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2	THE NEW SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
3	PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
4	FOR THE PROPOSED SOUTH BRONX CONVERTED
5	MARINE TRANSFER STATION
6	HELD AT: P.S. 48
7	Bronx, New York
8	June 22nd, 2004 5:55 p.m.
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2 Appearances:	2 MR. SZARPANSKI: Good evening,
3	3 my name is Harry Szarpanski. I'm
4 HARRY SZARPANKSI, P.E., Assistant Commis-	4 assistant commissioner for long term
sioner,	5 export with the Department of
5 DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION, 44 Beaver Street,	6 Sanitation.
12th	7 I welcome the opportunity to
6 floor, New York, New York 10004	8 appear before you tonight. I'm joined
7	9 by members of my staff, Vaughan Arnold
8 BRIJ M. SHRIVASTAVA, DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION	10 and Brij Shrivastava and to my right
9	11 soon to arrive, Sarah Dolinar.
10 VAUGHAN F. ARNOLD, DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION	12 We also have Susan Raila from
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12 SARAH DOLINAR, DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION	13 the firm of Henningson, Durham and
13	14 Richardson, HDR and HDR's are 15 consultant, is developing the
14 ALSO PRESENT: JAMES GORDON, JORGE FREIRE,	
15 Spanish Interpreters	16 environmental impact statement.
16	17 Representatives of the firm of
17	18 Ecology and Environment are also here
18	19 tonight, they helped organize this
19	20 meeting.
20	21 As you may know, the Department
21	22 of Sanitation is preparing a new
22	23 comprehensive waste management plan for
23	24 the City to replace that plan that will
24	25 expire at the end of October of this
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1 2 PUBLIC SPEAKERS: PAGE:	1 2 year This new solid waste management
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	3 plan or, as we refer to it as the new 4 SWMP, will plan for the management of
5 Silkia Martinez 29	5 all solid waste generated in the City
6 Manuela Arciniegas 30	6 of New York over the next 20 years.
7 Jenise Harrell 40	7 We expect to issue a draft of
8 Jahcel Owens 45	8 the new SWMP in September; it will need
9 Carl Van Putten 48	9 to be approved by the City Council and
10 Rafael Payano 51	10 by the State. The new SWMP will be
11 Janis Astor Del Valle52	11 supported by an environmental impact
12 Resa Dimino 55	12 statement.
13 Marian Feinberg63	13 The new SWMP will rely on
14 John Robert70	14 current programs to recycle, compost
15 Diana Guerrero 73	15 and prevent or reduce waste. A key
16 Marta Rodrigues 77	16 component of the new SWMP is the

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17 Inez DeJesus Willoubey

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- 17 long-term export of solid waste managed 18 by the Department of Sanitation through
  - 19 the state-of-the-art marine transfer
  - 20 station facilities that are proposed to
  - 21 be built at the City's eight existing
  - 22 marine transfer stations in Brooklyn,
  - 23 Manhattan, Queens and the Bronx.
  - 24 These facilities will
  - ${\tt 25}$  containerize waste and be transported

1 2 by barge for disposal. 3 The program to build new marine 4 transfer stations is called the MTS 5 conversion program. Staten Island 6 waste will be exported from a facility 7 that is now under construction in 8 Staten Island. The South Bronx 9 converted MTS will containerize the 10 waste from the Bronx as in the past. 11 We are here tonight to hear 12 your comments on the proposed South 13 Bronx converted marine transfer station 14 and the proposed actions including the 15 MTS conversion program and alternatives 16 that were outlined in the draft scoping 17 document we issued on May 17th. 18 The draft scoping document was 19 mailed to all of the elected officials 20 and community boards and to our 21 regulators, and was placed on the 22 Department's website and in public 23 repositories in your community and in 24 nine communities that are proposed 25 sites, nine other communities that are

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2 is your turn to speak.

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3 Because we're interested to

4 make a complete record of your

- 5 comments, please state your name
- 6 clearly and slowly for the
- 7 stenographer.
- 8 And so that we can hear 9 everyone who wants to speak tonight, we 10 ask that you keep your statements to 11 three minutes. If you do not wish to 12 speak, but would like to provide us 13 with written comments, please complete 14 one of the comment cards we have 15 provided for your use. 16 Thanks for coming tonight and I 17 will now begin my short presentation. 18 (Showing slides) the new plan 19 includes several initiates: The 20 long-term export of waste, new 21 recycling facilities in the City and 22 the plan will address handling 23 commercial waste. And we're here tonight to 24 25 receive your comments on the scoping

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2 proposed sites for the new marine 2 document; there are several ways you 3 transfer stations or for alternatives. 3 can provide us with comments. You can My comments tonight will be 4 speak tonight, and provide us with 4 I will make a short power point 5 verbal comments. You can fill out a 5 brief. 6 presentation before the public portion 6 comment sheet, submit a written 7 statement tonight or you can mail 7 of the meeting begins. Copies of my statement and the 8 comments by July 9th to me at the 8 9 presentation will be available at the address above and that would be in the 9 10 end of the meeting. And as I said 10 handout if you need the address or the 11 before, headsets are available at the 11 consultants working for us, Ecology and 12 sign-in desk for those who require 12 Environment. 13 Spanish translation of tonight's 13 The proposed action for the 14 meeting. 14 long-term export program is the marine 15 The real focus of this public 15 transfer station conversion program. 16 meeting will be your comments on issues 16 The alternatives that are being 17 and potential impacts that will be 17 evaluated include rail/barge export of 18 evaluated in the environmental review 18 waste from private transfer stations in 19 of the marine transfer station or 19 the Bronx, Brooklyn and Queens; the 20 alternatives. 20 rehabilitation of existing MTSs to 21 If you plan to make a statement 21 barge waste to an-out-of-city unloading 22 for the record, please make sure to 22 facility and delivery of waste in 23 take a moment to complete a speaker 23 collection vehicles or barges to 24 sign-up sheet. You will be assigned a 24 an-out-of city waste disposal facility. 25 number, and I'll call your name when it 25 This map shows the locations of

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2	the existing marine transfer stations;	2	container and all of this occurs within
3	the Bronx has one existing MTS and it	3	the building. And once the lid is on
4	also shows locations of all ten of	4	and the container is sealed, the
5	those being considered.	5	container will be moved out to the
6	The marine transfer stations	6	outdoor area where a gantry crane will
7	that are planned to be converted, three	7	pick up the container and place it onto
8	of them are in Manhattan, three in	8	a barge.
9	Brooklyn, one in Queens and one in the	9	The odor control system that
10	Bronx. And as part of the program, we	10	will be provided will have a
11	plan to reactivate the 52nd Street	11	ventilation system to prevent air from
12	Barge staging area in Brooklyn.	12	escaping the process in the building
13	The objectives of this program	13	when the doors are open. The doors
14	include: Export of waste by barge or	14	will be rapid roll-up doors meaning
15	rail, reduce the in-city transfer	15	that the doors will be open will be
16	trailer traffic; utilize more	16	in an up position for less time.
17	economical disposal capacity and	17	There's an interior water
18	provide more transport and disposal	18	misting system inside the building to
19	options.	19	reduce the dust in the exhaust air and
20	This just shows the wasteshed	20	the odor control system that's being
21	for the existing Bronx MTS and it	21	provided is one that neutralizes the
22	includes all of the Bronx and only the	22	odors rather than masking them with a
23	Bronx.	23	masking agent.
24	Next. This is a typical	24	There will be no detectable
25	cross-section of what the converted MTS	25	odors at sensitive locations outside

