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Acting Commissioner David B. Tweedy Department of Environmental Protection 59-17 Junction Boulevard, 19th floor Flushing, NY 11373-5108

Commissioner Adrian Benepe Department of Parks and Recreation Central Park New York, NY 10021

Re: City Water Tunnel No. 3, Shaft Site 25B (at Tenth Av., b. 48th and 49th Streets)

Dear Commissioners Tweedy and Benepe:

The Clinton/Hell's Kitchen community and Manhattan Community Board No. 4 have been anxiously awaiting the creation of a new park on Tenth Avenue since 1997, when discussions commenced between your agencies regarding the transfer of the property on which City Water Tunnel No. 3 Shaft Site 25B is located (on the west side of Tenth Avenue between West 48th and West 49th Street) to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Although construction of the shaft has been delayed several years, we now understand that construction of the shaft is about to begin. We write to remind you of DEP's commitment to work with DPR to determine how the property will be transferred to DPR jurisdiction upon completion of the project.

Please let us know the status of discussions.

For your information, please find attached correspondence from your agencies and this community board.

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cc: West 47th/48th Street Block Association