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Borough Commissioner Margaret Forgione Department of Transportation 40 Worth Street, 11th Floor New York, NY 10013

Re: Truck Route Study

Dear Commissioner Forgione,

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 is pleased to hear that the long-awaited Truck Route Study is nearing completion and will be released this spring. A comprehensive look at the severe traffic implications of the rapidly increasing number of trucks in Manhattan and creative ideas that promote both vital businesses (industrial and retail) and pedestrian-friendly streets are much needed.

Community Board No. 4, which includes the Lincoln Tunnel and is a gateway to the Midtown business area is severely affected and has several areas of specific concern. We are concerned we have not met with DOT or your consultants thus far and would request a meeting in advance of the release of the study.

Again, we are excited that the long-delayed study is near release and look forward to active discussions with DOT on truck routes and usage in our neighborhoods.

Sincerely yours,

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