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Ms. Nancy J. Brighton Chief, Watershed Section Environmental Analysis Branch, Planning Division U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2151 New York, NY 10279

Dear Ms. Brighton:

I write to express a number of requests regarding the Scoping Comment Period for proposals to create barriers against storm surge in New York City harbor and how the barriers might impact the Hudson River, which borders my Assembly District.

The 40-day comment period does not provide enough time for independent experts to review and respond to the proposals.

I have four requests:

- Provide 120 days for the scoping comment period;
- Provide more information on the proposals;
- Require a full Environmental Impact Statement and a National Environmental Policy review;
- Set a public hearing in the Lower Hudson Valley on the proposals.

Please get back to me on these requests.

Sincerely,

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James Skoufis Member of Assembly