2 in the South Bronx will look like and 3 it's similar to seven of the eight 4 other facilities, the only one that's 5 different is the facility proposed for 6 West 59th Street in Manhattan. And the 7 difference there is that that's a long 8 pier and the shape of it is not allowed 9 for the particular design. 10 But basically what you see here 11 is on the right, the tipping floor, the 12 truck, trucks will go up a ramp onto 13 the tipping floor, the trucks will then 14 back up and drop waste to a low level 15 which is the loading floor. 16 At that low level, front-end 17 loaders will push the waste into four 18 openings in the floor; just below those 19 openings are containers and the waste 20 will be placed into the container and 21 tamped down and once the container is 22 full, the container will be moved over 23 to the left to the area labeled the 24 lidding operation. 25 A lid will be placed on the

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2	the facility.
3	This is just a map showing the
4	location of the South Bronx converted
5	MTS. It shows in red the truck routes
6	leading to the facility and it also
7	shows the nearest sensitive receptor
8	which, in this case, happens to be the
9	prison barge.
10	The facility is being designed
11	so that there's no truck queuing on the
12	street; the access ramps to the
13	facility are longer and the ramps are
14	being designed to support queuing of
15	trucks on the ramp itself.
16	In this facility, there are 17
17	collection vehicles that can queue on
18	site and within the facility, the
19	tipping bay has space for six trucks to
20	dump.
21	This overhead aerial shows the
22	old existing marine transfer station;
23	you can see part of it in white below
24	and the dotted line completes the
25	footprint of the facility. The new one

Page 14 2 is the shaded area which is 3 superimposed on top of the old 4 facility. The old facility will be 5 demolished when the new one is built. The containerization operation 7 itself, we're using specially-designed 8 intermodal containers that have 9 leak-proof seals; the lidding, as I 10 mentioned, will occur inside the 11 building and the containers will be 12 loaded onto the flat bed barges and no exposed waste will be handled outside 14 of the building. This is a photograph of a 16 typical device that is used for lifting 17 containers and placing them onto a 18 barge. The alternatives to the MTS 20 conversion are: Rehabilitate the 21 existing MTSs to barge waste to an 22 out-of-city unloading facility; 23 containerizing the Bronx waste at 98 24 Lincoln Avenue which is the Harlem 25 River Yards, for export by rail, and

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1 2 time in September. They'll be a period 3 for people to comment on the draft EIS 4 between August 6th and October 8th and on December 9th, we're looking to 5 6 publish a final EIS. 7 We've established a toll-free 8 hot line for those who want to call and 9 ask questions and provide comments by 10 phone and that hot line number is 11 888-NYC-SWMP. 12 We've also made available for 13 review, the documents associated with 14 this proposal at various public 15 repositories and there are two of those 16 in this area. And that concludes my 17 presentation and I'm going to start 18 asking people who signed up to speak, 19 to come up. 20 The first speaker is Elena 21 Conte (applause.) MS. ELENA CONTE: Good evening, 22 23 my name is Elena Conte and I am the 24 solid waste and energy coordinator for

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2 containerizing the Bronx waste at 920 2 organization located here in Hunts 3 East 132nd Street and dray it to, next 3 Point whose mission is to develop 4 to Oak Point Yard and then exporting by 4 projects in the South Bronx that 5 rail. 5 include the environmental health of one 6 of the most polluted areas of this 6 We have an anticipated 7 timeline. We're looking to complete 7 City. 8 conducting the scoping meetings by July 8 We are a member of the 9 1st. This is the fourth of a series of 9 organization of waterfront 10 ten public scoping meetings that 10 neighborhoods or a City-wide coalition 11 started June 16th. We're asking people 11 of community-based groups from lower 12 income communities and communities of 12 to submit comments on the draft scoping 13 document by July 9th if it's mailed in 13 color, all working for the last seven 14 or by July 11th if it's faxed to our 14 years to achieve an economic and 15 office. 15 environmentally-sound and equitable 16 The final scoping document is 16 solid waste management plan for New 17 anticipated to be issued July 14th. 17 York City. 18 We're looking to issue a draft EIS on 18 OWN was formed in response to 19 August 6th and we anticipate that the 19 the multitude of poorly-operated 20 State DEC will conduct its permit 20 truck-based transfer stations in 21 hearings between September 8th and 21 neighborhoods like ours that are 22 September 28th. 22 already inundated with multiple 23 The City Council is also 23 pollution sources. 24 anticipated to hold hearings on the 24 In the South Bronx, our noxious 25 draft solid waste management plan some 25 facilities include NYOFCO, the waste

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2	Power Authority Powerplant turbines and	3	
4	truck traffic to the tune of 11,000	4	land-based stations down.
5	trucks per day in and out of the	5	There are a couple of
6	peninsula of Hunts Point alone.	6	indications that have sent us the
7	From the very beginning, we've	7	message that Sanitation is losing sight
8	always advocated for a plan that will	8	of this goal.
9	shut down land-based transfer stations	9	First, they released a
10	and spread the burden for waste	10	commercial waste study that is poorly
11	processing equally throughout New York	11	done and makes some incredible leaps of
12	City's neighborhoods.	12	logic to come to the conclusion that,
13	This remains the case; as a	13	no findings, and this is a quote, no
14	step in that direction, we advocate for	14	findings indicate there are combined
15	opening all of the City's marine	15	adverse effects to the environment from
16	transfer stations in an equitable way.	16	existing transfer stations that would
17	This means that Manhattan must deal	17	warrant a reduction in the number and
18	with its residential and commercial	18	capacity of transfer station's
19	waste and stop inflicting its burdens	19	capacity, unquote in our neighborhood.
20	upon us.	20	That's the conclusion that you drew.
21	It would also it must also	21	And quite frankly, that's a gross lie.
22	be sure that Manhattan's neighborhoods	22	There are many reasons there
23	above 96th Street do not handle a	23	are many ways that Sanitation's
24	disproportionate amount of Manhattan's	24	consultants came up with this illogical
25	waste. The MTS plan has the potential	25	answer; here's an incomplete sampling
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Page 22 Page 24 1 1 2 prototype based on averaging. 2 community needs. It recently released 3 Finally, you ignored disturbing 3 the proposed regulations for siting 4 and significant findings that your own 4 transfer stations and these could not 5 study made when you drew that 5 offer real protection to the South conclusion. 6 6 Bronx, and actually have the potential 7 For example, the study itself 7 to make the situation worse for us. 8 concluded that transfer stations 8 And you decided to sneak in a hearing 9 contribute to an increased background 9 on the matter in the midst of a 10 level of particulate matter 10 of 10 two-week period during which there are 11 almost 50 percent in this neighborhood. 11 more than ten other hearings on the 12 So these stations are causing 50 12 solid waste management plan scheduled. 13 percent more particulate matter in our 13 Yesterday, at a City Council 14 neighborhood, but then you drew the 14 Hearing at City Hall, Commissioner 15 conclusion that that was insignificant. 15 Doherty was asked how he plans to shut 16 The Clean Air Act calls an 16 the land-based stations down. His 17 response, quote, I would hope, unquote 17 increase of only 3.3 percent 18 significant, so it's unclear to us how 18 that we find a way to do that and the 19 you look at something close to 50 19 different options, quote need to be 20 looked at, unquote. 20 percent and not acknowledge the impact 21 that it has. With all due respect to the 21 22 Suffice it to say, the 22 Commissioner, if you want to lose 23 commercial waste study is severely 23 weight, you don't sit on the couch and 24 flawed, its analysis should not be an 24 hope that the pounds will melt away, 25 evaluation for the solid waste 25 okay (applause.)

