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Honorable Roy M. Goodman
270 Broadway, Suite 2400
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Honorable John Ravitz
251 East 77th Street, #LL
New York, NY 10021

Dear Senator ^{Roy} Goodman:

Dear Assemblyman ^{John} Ravitz:

We have recently received a low bid for the 48th Street Ramp reconstruction. The low bidder was the DeFoe Construction Company, with a bid of \$10.178 million and is on target with our budget for the project.

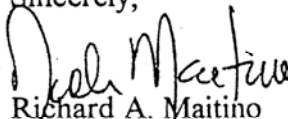
You will be happy to know that DeFoe is the contractor who recently achieved all incentives offered by the Department for the re-construction of the Prospect Expressway.

They are an excellent contractor. In addition the contract has substantial incentives for early completion. Current estimate is approximately 10 months. Additional incentives are available to encourage them to finish even earlier.

As you will recall we also committed to using incentives to reduce the time involved in pile driving, which we expect to be a noisy operations. Through our incentive the contractor has reduced this period from approximately 8 weeks down to 2 1/2 weeks.

DeFoe has already met with representatives of the Department and is working with us to minimize impacts from night work. It is encouraging to work with a contractor who understands the sensitivity of this project. We look forward to sharing this information with the community at the February 12, 1998 Community Board meeting. As always, please call if you wish to discuss this project further.

Sincerely,


Richard A. Maitino
Regional Director