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June 15, 1980

Mr. Elliot
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Region 4 Suboffice
Route 10,
Stamford, NY 12167

Dear Mr. Elliot:

In response to your notice of the application by the Town of Cuilderland to make the Westmere Water District the sole and permanent source of supply of water for the McKownville-Birchmont Water District, I hereby request status as a party of interest in the forthcoming hearing, and in all other matters concerning the McKownville Water District.

I am presently a member of the McKownville Water Advisory Board and a resident of the McKownville Water District. I am objecting to the application as it appears to be an abandonment of a valuable future water source and also precludes other options for water sources.

Based on a reading of evidence submitted last week in the Crossgates SEQR hearing, it is possible that

This application by the Town is part of a plan developed by the Cross-gates Group to expedite the approval of their proposed development in the watershed of the McKownville Reservoir. I would expect this question would be fully developed in the hearing.

If you need any additional information regarding my interest in this matter, please advise me at your earliest convenience. I will be out of town for the first three weeks in July and therefore not available for a hearing until after July 20th.

Please let me know if this ~~is~~ hearing is expected to begin before that date.

Yours truly,

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