August 26, 2015

Peter Sanderson, Project Director
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NYS Thruway Authority
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RE: The New NY Bridge – DEC Permit 3-9903-00043/00012
Permit Modification / Stage 1 Dredging

Dear Mr. Sanderson:

This responds to the August 20, 2015 email request from Ms. Christine Edwards to modify the subject permit to authorize additional dredging activities in the project’s Stage 1 East Area. The Department has reviewed the material contained in the August 17, 2015 letter from Tappan Zee Constructors, and the August 20, 2015 email from Ms. Edwards.

The proposed modification will enlarge the area and volume to be dredged in the Stage 1 East Area Access Channel. The area to be dredged and extended is 0.15 acres and requires the removal of approximately 1,440 cubic yards. Of this approximately 620 cubic yards is associated with extending the eastward limit of the temporary access channel by approximately 60 feet.

Dredging is intended to improve access for lifting operations to place structural steel between _______ of the New NY Bridge. The Department has determined that these modifications are consistent with the project’s Final Environmental Impact Statement and the Department’s State Environmental Quality Review Findings for the bridge permit.

Accordingly, the subject permit is hereby modified to allow the proposed changes, as described in the August 20, 2015 email and its attachments.
The approved work must comply with the Department’s permit for the project and its conditions and requirements. Of particular relevance are conditions for Dredging (conditions 19-35); and Water Quality Monitoring (59-64); and the plans approved thereunder by the Department, including all revisions.

As a reminder, Permit Condition 21 requires that dredged material management activities carried out in New York State require the separate Department approvals before dredging starts.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Chief Permit Administrator

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