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Via email and regular mail

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Chief Administrative Law Judge
New York State Department of Environmental
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Office of Hearings and Mediation Services
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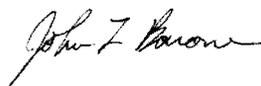
Re: Matter of Finger Lakes LPG Storage, LLC Application for an Underground Gas Storage
Permit pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law Article 23, Title 13
DEC Application No. 8-4432-00085

Dear ALJ McClymonds:

Based upon testimony and documentation provided on behalf of the Finger Lakes Wine Business Coalition ("FLXWBC") and others during the Issues Conference held on February 12 and 13, 2015, together with the information submitted as part of the Petition for Amicus Status filed by the FLXWBC on January 16, 2015, the FLXWBC maintains that we have met the requirements for Amicus Status in the above-referenced proceeding in accordance with 6 NYCRR §§624.5(b)(1) and 624.5(b)(3). The FLXWBC requested the limited role as a potential Amicus in part due to the substantial legal and expert costs involved with participating as a party in the above-referenced proceedings. Likewise, the FLXWBC must opt to avoid the heavy costs associated with post-issues conference briefing.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Very truly yours,



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