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Re: MTA New York City Transit Canarsie Tunnel Project (Temporary Passenger Ferry Service), Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mr. Goodman:

We have completed our consultation under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) in response to your letter received August 16, 2018, regarding the above-referenced proposed project. We reviewed your consultation request document and related materials. Based on our knowledge and expertise, we concur with your conclusion that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect any National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) ESA-listed species or designated critical habitat. Therefore, no further consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA is required.

Reinitiation of consultation is required and shall be requested by the Federal agency or by us, where discretionary Federal involvement or control over the action has been retained or is authorized by law and: (a) If new information reveals effects of the action that may affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not previously considered in the consultation; (b) If the identified action is subsequently modified in a manner that causes an effect to the listed species or critical habitat that was not considered in this consultation; or (c) If a new species is listed or critical habitat designated that may be affected by the identified action. No take is anticipated or exempted. If there is any incidental take of a listed species, reinitiation would be required. Should you have any questions about this correspondence please contact Edith Carson-Supino at (978) 282-8490 or by email (Edith.Carson@noaa.gov). For questions related to Essential Fish Habitat, please contact Ursula Howson with our Habitat Conservation Division at 732-872-3116 or Ursula.Howson@noaa.gov.

Sincerely,

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for Protected Resources

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