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Mr. U.C. Hirschey and Mr. R. H. Macsherry
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Dear Mr. Hirschey and Mr. Macsherry,

On behalf of Katrina Landis and the BP Wind Energy team, I wanted to let you know we have received your letter dated October 30, 2012.

I want to express our appreciation to the Board for taking the time to follow-up on BP's plans to develop the Cape Vincent Wind Farm. We know that some in the community have concerns about this project. Therefore, we look forward to exploring resolution of these issues where possible. We are committed to further engagement and dialogue with the Board and community groups in Cape Vincent and throughout Jefferson County as we move through the Article 10 state permitting process.

This project will provide significant benefits to the Town and the community in an environmentally and socially responsible manner. As we have discussed with the Board, once built this wind project will provide significant funds to local governments for the improvement of schools, roads and other local infrastructure.

In addition to funds aiding local government priorities, annual royalty payments in excess of \$1 million will be paid to local landowners once the wind farm is in commercial operation. This income will enable landowners to supplement their income and remain stewards of their land.

Furthermore, this project will provide an immediate boost to the local economy as approximately 250-300 workers, hired locally where possible, would increase the demand for local goods and services. In the long term, up to 15 permanent jobs would be created to monitor and maintain the wind facility when it moves into full commercial operation.

We look forward to continuing our dialogue with you and others in the community and working with all Cape Vincent stakeholders to bring renewable power, jobs and economic development to the region and the state of New York.

Yours sincerely,



Larry Folks

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