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<u>RE</u>: Hudson River Resist Delay Store and Discharge Rebuild By Design Project (Hudson River RBD)

Dear Mr. Rosenblatt:

Please find attached the signed copy of your letter requesting that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 agree to serve as a cooperating agency for the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Hudson River Resist Delay Store and Discharge Rebuild By Design Project on its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation. Due to resource constraints, we may have to limit the number of meetings that we attend, and hope that you will consider offering video or telephone conference opportunities. Please know that given reasonable time frames, we would be more than happy to review preliminary project documentation.

We would also like to remind you that our participation as a cooperating agency does not preclude our review under NEPA and comment authority under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act. We look forward to working with you on this project, and hope to be able to participate some of the public meetings. Lingard Knutson ((212)-637-3747 or Knutson.lingard@epa.gov) will be our contact person on this project.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure