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Dear Ms. Hass:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed modernization of Land Port of Entry (LPOE) Cannon Corners located at the international boundary with Canada on State Route 10 in Clinton County, New York. The modernized LPOE would provide the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Customs and Border Protection with a modern facility that would alleviate constrained working conditions and accommodate more advanced equipment.

Based on the information in the final EA and FONSI, EPA would like to applaud your agency's efforts to achieve LEED certification. After the project is built, we would like to share your organizations experiences in the development, design and construction of this project and hope you will assist in preparing a case study. EPA would like to promote some of the approaches you have incorporated into making the project sustainable which include:

- Compliance of new construction and major renovation with The Guiding Principles for Federal Leadership in High Performance and Sustainable Buildings.
- Improve energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse emissions.
- Use renewable energy sources.
- Reduce water consumption intensity.
- Use sustainable environmental practices, including energy-efficient, water-efficient, and recycled-content products.
- Reduce the quantity of toxic and hazardous chemicals and materials.
- Reduce fleet consumption of petroleum products and increase non-petroleum-based consumption.
- Achieve at least 95 percent on an Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool-registered electronic product, enable energy star, or establish ways to prolong the useful life of electronic equipment and many more.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this document. Should you have any questions concerning our comments, please contact Charles Harewood, of my staff, at (212) 637-3753.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Grace Musumeci". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Grace Musumeci, Chief
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cc: Christopher Oh, U.S. Customs and Border Protection