## Meeting with McKownville Neighborhood Association Working Group August 24, 2006

## Attendees:

McKownville- Marty Gnacik, Alice Torda, Sharon Cupoli, Laura Whalen, Ed Brooks, Doug Smith

UAlbany College of Nanoscale Science & Engineering (CNSE) – Steve Janack, Tom Yurkewecz, Robert Segura

FRMC & University at Albany - Kathryn Lowery

The meeting was called to order at 4 pm; the minutes of the July 27 meeting were approved as submitted.

There were three areas of discussion: the submittal of an application through the SEQRA (environmental) review process, the proposed nature trail improvement project, and a presentation on environmental health and safety at CNSE's Albany NanoTech complex.

As a follow-up to discussion at the July 27 meeting, Tom Yurkewecz presented an update on the schedule for the state-mandated SEQRA process for the construction of NanoFab 300 East (office-laboratory building) and a new cleanroom adjacent to the NanoFab 300 North building. It was anticipated that submission of the application would take place on August 3, which would lead to a thorough review of issues pertinent to the project. Mr. Yurkewecz told the group he believed a negative declaration would be issued in early fall, during either September or October, indicating that any impact resulting from the project would be addressed through mitigating measures to be undertaken, as described in the Expanded Environmental Assessment Plan presented by Clough Harbour & Associates at the July 27 meeting.

With respect to the neighbors' desires for use of the undeveloped UAlbany land and opportunities to develop a walking nature trail, Kathy Lowery strongly supports the program and looks to accommodate the mutual needs of UAlbany, FRMC & the McKownville Neighborhood Association.

Lastly, Robert Segura, Manager of Environmental Health & Safety at CNSE, gave a presentation on environmental health and safety at CNSE's Albany NanoTech complex. Highlights included:

- CNSE is committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for employees, contractors and visitors, and a safe environment for neighboring communities
- Each member of CNSE's 45-person Emergency Response Team is trained to a technician level, certified by OSHA, and First Aid and CPR-certified by the American Red Cross; in addition, all persons working on site CNSE and contractors are required to attend an EHS Training Program
- To date, there is a zero (0) injury and illness record at CNSE's Albany NanoTech complex

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- There are more than fifty (50) regulatory required EHS policies and procedures that are implemented on a daily basis; violators of any policy or procedure are removed from the site
- A toxic gas monitoring system provides for continuous detection of specific chemicals
- Air emissions are controlled by semiconductor industry standards even though CNSE is not required to do so – and potential emissions are well below ambient air quality standards established by EPA and NYSDEC
- Industrial wastewater discharge is compliant with federal and local discharge limits
- All hazardous waste is removed by NYS-permitted firm and transported to EPA-permitted sites
- In summary: CNSE is committed to ensuring sound environmental health and safety practices within the semiconductor industry and within the neighborhood that we work

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.