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Ms. Emma Berenblit
New York City Department of Transportation
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40 Worth Street, 9th Floor south
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Re: **Revocable Consent**
Port Authority Bus Terminal
Installation of Sidewalk Bollards

Dear Ms. Berenbit,

Manhattan Community Board 4 has reviewed the proposed Revocable Consent for the installation of sidewalk bollards around the perimeter of the Port Authority Bus Terminal (PABT) to enhance the security as submitted the Board by The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) and the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT)

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) has proposed to install steel bollards around its perimeter specifically:

- on West 41st and 40th Streets between Eighth and Ninth Avenues
- on the west side of Eighth Avenue between 40th and 42nd Streets
- on West 42nd Street between Eighth Avenue to the PABT's western boundary

Manhattan Community Board 4 approves installation of the steel bollards of the design presented to the Board on May 16, 2007 on the locations listed above under the following conditions:

- bollards of the same design be installed along 9th Avenue between West 40th and 41st Streets as part of this project
- the PANYNJ delay installation of bollards at the northeast corner of West 41st Street and 9th Avenue between the PABT bus exit and 9th Avenue at the present time to ascertain whether the bollard installation presents a timely opportunity to widen and

landscape sidewalk at that location as the community has envisioned in its 9th Avenue Renaissance Plan.

Such a sidewalk widening would be consistent with the Mayor's PlaNYC to green the city and promote pedestrian safety by extending the sidewalk to meet the actual street alignment of West 41st Street on the west side of 9th Avenue. It is our understanding that such an evaluation will take less than two months and would not delay the overall project since this section is 70 feet in length, less that 3 % of the total perimeter of bollards. We would appreciate an expedited discussion with PANYNJ and DOT meet with Manhattan Community Board #4 to address this matter.

Sincerely,



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