

Chapter 18: Irreversible and Irretrievable Commitment of Resources

There are a number of resources, both natural and built, that would be expended in the construction and operation of the proposed project. These resources include the building materials used in construction of the proposed project; energy in the form of gas and electricity consumed during construction and operation of the proposed project; and the human effort (time and labor) required to develop, construct, and operate various components of the proposed project. They are considered irretrievably committed because their reuse for some purpose other than the proposed project would be highly unlikely. The proposed project constitutes a commitment of the existing Kingsbridge Armory as a built resource, thereby rendering its use for other purposes infeasible. However, the conversion of the large, substantially vacant Armory into productive use and the creation of new employment, learning, and recreational opportunities for local residents would be an improvement to the Kingsbridge Heights neighborhood of the Bronx. *