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2 management plan, the environmental 3 impact statement assessment of the 4 solid waste management plan or the 5 transfer station siting and operational 6 regulations put forth by the Department 7 of Sanitation. 8 These important regulations or 9 plans need to be based on thorough 10 research methods that measure all of 11 the real cumulative impacts of the 12 transfer stations. 13 The commercial waste study 14 should not be used as a justification 15 for the City to shirk its 16 responsibility to retrofit and reopen 17 all of the marine transfer stations 18 equitably throughout the entire City, 19 nor should the commercial waste study 20 be used as an excuse for the City to 21 continue its prior approach, doing 22 nothing to close down the land-based 23 transfer stations. 24 They're a couple of other 25 indications that Sanitation is ignoring

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2 The SWMP must include a clear 3 strategy for City's actions and there's 4 no alternative ways. We are already at 5 the point where we need to know the 6 answers as to how the City is going do 7 this. With more than 17 stations that 8 9 handle 25 percent of New York City's 10 garbage, our neighborhood is being 11 destroyed. Our asthma rates are 12 already seven times the national 13 average, and the clustering of these 14 stations is displacing other kinds of 15 businesses, jobs and services from 16 entering our neighborhood. They also 17 create obstacles to community-based 18 plans that I have listed. 19 I have a list of questions that 20 we feel that the draft scope doesn't 21 address; is there going to be a portion 22 of this hearing tonight which you'll be 23 able to answer those questions? MR. SZARPANSKI: If you submit

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24 MR. SZARPANSKI: If you submit 25 all your questions in writing we will

Page 26 Page 28 1 1 2 respond to all of them. 2 cannot? 3 MS. ELENA CONTE: Okay, can I 3 For those that it can 4 implement, does DSNY plan to apply --4 just read through them then if you're 5 does DSNY plan to apply them to all 5 not going to do back and forth tonight? 6 existing marine transfer stations or MR. SZARPANSKI: If it's quick; 6 7 just to the new ones? I think you've gone a little beyond 7 8 Finally, the draft scope states your three minutes, but go ahead. 8 9 quote, should the proposed action for 9 MS. ELENA CONTE: All right, we 10 long-term export not include converted 10 got time. Thank you for your leniency 11 marine transfer stations at certain 11 with the time. 12 marine transfer station sites, the use Okay, will the SWMP 12 13 of the existing marine transfer station 13 environmental impact statement evaluate 14 facility to receive commercial waste 14 the impact of the current land-based 15 and loaded into hopper barges, that 15 transfer stations with the same methods 16 would be towed to an out-of-city 16 that it used to evaluate the marine 17 containerization facility, will be 17 transfer stations and proposed 18 evaluated in the draft EIS as an 18 alternative actions? If it's not going 19 alternative to the proposed action for 19 to be used the same way, then why not? 20 commercial waste, unquote. 20 Will the proposed transfer So does this mean that in some 21 21 station siting regulations and the 22 communities the marine transfer station 22 forthcoming transfer station 23 alternative could be selected and the 23 operational regulations be considered 24 marine transfer station could be used 24 as part of the Department of 25 to receive commercial waste? That 25 Sanitation's overall solid waste

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2 management plan? If not, why not? 3 Okay, the draft scope states 4 that the marine transfer station 5 alternatives will be assessed in terms 6 of timing, increased rail or barge 7 transport of waste, cost savings and 8 comparative economics. Will they also 9 be assessed in terms of their 10 environmental impacts relative to the 11 marine transfer stations, specifically 12 in terms of their impact on already 13 burdened environmental justice 14 communities? 15 According the scope, the 16 Department of Sanitation has determined 17 that many of the commercial waste 18 studies recommended actions for the 19 improved operation of the transfer 20 stations, can be implemented under its 21 existing regulatory authority. 22 Can you tell us specifically 23 which actions the Department of 24 Sanitation thinks it can implement 25 under existing authority and which it

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2	these could happen in private
3	land-based transfer stations currently
4	in operation but also remain open? Was
5	that a possibility? So those are some
6	of the questions. Thank you
7	(applause.)
8	MR.SZARPANSKI: Thank you for
9	your comments and questions.
10	Our next speaker is Silkia
11	Martinez.
12	MS. SILKIA MARTINEZ: Good
13	evening, my name is Silkia Martinez and
14	I'm part of the community council and
15	I'm also a member of Mothers on the
16	Move and I'm here representing my
17	community 'cause we were actually not
18	an industrial area, we're not a dumping
19	ground for everybody else.
20	Our community (applause) has
21	become a dumping ground; we handle
22	everyone else's garbage, we have more
23	than the 50 percent rate of asthma,
24	probably half of this room has asthma.
25	Chronic asthmatics, senior citizens; we

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2	have no gardens, no trees to protect us	2	higher-income neighborhoods where most
3	from all these different garbage and	3	people are not of color, we all aware
4	entities and trucks that come to our	4	of that, this is the world we live in.
5	(applause) community.	5	Now, here we are, very grateful
6	Children can't play outside	6	to you, and wanting to join hands with
7	because these trucks are running back	7	
8	_	8	we just want you to know that the
9	indoors like they're incarcerated in	9	community very much supports reopening
10	our homes because there's trucks all	10	the marine transfer station for obvious
11			and simple reasons, right?
12	-	12	
	I feel, as a community resident		We have the worst air quality,
13			we're at the bottom ten percent of air
	all these transfer stations be put in		quality, Hunts Point in the South
	use and back all those trucks out of my		Bronx. The bottom ten percent in the
16			entire United States of America, right.
17	could lead me to a death bed		We have the second highest asthma rate
18	(applause.)	18	in New York City, one of the highest in
19	MR.SZARPANSKI: Thank you.	19	the country.
20	Our next speaker is Manuela Arciniegas	20	We have less than half an acre
21	(applause.)	21	of open space available per thousand
22	MS. MANUELA ARCINIEGAS: Good	22	people, and the average, the national
23	evening, ladies and gentleman, thank	23	average deemed healthy, six acres. So
24	you so much for coming out here and	24	there's a pattern of deficiency, right.
25	providing us the time and to tell you	25	We don't get what we deserve. We keep
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2	where we're coming from.	2	getting, pardon the urban word,
3	As you know, we are residents	3	shafted. We get shafted all the time,
4	-	4	right. And so we would like for all of
_	will be most directly feeling the	5	you to take it very seriously, open up
6		6	the marine transfer stations, one truck
	we do want to tell you first and		less in Hunts Point may mean one child
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	foremost for that, like Silkia	8	with less asthma.
	mentioned before, we deal with a lot of	9	Our community suffers greatly
10	garbage and the biggest problem with	10	from asthma and we have had many
11	this garbage is how it is transported	11	hearings and many opportunities to
12	in and out of our neighborhood.	12	actually do something sustainable for
13	We have some of the biggest	13	the long-term, this is your
14	-	14	opportunity, reopen the marine transfer
15	situated right here in Hunts Point and	15	stations.
16	Port Morris and the problem with their	16	And I would just like to point
17	work is not that they're trying to make	17	out a few points, that we are in

18 a living or trying to actually deal

21 of New York City's garbage when we

22 don't make 25 percent of New York

19 with the City's garbage, it's that we

20 get an unfair burden; we get 25 percent

23 City's garbage. And all of us are very

24 well aware of the fact that the garbage

25 does come from Manhattan, it comes from

18 agreement with a synergy of groups, a

19 whole number of groups, we are in

20 synergy because we've been linking 21 City-wide about how to deal with this

22 problem called garbage.

