water main on Riverview Drive between Garfield Avenue and Tracy Street. Although not a part of the original project description, this additional work was been reviewed against the NEPA Environmental Assessment dated March 16, 2016 and the SEQRA Negative Declaration dated March 16, 2016 pursuant to 24 CFR 58.47 and 6 NYCRR 617.7(e), respectively. The GOSR Certifying Officer hereby determines that the conclusions and assessments contained in the NEPA and SEQRA reviews for this project remain valid and that this change in project description does not require republication of the Finding of No Significant Impact or Negative Declaration.