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September 24, 2008

The Honorable Mayor Thomas F. Kelaher
Mayor of Toms River Township
33 Washington Street
PO Box 728
Toms River, NJ 08754-0728

Re: Toms River Township Plan Endorsement – Request for Extension of Action Plan Deadlines

Dear Mayor Kelaher:

The Office of Smart Growth (OSG) is in receipt of your request for a six-month extension for Toms River to complete its Plan Endorsement Action Plan and consequently resolve any inconsistencies between its petition for Plan Endorsement and the State Development and Redevelopment Plan (State Plan). At this time, OSG feels it most appropriate to present the matter to the Plan Implementation Committee (PIC) of the State Planning Commission (SPC).

At the PIC's October 22, 2008 meeting, OSG will present a status update on Toms River's petition for Plan Endorsement. A representative of the Township will have the opportunity to speak and explain the need for a fourth Action Plan extension. The PIC will then make a recommendation to the SPC, which we anticipate they will consider at their next regularly scheduled meeting (December 3). Again, a Township representative will have the opportunity to speak to the Commission at the meeting.

Thank you for your commitment to pursuing Plan Endorsement. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Leigh Jones, Planner for Toms River Township within OSG, at (609) 633-6119 or via email at Leigh.Jones@dca.state.nj.us.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Spinelli
Executive Director

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