23 I don't know if you guys are 24 aware, but the United States makes most 25 of the garbage in the world, but we're

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2	less then ten percent of the world's	2	Among its many deficiencies,
3	population. We like to make trash. So	3	this analysis defines study areas in a
4	how do we deal with this, make less	4	matter that ignores numerous sensitive
5	trash?	5	receptors in improving homes, parks and
6	Carrying the trash away that's	6	schools affected by adverse transfer
7	actually helping the communities. When	7	station impacts.
8	transported by water instead of relying	8	It also uses one narrow study
9	on diesel-based land transport. Diesel	9	area for all types of impact rather
10	when it burns and the truck makes	10	than study areas tailored to the full
11	asthma, it induces asthma, it makes our	11	range of each impact.
12	air quality so bad.	12	The averages in the assessment
13	We're already it's a miracle	13	of an impact of clustering even though
14	that we can even breathe now, right.	14	the CE or our technical manual clearly
15	If we continue to channel garbage into	15	states that the worst-case scenarios
16	Hunts Point and Port Morris, it will	16	are to be used to assess projected
17	only get more difficult. We have an	17	impacts. Look at the worst-case
18	opportunity to do something long-term,	18	scenario, look at the place and the
19	not just for me, but for my children	19	opportunity that someone may die based
20	and grandchildren. This is a very,	20	on the decision you make today and
21	very high responsibility, we would like	21	start from there, right.
22	for you take it seriously, really take	22	This analysis also based its
23	it seriously and do the right thing.	23	assessment of clustering on the impact
24	So it's critical that the	24	of a fictional prototypical transfer
25	environmental impacts of the private	25	station, rather than the evaluation of
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2	system, including the converted marine	2	Thank you (applause.)
3	transfer stations, opening all of them,	3	MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you.
4	not just Hunts Point, 'cause we have a	4	Our next speaker is Marta Rodriguez.
5	tendency to open up to create site	5	Is Marta Rodriguez here? We'll come
6	variations and open up marine transfer	6	back to her later.
7	stations or open up waste transfer	7	Jenise Harrell (applause.)
8	stations in specifically our	8	MS. JENISE HARRELL: Good
9	communities, but we don't do it across	9	evening, I'd like to say first thank
10	the board in New York State, let's do	10	you (adjusting mic) I'd like to thank
11	it. New York City, let's do it, let's	11	you for coming; is that better?
12	do it across the board in all	12	MR.SZARPANSKI: Yes, it is.
13	neighborhoods. Every neighborhood	13	Thank you.
14	deals with its own.	14	MS. JENISE HARRELL: Thank you.
15	And the last comment I want to	15	Okay, my name is Jenise Harrell, I work
16	make is opening the marine transfer	16	with A.C.T.I.O.N which stands for
17	stations without closing land-based	17	activists coming to inform our
18	stations will only increase the harmful	18	neighborhood. And I've been living in
19	overburdening of the communities of	19	Hunts Point for going on 17 years.
20	color and low-income communities of New	20	I've seen a lot of plans come
21	York City. We're up to here ya'll,	21	into effect and then again, I've seen
22	there's no where else to go	22	other plans that haven't, and with this
23	(indicating.) We can't take it	23	plan, I I actually like the plan, I
24	anymore, at all.	24	mean, you have your faults, but it's
25	The strategies for closing the	25	something that I feel that you can't

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2 private land-based transfer stations 3 should be developed at the same time as 4 strategies for opening the marine 5 transfer stations and not be left until 6 after the MTS plan moves forward. We 7 have to do things in a coherent fashion 8 and look at things holistically, okay. 9 So, the rest of these comments 10 I'm actually going to submit them in 11 writing; I think the point is very 12 simple, the community here has had 13 enough; trucks have killed many a 14 people this year. You see it all on 15 the news. This is reality we deal 16 with, we have truck routes that aren't 17 obeyed, we don't have any means of 18 enforcement. We have the worst asthma 19 -- one of the worst asthma rates in New 20 York City and worst in the country. Like, what else do you need to 21 22 know to think sustainably, to do the 23 right thing for our community? We're 24 going to ask many questions and we're 25 counting on you to do the right thing.

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2 approve because I think you care I 3 mean, you're here and hearing us. Ι 4 mean, even though the meeting wasn't so 5 above board and everybody really didn't 6 know about it and know about it the 7 last minute, thank you for coming 8 anyway. q As -- I'm really, I was 10 thinking about getting into the 11 statistics of it all and afterwards I 12 thought, why should I, you know, I 13 should really speak from the heart and 14 that's what I'm going to do. 15 I am 16 and I feel that Hunts 16 Point is being abused. I feel that 17 there's lot of unequality (sic) or some 18 of the injustice because we have 19 smaller paychecks than people in 20 Manhattan. As you have heard, Manhattan 21 22 does produce a lot of New York City's 23 waste and it is really unfair that the, 24 I think the one on 96th Street is not 25 going to open because they have higher

1 1 2 paychecks. 2 don't know what you drove in here, 3 I mean, I'll -- when we went 3 Cadillac, Lexus or whatever that may 4 over there and we did our press 4 be, but you should look at the area and 5 conference, I noticed that -- I noticed say, is this really going to be equal? 5 6 the area, the waterfront area was well 6 Because that's what we're asking for, 7 taken care of; the center they have 7 everything to be equal. 8 across the street, the buildings and 8 I reach -- a lot of children in 9 here has asthma, I'm not sure about everything and you know they, they do 9 10 have a higher income than all of us, 10 Manhattan's, but I know it's way higher 11 but for them not to open the waste 11 than Manhattan's. 12 transfer station because they think 12 I looked at the -- I looked at that they were -- they are higher than 13 13 the way they treat their area, and it's us, is definitely unfair and I think 14 nice, and Hunts Point on the other 14 15 that's something you should look at. 15 hand, we have our faults and I feel 16 I've seen that you said you're 16 that you should look at that, because 17 going to open three in Manhattan but 17 we're all equal so when you're making 18 did you really try to look at, are they 18 that decision, come to mind and please 19 really going to open? Are you really 19 think about the Hunts Point residents, 20 going to say this must open 'cause I 20 we're not three-fifths of a person, we 21 heard that all before and I don't want 21 are one person and we have our rights 22 to hear it again. 22 (applause.) 23 When it comes to -- I'm 23 MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you very 24 bringing back to the class, I was 24 much for your comments. The next 25 thinking about this earlier, I have an 25 speaker, I think it's Jahcel Owens?

