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Steve Napolitano General Manager New York Port Authority 1 Madison Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10010

Dear Mr. Napolitano.

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) has received formal complaints from residents of the new large residential building that overlooks the Lincoln Tunnel entrance at 38<sup>th</sup> Street, close to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The constant fracas of trucks emerging at high speed from the south tube on the badly damaged pavement keeps them awake the whole night. We are requesting your help in resolving that situation as soon as feasible.

Last year, you were gracious enough to repave Dyer Avenue in response to residents' complaints. This new building has more than 200 apartments of which the bedroom window overlooks the Lincoln Tunnel south tube. Even though the brand new windows have double pane glass, the banging noises are extraordinary loud as they reverberate on the tunnel entrance's high walls. As you know the volume of round the clock construction in Manhattan generates an uninterrupted flow of truck traffic at night.

It is also apparent that the trucks travel at excessive speed when they arrive to New York causing them to bottom out and damage the road. We'd like to suggest that speed strips inside the tunnel just before arriving in New York would increase the life of the pavement and reduce the noise outside.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. Please let us know of your plans as soon as feasible as our neighbors' lives are seriously impaired.

Sincerely,

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