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Mr. John Petronella
Deputy Regional Permit Administrator
NYS DEC- Region 3
21 S Putt Corners Rd
New Paltz, NY 12561

Dear Mr. Petronella:

I am writing you regarding the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) draft scope for the New Planet Energy project located in Stony Point, NY.

As the DEC develops the scoping document for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), I believe the review must be broadened to include its impact on surrounding communities. The proposed project is a new industrial technology which is sited within several thousand feet of the adjacent Town of Haverstraw. The draft scope should specifically examine the facility's proximity to the nearby rehabilitation hospital (Helen Hayes), elementary school and large senior citizen community. Any potential environmental effects on these sensitive populations must be addressed by the applicant.

In addition, the project will require the transportation of 4,800 tons of municipal solid waste (MSW) to the facility on a daily basis. The DEC has indicated that the DEIS will include an assessment of the traffic on the roadways surrounding the facility especially given the number of trucks that are required by the operations of the project. The draft scope document indicates that the study will analyze three intersections along US Route 9W in the Towns of Stony Point and Haverstraw. The DEIS must expand the transportation study to include roadways and intersections where the traffic will originate and pass through. Provided that a significant amount of the traffic will originate from the NYS Thruway, it is incumbent to assess the project's impact on the volume of traffic on the Route 303 corridor. Route 303 is already one of the busiest thoroughfares in the Town of Clarkstown and a project of this magnitude could severely impact the residents and businesses along that roadway.

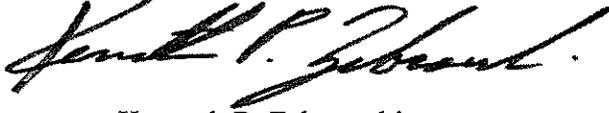
Given the scale of this project and its utilization of new technology; the Department must independently verify any data that is provided by the applicant. We must ensure that the DEIS is not only thorough but extremely vetted in terms of its accuracy. The environmental impacts of this facility will depend heavily on the quality of data.

This project will affect residents throughout the County as issues related to noise, traffic, water supply, and air quality have wide reaching environmental impacts. As you develop the scoping

document and the DEIS, I ask that you strongly consider the project's potentially negative outcomes for the residents in the surrounding communities.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments and concerns regarding the proposed New Planet energy project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth P. Zebrowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "K".

Kenneth P. Zebrowski
Member of Assembly