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2 exam and we getting into history, 3 slaves were counted as three-fifths of 4 a person and I feel that's how 5 Manhattan looks upon the Hunts Point 6 community, (applause) that we're 7 three-fifths of a person. 8 We are all equal, and I don't 9 care what your paycheck can say, 10 because your paycheck can't -- your 11 paycheck can't buy my dignity, it can't 12 buy heart and it doggone sure is not 13 going to pay for me to keep my mouth 14 shut because of what I got to say be 15 realized (applause.) 16 So I really feel that you 17 should make sure that what you're 18 saying up there is a fact, Manhattan's 19 marine transfer stations will be open 20 because if it's not, then I don't feel 21 Hunts Point should be. I don't feel it 22 should open anything, I feel it should 23 just be left there, just take care of 24 the area that is there, because as you 25 see, I'm sure when you came in here, I

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2	(Applause.)
3	MR. JAHCEL OWENS: Good
4	evening, my name Jahcel Owens and I'm
5	here on behalf of A.C.T.I.O.N. I am a
6	member of the A.C.T.I.O.N. We work on
7	issues that effect our community of
8	Hunts Point and the South Bronx.
9	A.C.T.I.O.N has been working
10	with the waste transfer station and
11	marine transfer station issue for quite
12	some time. We have done research and
13	attended meetings and have been
14	involved with the issues.
15	The South Bronx, specifically
16	Hunts Point, has a large number of
17	waste transfer stations. The South
18	Bronx handles a large portion of New
19	York City's solid waste. Trucks going
20	to and coming from the waste transfer
21	stations put out a lot of pollution and
22	contribute to the poor air quality of
23	the community and a high asthma rate.
24	There are already 15,000 truck
25	trips per day in the South Bronx. It

Page 46 Page 48 1 1 2 is not fair for one community to carry 2 In conclusion, the South Bronx 3 the burden on other boroughs, 3 has historically had to bear an unfair 4 especially Manhattan, which doesn't 4 burden of the City's waste. We demand 5 handle any of its own solid waste. each borough take its fair share by 5 We believe that opening all the 6 6 retrofitting and re-opening its marine 7 marine transfer stations is more 7 transfer station. 8 equitable way of dealing with the 8 Thank for taking the time out 9 City's solid waste. The Mayor also has 9 to have testimony today (applause.) 10 endorsed this plan. MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you very 10 11 With the opening of the marine 11 much. Our next speaker is Carl Van 12 transfer station, each borough will be 12 Putten. 13 self-sufficient in handling its own MR. CARL VAN PUTTEN: My name 13 14 garbage. Trucks will not need to use 14 is Van Putten, Carl. Is there anybody 15 local streets in the community, will 15 here who can't hear me? (Adjusting mic) 16 not have to travel as far, thus, there 16 Is there anyone here who cannot hear me 17 will be less pollution from trucks and 17 clearly? 18 fewer asthma triggers from the chemical 18 MR.SZARPANSKI: I think we 19 and the diesel exhaust. 19 need to make sure the stenographer 20 We urge that all marine 20 hears you. 21 transfer stations be reopened to create MR. CARL VAN PUTTEN: Oh, he's 21 22 an equitable system. There has been a 22 got to. I can send you a note. 23 resistance for Manhattan in opening of 23 I live here, 20 years. I don't 24 a marine transfer station on East 91st 24 have asthma, but I have a son that 25 Street. If the marine transfer station 25 does. He's a man now.

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2 remains closed, this would be an 3 example of environmental injustice. This part of Manhattan has many 4 5 amenities that Hunts Point does not 6 have. The Upper East Side has many 7 hotels, restaurants and business that 8 give it revenue; it has a beautiful 9 waterfront and its residents have more In addition, the marine transfer 10 fun. 11 station on East 91st Street is next to 12 a highway and away from residents. 13 On the other hand, Hunts Point 14 is the poorest congressional district 15 in the nation, currently numerous 16 trucks carry garbage, pass directly 17 next to homes and schools. 18 Hunts Point has the second 19 highest asthma rate in the country. 20 Hunts Point produces a small percentage 21 of garbage but handles 25 percent of 22 the City's trash. Our waterfront is 23 not open and accessible to the public, 24 but we are trying to make it a nice 25 place for recreation.

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The facts and figures have been 3 given, I appreciate, but it's already 4 been covered and besides that, you know 5 it better than they do, otherwise you 6 wouldn't be here. My complaint, I smell the stuff 8 and it stinks (applause.) I used to 9 sit in front of my house with my 10 neighbors, we all bring our little 11 chair out, especially in the summertime 12 and we exchange a little gossip, 13 comments about the passing of people, 14 especially the young ones, and we 15 enjoyed it, it was cool; I mean the 16 temperature. Now, no way in hell. Stay 18 upstairs with the air-conditioning 19 because on a hot night, you can't 20 breathe (applause.) The air comes in from the 22 water, and I know all the streets, I 23 have pictures of them, I like to walk 24 through, or I used to. 25 The air comes in from the

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2	water, it comes down Hunts Point, it	2	I'm not saying I'm not
3	should be refreshing, it ain't. That	3	saying that this is a bad plan, but
4	means it's not.	4	like everybody knows, you know, there
5	We have lousy air; you already	5	are motives behind any plan. So if
6	know about the health particulars, but	6	you're going to open one transfer
7	I'm talking about the everyday-smell.	7	station, open all of them, not just
8	It isn't cool, you wouldn't like to	8	one. Because if I'm I'm pretty sure
9	come here.	9	that everybody's aware of that Pledge
10	If I had all of your phone	10	of Allegiance to this country says,
11	numbers I'd call you, come on over and	11	"Equality for all, justice for all,"
12	enjoy some stink with me, (applause)	12	not justice for some and not justice
13	because that's what it is.	13	for those who have the mighty dollar.
14	Help clean it up, it's the	14	Thank you (applause.)
15	right thing to do. Thank you	15	MR.SZARPANSKI: Thank you very
16	(applause.)	16	much. Our next speaker is Janis Astor
17	MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you.	17	Del Valle (applause.)
18	Our next speaker is Rafael Payano	18	MS. JANIS ASTOR DEL VALLE:
19	(applause.)	19	Thank you. Good evening and thank you
20	MR. RAFAEL PAYANO: Good	20	for coming tonight, welcome to Hunts
21	evening, my name is Rafael Payano, I'm	21	Point.
22	18 years old and I've lived here about	22	I'm Janis Astor Del Valle,
23	roughly 15 years of my life.	23	asthma victim and program director for
24	I'm not here today to tell you	24	the Points Action Program, a group of
25	how to do your job or lecture you on	25	16 youth organizers, nine of whom

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2 that, because I don't have the degrees 3 that you all have on your belt, but I'm 4 here to tell you how many of the people 5 feel about this whole garbage situation 6 in the south Bronx. 7 A lot of us feel like, I 8 supported the Mayor's plan to open a 9 marine transfer station, but before any 10 of that is done, I'd like to let you 11 know, this community, this community, 12 the South Bronx in general, suffers 13 from social, economic and political 14 injustice. And even though through 15 many things that, you know, that make 16 us feel, make us feel depressed, we 17 have managed to make this community 18 thrive.

