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This Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS) documents a public planning, analysis and review process for the City's solid waste management needs. A Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) was issued on March 31, 1992. The formal public review and comment period pursuant to New York City's Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) procedures and the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) began on April 9, 1992 when a Notice of Completion and Notice of Hearings was issued. The DGEIS was the subject of hearings in each of the five boroughs on May 14, 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1992. The record remained open for further written comments until June 1, 1992.

The comments received during this comment period from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and other involved agencies; from the New York City Council and other elected officials; from the Citywide Recycling Advisory Board and borough Solid Waste Advisory Boards; from Community Boards and other organizations; and from the general public are addressed in this FGEIS. These comments and responses to them are contained in Chapter 21. In addition, some of the text in this document and in its supporting appendices has been changed to reflect these comments.

Most of the revisions made in the approval process for this FGEIS and Plan are indicated with vertical lines in the margin, bold type, and strike-out lines through deleted original text, except in the case of Chapter 19 which was revised in its entirety.

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