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Dear Commissioner Garcia:

On behalf of the members of the Equal Employment Practices Commission (EEPC or Commission), I want to formally inform you that the Commission has issued the attached Determination of Compliance to the Department of Sanitation. This Commission has determined that the Department of Sanitation has implemented the required corrective actions deemed necessary by this Commission for ensuring a fair and effective affirmative employment program of equal opportunity as required by the equal employment opportunity standards of this Commission and Chapters 35 and 36 of the New York City Charter.

On behalf of this Commission, I want to thank you and Director of EEO, Teresa Neal, for the cooperation extended to the EEPC during the compliance-monitoring period.

Sincerely.

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c: Teresa Neal, Director, DSNY EEO
Judith García Quiñonez, Esq., Deputy Director/Agency Counsel

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES COMMISSION CITY OF NEW YORK

RESOLUTION #2014/827-19C: Determination of Compliance (Monitoring Period Required) by the Department of Sanitation with the Equal Employment Practices Commission's required corrective actions pursuant to the audit and analysis of its Equal Employment Opportunity Program from January 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

Whereas, pursuant to Chapter 36, Section 831(d)(2) and (5) of the New York City Charter, the Equal Employment Practices Commission is authorized to audit and evaluate the employment practices, programs, policies, and procedures of city agencies and their efforts to ensure fair and effective equal employment opportunity for minority group members and women, and to make recommendations to city agencies to insure equal employment opportunity for minority group members and women; and

Whereas, pursuant to Chapter 36, Section 831(d)(2), this Commission has adopted Uniform Standards for EEPC Audits and Minimum Equal Employment Opportunity Standards for Community Boards to assess agencies' EEO programs and policies for compliance with federal, state and local laws, regulations, policies and procedures which are designed to increase equality of opportunity for women, minorities, and other employees and job applicants identified for protection from discrimination in employment within municipal government; and

Whereas, pursuant to its audit and analysis of the Department of Sanitation's (DSNY) EEO Program, the Equal Employment Practices Commission (EEPC) issued a preliminary determination letter, dated November 7, 2013, setting forth findings and the following required corrective actions:

- 1. Assess recruitment efforts to determine whether such efforts adversely impact any particular group. To the extent that adverse impact is discovered, at a minimum, identify relevant professional and community organizations serving women, minorities, and other protected groups throughout the City, review and update listings of recruitment outreach sources, and contact these organizations when provisional positions become available or where the agency may otherwise use discretion in hiring.
- 2. If women, minorities, or other protected groups are underrepresented in titles where there is discretion in hiring, advertise in minority or female-oriented publications; contact organizations serving women, minorities, and other protected groups; participate in career fairs/open houses; or use internships to attract interested persons and to develop and hire interested and qualified candidates.
- 3. If women, minorities, or other protected groups are underrepresented in civil service (list) titles, review the competencies, skills and abilities required (as presented in job vacancy notices and notices of examination) for available positions to ensure that these standards are updated, job-related and required by business necessity. (This includes working with DCAS or the Civil Service Commission if applicable). Then advertise in

minority- or female-oriented publications, contact organizations serving women, minorities, and other protected groups; participate in career fairs or open houses; or use internships to attract interested persons and to develop and hire interested and qualified candidates.

4. Ensure that human resources professionals, managers, supervisors, and other personnel involved in the recruitment and hiring process are trained in EEO and interviewing, selection, and hiring skills to enable such individuals to correctly identify the most capable candidates (i.e. structured interview training or guide).

Whereas, the DSNY submitted its response to the EEPC's preliminary determination letter, on November 26, 2013; and

Whereas, in accordance with Chapter 36, Section 832(c) of the New York City Charter, the EEPC considered the agency's response and issued a Final Determination on December 19, 2013; and

Whereas, the DSNY submitted its response to the EEPC's final determination letter, on January 17, 2014; and

Whereas, in accordance with Chapter 36, Section 832(c) of the New York City Charter, the EEPC monitored the agency's implementation of the corrective actions from January to June 2014 with no extension of the monitoring period; and

Whereas, at the EEPC's request pursuant to Section 815.a.(15) of the New York City Charter, the DSNY submitted a copy of the agency head's memorandum to staff dated July 25, 2014, which outlined the corrective actions implemented in response to the EEPC's audit and reiterated his commitment to the agency's EEO Program; and

Whereas, all of the EEPC's corrective actions are required by, or are consistent with, federal, state and local laws, regulations, policies and procedures which are designed to increase equality of opportunity for women, minorities, and other employees and job applicants identified for protection from discrimination in employment within municipal government; Now Therefore,

Be It Resolved.

that the Department of Sanitation has implemented the required corrective actions deemed necessary to ensure compliance with the equal employment opportunity standards of this Commission and requirements of Chapters 35 and 36 of the City Charter.

Be It Finally Resolved,

that the Commission authorizes Chair Cesar A. Perez, Esq., to forward this Determination to Kathryn Garcia, the Commissioner of the Department of Sanitation.

Approved unanimously on August 14, 2014.

Angela Cabrera Commissioner Malini Cadambi Daniel Commissioner

Arva R. Rice Commissioner Elaine S. Reiss, Esq. Commissioner

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