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19 And before you go ahead and 20 sign, sign the documents that will 21 destroy many hard years of works by 22 many of the people in here and many of 23 the people who are here, I want you to 24 think about all people that you will be 25 effecting.

suffer from asthma.
As a concerned citizen of the
Bronx and one whose family has its
roots in Hunts Point, I urge you to
abide by the Mayor's garbage plan which
calls for each borough to become
self-sufficient by retrofitting and
re-opening all of the City's marine
transfer stations (applause.)
Having worked at the Point for
the past three years, I've witnessed
and smelled first-hand, the pungent
odors of garbage from land-based
transfer stations, most notably, this
odor infiltrates Southern Boulevard and
Manida Street. And this unbearable
stench is particularly horrendous, as
you heard my colleagues state, in the
summer months, when high temperatures
and humidity trap the smell in the air
making it almost impossible to breathe
and triggering asthma attacks in a
community that already suffers from the
second highest asthma rate in the

Page 54 Page 56 1 1 Not just in the City, not 2 of the boroughs. And it's contingent on 2 country. 3 just the state, but country. 3 that in that need to close the 4 On some sweltering summer days 4 land-based transfer stations. 5 and nights, the stench is so bad 5 We support the general premise 6 residents can't open their windows, and 6 of the reuse of the MTA -- TS system 7 even for those who can afford an 7 and really strongly support the use of 8 air-conditioner, it's often futile to 8 city-owned infrastructure for the 9 use it because the stench, and God 9 disposal of garbage. 10 knows whether they're toxins, are 10 But we have some real concerns 11 filtering in. 11 about the way this EIS is moving 12 But we don't have to live like 12 forward. Primarily, the concern that 13 this. Hunts Point doesn't have to 13 there is -- are no alternatives to 14 continue being a dumping ground for the 14 disposal discussed at all in this 15 rest of New York City. And you have 15 scope. 16 the power to change that, do the right 16 There's no discussion, very 17 thing, close the land-based transfer 17 minimal discussion of recycling, only 18 stations, support the Mayor's plan, 18 continuation of what's currently 19 retrofit and re-open all of New York 19 happening in a very minimal way. 20 City's marine transfer stations, 20 There's no discussion of waste 21 (applause) do not exempt Manhattan, do 21 prevention, reuse; no discussion of 22 not allow suits and the color of money 22 composting. We can't talk about a 23 to blind you to the truth, but do end 23 20-year solid waste plan talking only 24 environmental racism that has plagued 24 about disposal, that's only one piece 25 the Hunts Point and South Bronx 25 of the puzzle and that's a real Page 55 Page 57

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2 community for far too long. Thank you 2 problem. 3 (applause.) 3 In addition, the SWAB does not MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you. support the reopening of the South 4 4 5 Bronx MTS station. We held a series of 5 Our next speaker is Nersa; is it 6 meetings about year ago where we 6 Barrios? THE AUDIENCE: She stepped out. 7 discussed all of the alternative sites 7 8 in the Bronx that could be used for 8 She stepped out. 9 marine transfer of waste, including the MR. SZARPANSKI: She stepped 9 10 Hunts Point MTS, the Harlem River Yard 10 out, okay. We'll come back to her. 11 site, the Republic site at 132nd Street Resa Dimino. 11 12 and the potential for a new transfer 12 MS. RESA DIMINO: (Applause) 13 station at Westchester Creek and 13 thank you. Hi, my name's Resa Dimino, 14 existing DSNY facility there. 14 I'm the chair of the Bronx SWAB. I'm 15 I'm going to enter into the 15 going to be offering some oral comments 16 record the recommendation we made to 16 tonight and entering some things into 17 the Borough President last year. But 17 the record, but the SWAB will be 18 just to summarize, our concerns about 18 providing more detailed written 19 the Hunts Point MTS are that they --19 comments before the deadline. 20 because of its location right adjacent 20 First, I wanted to say that the 21 to the meat, fish and produce markets, 21 SWAB does support some basic things in 22 and because it's in the nature -- in a 22 this EIS, in the scope. The basic 23 neighborhood already over saturated 23 premise of self-sufficiency, which of 24 with waste facilities, it's really an 24 course as you heard a lot, depends on 25 inappropriate location. 25 the opening of all of the MTSs in all

Page 58 Page 60 1 1 2 We looked at, did a very 2 is, it's an ambitious goal that can 3 preliminary observation of the three 3 spark the creativity and innovation 4 other sites and concluded that the 4 that we need to solve our mounting 5 waste management facility at the Harlem waste problem. It's a plan in 5 Rail Yard and the Republic Facility 6 6 framework that creates an economy where 7 both had benefits in terms of 7 products are reused, reduced and 8 additional capacity, in terms of rail 8 recycled, an economy that minimizes and 9 ultimately eliminates waste. capacity on site, in terms of distance 9 10 from residential community. 10 It's a whole-system approach to 11 We are terribly concerned that 11 redesigning the way that materials and 12 these are not City-owned sites and 12 resources flow through our economy, to 13 would like the City to consider 13 eliminate waste and inefficiency at all 14 actually acquiring those sites by 14 phases of a product's life cycle and 15 eminent domain so that the City system 15 ultimately eliminate the burden on 16 could be continued to be City-owned 16 communities like this one for handling 17 which we think is very important. So 17 the disposal of that waste. 18 I'm going to give this to you to 18 And it's really the next 19 consider as you -- as you go forward. 19 industrial rev -- revolution, it's a 20 In terms of alternatives to 20 system that goes beyond reduce, reuse, 21 recycle to address the three E's we 21 zero -- to the waste disposal plan put 22 forward here, the SWAB has endorsed the 22 call them, efficiency, economics and 23 principle of zero waste and has 23 most importantly, ethics. 24 participated in the process of And zero waste is really an 24 25 developing this report, "Reaching for 25 investment in the local economy, it's

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2 Zero, a Citizen's Plan for Zero Waste 3 in New York City." I'm also gonna enter 4 this into the record for your 5 consideration. And I do just want to 6 say a couple of things about zero 7 waste. 8 The current system, our current 9 economic system and certainly the 10 system represented in this scope, is 11 based on the premise that waste is an 12 inevitable burden that must be managed 13 usually by overburdened communities 14 like this one. 15 The zero waste approach doesn't 16 really accept that premise, but rather 17 we assert that waste is a byproduct of 18 poor planning, of bad design and of 19 inefficient markets. So what this plan 20 does and what zero waste does is 21 adjusts these shortcomings through a 22 comprehensive package of programs and 23 policies that in combination, design 24 waste out of the system. 25 So basically what zero waste is

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1 2 the creation of local jobs to reclaim 3 the materials that would otherwise 4 become waste. And, you know, for those 5 of you who think that zero waste is a 6 little wacky, it's really not, there 7 are a lot of communities out there, 8 there are cities around the country and around the world that adopted the zero 9 10 waste goals and that have zero waste 11 plans in place: San Francisco, 12 Toronto, the entire State of California 13 and countries like Australia and New 14 Zealand, places like that. If -- we realize that a zero 15 16 waste isn't a literal target, we may 17 not be able to eliminate every item 18 from the waste stream, but we won't 19 know how far we get until we try. So, 20 if we don't strive for zero, we're only 21 going to continue to make very 22 incremental progress and continue to 23 overburden communities like Hunts Point 24 with endless amounts of garbage. 25 So we really have a choice to

