

January 24, 2017

Vincent Sapienza, Acting Commissioner
New York City Department of Environmental Protection
59-17 Junction Boulevard
Flushing, NY 11373

Re: Oakwood Beach Waste Water Treatment Plant
Port Richmond Waste Water Treatment Plant

Dear Acting Commissioner Sapienza.

I hope this letter finds you well.

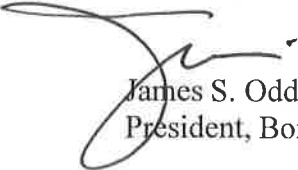
I am writing to ask you to provide me with comprehensive data on the overall performance and functionality - including specifics on the remaining capacity - of the above referenced treatment plants.

As you know, Staten Island is in the nascent stages of a development boom unequaled in the history of the borough, with nearly \$2 billion in private investment on the North Shore "Core Four" corridor. Moreover, the de Blasio administration has made it clear their affordable housing plan is a five-borough proposal, so we have encouraged them to look to the Bay Street corridor. While there are differing opinions on height and the overall number of units, any discussion about an increase of residential density should first start with a conversation about infrastructure, including DEP's network and facilities.

I know, through research, the listed capacity for the plants, but what I do not know is how much of that capacity is being used, and how much remains to accommodate the expected residential and commercial expansion within the borough.

Thank you for your kind attention, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,


James S. Oddo
President, Borough of Staten Island

