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October 26, 2006

The Honorable Richard Palumbo Mayor of Upper Township P.O. Box 205 Tuckahoe, NJ 08250

Re: Upper Township Petition for Initial Plan Endorsement

Extension of time to complete Action Plan Items

Dear Mayor Palumbo:

I would like to commend Upper Township for working diligently towards its goal of achieving Initial Plan Endorsement by March 15, 2007 and towards completion of the items in the agreed-upon six-month Action Plan by October 26, 2006.

Towards that end, I have received your request for an extension of time to complete the items in Action Plan that must be completed in order for the Office of Smart Growth to be able to make a recommendation of consistency on the Township's petition with the State Plan to the State Planning Commission.

After review of this request, I have determined that this is appropriate and acceptable. The Township will not be determined to have defaulted in its obligations under the approved Memorandum of Understanding by virtue of this extension. The Office of Smart Growth, therefore, expects that the remaining action plan items will be completed by November 30, 2006.

Thank you for commitment to pursuing Plan Endorsement. Please feel free to contact Jung Kim, Area Planner for Cape May County, with any questions or concerns at 609-633-6139 or via email at ikim@dca.state.nj.us.

Sincerely,

Eileen Swan

Executive Director

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