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	make, we can continue to pay the rising	2	long-time member of the Environmental
3	environmental public health and	3	Committee of Community Board Two and
4	economic cost of waste disposal; we can	4	the Environment the chairperson of
5	send billions of dollars into holes in	5	the Environment Community or EC
6	the ground dis in distant lands and	6	Partnership.
7	distant states, leaving a toxic legacy	7	I would unfortunately, we
8	for generations to come, or we can	8	didn't have as much time as we would
9	choose zero waste and when we choose	9	like to prepare for tonight because we
10	zero, we invest in local programs and	10	were out of town last week at a meeting
11	infrastructure to reduce, re-use,	11	of National Institute of Environmental
12	recycle and compost.		Health Science, but we do have a few
13	We offer an opportunity to keep	13	comments in the short period that we
	those billions of dollars circulating	14	had to look through the documents.
15	in the City's economy to create jobs	15	One, we would really like to
16	and economic opportunities for the	16	support what the previous speaker said
17	City's residents instead of creating	17	about both zero waste and alternative
18	burdens for them to bear.	18	siting, because it is very troubling to
19	And lastly, I wanted to say	19	us that the only two alternative sites
20	that I think that the accelerated	20	that were given to this marine transfer
21	schedule put forward in this scoping	21	station were both in the Mott
22	document is really, really problematic;		Haven/Port Morris area which is a
23			neighborhood that is similarly over
24	said, leaving out any alternative to		burdened; the Bronx has a huge
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24 the South West Clean Air Coalition. 24 actually impacts directly caused by

25 I'm also the -- I'm the environmental,

25 City of New York. And so, it's not

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2	just some sort of far-out industrial	2	that we did today, you guys seem to be
3	impacts, but in fact, the two sewage	3	raising very strong technical problems
4	processing facilities that are here	4	with all of the waste transfer stations
5	that are run by the DEP, the NYOFCO	5	in Manhattan, which then leads us to
6	plant which is under direct contract of	6	think that, you know, oh, it's just too
7	the DEP, would not exist were it not	7	bad, it's, we would like to open a
8	for the DEP.	8	waste transfer station in Manhattan,
9	And a number of other, you	9	but just, there just seemed to be this
10	know, similar facilities. One of those	10	technical problems. And so and to
11	facilities, which is another issue that	11	be a big excuse and we frankly, you
12	we had with the way that the	12	know, do not do not want to see that
13	environmental impact statement was	13	happen and we we will not see it
14	done, is a prison barge, and while your	14	happen.
15	report is very careful to talk about no	15	I wanted to comment also on
16	vulnerable plant, fish or wildlife	16	what Ms. Conte said about PM10
17	species in the vicinity, it does	17	particulates; I would really study the
18	mention that in fact the prison barge	18	asthma literature, and I can and I
19	is within a quarter mile of of the	19	can tell you that there's more and more
20	of the MTS and would be feeling the	20	literature coming out, including a very
21	impacts, but they were immediately	21	important study that was done about two
22	dismissed and we feel like that they	22	years ago from the California Air
23	were dismissed more with less	23	Resources Board of the University of
24	concern than they would have been where	24	Southern California, which clearly
25	there are vulnerable fish nearby and I	25	points out that particulate matter not

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2 mean, people in the -- that prison 3 barge, many of -- some of them have 4 made a mistake and some of them haven't 5 made a mistake, but those -- some of 6 those people are our cousins and our 7 neighbors and there's 800 people that 8 live -- that live in there and hundreds 9 more people come to work in there 10 everyday, come to visit people everyday 11 and their lives and their ability to 12 take a breath and hearing what's said 13 to them is not something that can just 14 be dismissed, it has to be taken into concern just like everything else, 15 16 everybody's else life needs to be taken 17 into concern. 18 Let me just continue here for a 19 minute; I guess the other -- the other 20 guestion that we have, in addition to 21 the very strongly backing this whole 22 issue of what's going to happen with 23 these waste transfer stations in 24 Manhattan since the -- a quick

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25 look-through of the documents that -

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2 only helps trigger asthma, but helps 3 cause asthma. And in a community like 4 this, even small increases in PM2.5, 5 and I'm not so sure this is even going 6 to be a small increase, but even small 7 increases can really make a difference 8 in people's lives. 9 And another concern that we 10 have is the question of offsets; we're 11 already -- we -- you -- your agency is 12 -- is -- is in the processing of 13 granting a permit expansion already to 14 Waste Management's facility in Port 15 Morris/Mott Haven and our question to 16 you is: If you want to open this 17 marine transfer station and you're 18 already expanding the permit through a 19 waste transfer station that -- that --20 the land-based station that already 21 processes a lot of the Bronx garbage, 22 you know, what is that excess capacity 23 there going to be used for and if a 24 marine transfer station opens in the 25 Bronx, are we going to see offsets?

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2	Are we going to see capacity closed?	2	the street from a portion of the meat
3	And where would that capacity close?	3	market and it just seems to us that the
4	And we just want to say that	4	notion that such a huge garbage
5	unless we really see, you know, a waste	5	transfer station will be sited so close
6	reduction, a waste minimization plan,	6	to our food distribution center, which
7	unless we see equitable distribution	7	is the largest in the nation, is
8	around the City, then we're going to go	8	incomprehensible. I mean, that that
9	along with what a leader of the popular	9	that mixture of proximity of food
10	horses of the Spanish Civil War said	10	processing and garbage processing is
11	which was "no pasaran," we will we	11	really I think is detrimental to the
12	will not pass (applause.)	12	community.
13	MR.SZARPANSKI: Thank you for	13	And this community already has
14	your comments. Our next speaker is	14	its fair share of noxious and polluting
15	John Robert.	15	facilities; we have, like Marian
16	MR. JOHN ROBERT: Thank you.	16	mentioned already, a huge waste
17	Okay, thank you. My name is John	17	transfer facility, marine facility;
18	Robert, I'm district manager of	18	right off you have a developing plan,
19	Community Board 2 and it represents	19	we have a waste containerization plan;
20	Hunts Point.	20	we have over a dozen waste water
21	There are a few things that I	21	transfer stations, and of course, the
22	really wanted to say, particularly,	22	key issue, thousands and thousands and
23	first of all, I just had to mention the	23	thousands of trucks coming into the
24	lack of, I guess outreach from the	24	community.
25	Department of Sanitation; I wasn't	25	And I just, again, I want to

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2 informed about this meeting, at least 3 my personal experience, until -- since 4 last Thursday. And it was through Resa 5 when she announced it at the SWAB 6 meeting and a representative told me 7 about it. So as a result, we haven't 8 had time to really prepare comments. 9 So what I have is sort of impromptu. 10 Firstly, I want to thank Resa 11 and Marian for their comments, I 12 thought it was very helpful. Basically 13 the community board approves, is in --14 goes along with the concept of 15 operating the MTSs, but we have a great 16 concern about its proposed Hunts Point 17 location. 18 Like everything else I think in 19 business it's location, location, 20 location. I'm sure you're aware I 21 guess, I'm sure you are, that the site 22 of the MTS location literally shares a 23 fence with the new Fulton Fish Market 24 and they're right close to the Fulton 25 Fish Market, they're directly across

