Converted Marine Transfer Stations Community Advisory Groups MISSION STATEMENT (September 2007)

Four Community Advisory Groups (CAGs) shall be established in the respective Community Districts that will host Converted Marine Transfer Stations (MTS). The CAGs will advise the Mayor and other elected officials on community-related concerns regarding the development, construction and operation of the respective Converted MTSs.

Each CAG shall consist of ten members, four appointed by the Mayor, three appointed by the borough president where the respective Converted MTS is located and three appointed by the council member elected from the council district in which the respective Converted MTS is located. The membership of each Community Advisory Group shall represent community boards, environmental and environmental justice organizations, business organizations, property owners, other local community groups and concerned members of the general public. Members shall serve for a term of two years without compensation and shall designate one member to serve as chairperson and one as vice-chairperson. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

The council member elected from the council district in which the respective Converted MTS is located shall serve as an ex-officio CAG member. The CAGs shall meet at least once every six months until construction of the respective Converted MTS commences, at which time the CAGs shall meet at least quarterly. A representative from the Department of Sanitation shall be available to attend each required CAG meeting. The chairperson of the respective CAG shall prepare a written statement within two weeks after each required CAG meeting addressed to the Mayor, Speaker, Department of Sanitation Commissioner, and City Council Sanitation Committee Chair.

The CAGs shall exist for ten years, at which time the City Council and the Administration will evaluate their effectiveness and continued merit, and jointly determine whether the groups should be renewed for any additional time period and if so, shall make any adjustments in the purpose, composition and operation of the CAGs, as necessary.