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EELC Letter

Attachments: Letter to Commissioners on Public Hearing location.pdf

Pete,

Per your request, attached is the EELC letter that we received yesterday.

Best, Stacey



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Chairman Mark Lohbauer and Commissioners **Pinelands Commission** PO 8ox 359 15 Springfield Road New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064 Phone: (609) 894-7300 Fax: (609) 894-7330

December 5, 2013

Dear Chairman Lohbauer and Commissioners:

It has come to my attention that the Pinelands Commission is not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.3(b)(3), due to the fact that a public meeting announcement issued on November 27 lists the incorrect location address for a public hearing to be held on December 9, 2013 on the proposed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Pinelands Commission and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

While the correct address, Galloway Township Municipal Building 300 E. Jimmy Leeds Road Galloway, NJ 08205, has been updated on the Pinelands Commission website as of December 5, this does not bring the Commission in compliance with N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.3(b)(3), which requires a minimum of 10 days notice of the time, date, and location of a public hearing.

Due to this violation the Pinelands Commission should schedule additional hearings providing at least 10 days notice of the correct time, date, and location to insure that the regulatory requirements are met and provide opportunity for robust public participation in the matter. A previous letter, submitted by concerned groups on Dec. 3, detailed additional reasons the Pinelands Commission's public participation process for this matter is inadequate. You can find the text of the Dec 3 letter here: http://documents.foodandwaterwatch.org/doc/Public Participation Letter to Commission.pdf

In order to comply with the Pinelands Commission's regulatory requirements and the purpose of including public participation, I respectfully request the Pinelands Commission schedule an additional public hearing providing at least 30 days notice including the correct, time, date, and location.

Sincerely,

Alice Baker Staff Attorney

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