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2 reiterate what Marian said and Resa 3 said and I think it was excellent, in 4 particular about the issue about the 5 alternative siting. I think it's very 6 important to look at other alternative 7 sites, not just the ones in the South 8 Bronx. The ones that you propose, we 9 have one proposed for Hunts Point and 10 we have two proposed for -- for Port 11 Morris and they're all over the South 12 Bronx and we think that in fairness, 13 you should look at other sites. 14 And I'm sorry that I -- my 15 comments were not written, but I will 16 write them and I'll send them in. 17 Thank you very much (applause.) MR. SZARPANSKI: Thank you. Is 18 19 Diana Guerrero here? MS. DIANA GUERRERO: Good 20 21 evening, my name is Diana Guerrero and 22 I'm resident of this community. I also 23 work in Williamsburg and Greenpoint and 24 communities very over burdened by 25 transfer stations and their truck

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2	traffic. I've lived in this	2	I urge you to call all the
3	neighborhood for most of my short life,	3	superintendents and tenants of this
4	yes.	4	neighborhood and tell them that the
5	This community is also home to	5	noise, smell and burning that effect
6	my family, many of my friends and a	6	their ears, throats and noses are not
7		7	effected by transfer stations and their
8	are harmless.	8	truck traffic.
9	I've taken the time out of my	9	I urge you to consider the
10	schedule, I'm supposed to be in class	10	amount of truck traffic already here
11	right now, I took the day off to let	11	·····
12	you know how disappointed I am of your	12	
13	study and your utter lack of	13	
14	sensitivity and respect of the people	14	stations will not negatively impact us.
15	in this neighborhood.	15	I urge you to tell Mr. Vargas'
16	I hope I speak for everyone	16	family that another child may meet the
17	here when I feel you've insulted our	17	······································
18	collective intelligence and you've been		a transfer station haul truck that may
19	consistent with overlooking the	19	be driving down on Spofford Avenue like
20	socioeconomic as well as the mental,	20	I saw three days ago and then tell them
	physiological and psychological effects	21	that transfer stations and their truck
	of land-base transfer stations and		traffic have no impact on this
23	their transfer and their truck	23	community.
	traffic.	24	I hope you'll find yourselves
25	Look around and you'll see	25	unable to do this and instead
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2	clearly the disappointment and anger	2	re-consider your plan and abide by the
3	here in every empty chair (indicating.)	3	Mayor's plan; this will, along with
4	Many of us don't feel we have to come	4	efforts to reduce waste altogether,
5	here and beg you for the right to	5	prove to be the best decision made for
6	breathe. We don't feel that we have to	6	the committee and others across the
7	explain to you, obviously educated	7	city who live with this. And maybe the
8	individuals, that the burdens of our	8	beginning of DSNY regaining the faith
9	community already faces, but most of	-	
		9	they've lost from this from these
10	all, this community is tired, tired of	9 10	they've lost from this from these people. Thank you (applause.)
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25 truck traffic.

24 I also want to let you know

25 that we're not just an industrial area,

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	we are a residential area, people live here.	2	at times, my mother cannot my mother used to have asthma bad, and it
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_	The trucks and the pollution in	4	disappeared because she started to get
	this area is amazing. I mean, if you	5	the symptoms, it startin' to occur
	go Downtown it's so much better to	6	again. I have a nephew that was born
_	breathe. I mean, not so long ago I was	7	
8	down at City Hall and I noticed the	8	healthily, nothing at all. Now, like
9	difference in air. And when I came		recently, my sister took him to the
10	back here, I felt my chest tighten up		doctor because he had problems
11	and I noticed how hard it is to breathe	11	breathing, and they diagnosed him with
12	down here. I mean, people don't	12	asthma, okay. And he's on a high dose
13	realize that because they just think	13	of medication and he's only a year old,
14	whatever, it's Hunts Point we're not	14	okay.
15	educated enough to know the difference	15	It effects not only us
16	in the quality of air in our area.	16	physically, but emotionally when we
17	I believe that if other	17	have to deal in seeing your family
18	communities get involved, I understand	18	members get all types of aliments, sick
19	that it's not easy to have trucks	19	not able to breathe, people that are
20	coming in and out of your area, but if	20	strong; my uncle just moved into my
21	we want to get the community, maybe	21	house recently, okay, and he has
22	then it's possible that the amount of	22	asthma. And it's crazy, ridiculous,
23	trucks coming into our area is	23	like all we actually like instead of
24	decreased which will make it easier for	24	him recuperating from what he was, it's
25	our children to breathe. That's why	25	worsening, you understand I'm saying?
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-	it's better for us to open up these	2	So I'm it's like I have
3		3	I'm going to say so much, but it
_	how each day there are more trucks	4	effects me greatly because to see my
5	coming in and out of the Bronx,	5	family go through these changes
	especially now that we have over 11,000	6	health-wise, it not only effects me
	trucks coming in and we need that to		emotionally but it effects me mentally,
8	decrease and we can help and in	8	and it's just so much.
9	cooperation and in understanding that	9	And to see people not taken
10	we need to breathe. Thank you	10	into consideration to what's going on
11	(applause.)	11	because it's not happening in their
12	MR.SZARPANSKI: Thank you for	12	neighborhoods, it's not effecting their
13	your comments. Is Nersa Barrios back?	13	families and it's all about the dollar;
14	Barrios?	14	your understand what I'm saying? I
15	We'll move on to the next	15	don't know if you understand or really
16	speaker, Inez DeJesus Willoubey.	16	care, but I it's obvious that we

- ez DeJesus Willoubey. aker, J MS. INEZ DEJESUS WILLOUBEY: 17 18 How you guys do, actually taking off 19 the microphone. Okay, basically,
- 20 that's (adjusting mic) all right, thank 21 you.
- 22 Okay, I'm a resident of the --23 in the community. I live on Bryant and 24 Randall, actually very close to the 25 factories. The stench is so horrific;

17 care and we're concerned. 18 And the trucks that pass by, 19 they're not only dumping and even 20 leaving garbage and waste in the area 21 that they're supposed to, supposed to 22 put them in, but they're leaving it 23 near the schools. My daughter attends I.S. 201, 24 25 and my mother witnessed two trucks not

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	from this area, dump large amounts of		submit comments in writing; those of
3	garbage and waste in the school parking	3	
4	lot. Okay, so tell me how does that	4	here who did sign up and we can get
5	take into consideration, because you	5	those comments in writing.
6	guys are not witnessing everything that	6	There are copies of my
7	your drivers are doing or what they're	7	presentation, both my power point
8	doing, it's because they don't care,		presentation and my opening remarks at
و	because it's not where they live.	9	the table outside of the door here and
10	Okay, so we're not even, how	10	if there are no other comments, thank
11	can I say, how can I explain, I'm so	11	you all for coming (applause.)
12	emotional right now because it's like	12	(Time noted 7:26 p.m.)
13	it's like we're coming to you	13	
14	begging you practically, you know, and	14	
15	it takes it takes people a lot to	15	
16	come down, to come down here to even	16	
17	voice their opinion, to come down and	17	
18	go through this to even get you, point	18	
19	you guys away from where you came from,	19	
20	to come down here so you can hear, so	20	
21	you can understand our plight, okay	21	
22	we're not just whining and complaining	22	
23	and just, it's just another just	23	
24	another, what you call, a yellow story	24	
25	as you would say, you understand, we're	25	
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