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May 22, 2007

The Honorable Paul C. Brush  
Mayor of Toms River Township  
33 Washington Street  
PO Box 728  
Toms River, NJ 08754-0728

**Re: Toms River Township Petition for Initial Plan Endorsement  
Extension for Action Plan**

Dear Mayor Brush:

I would like to commend Toms River Township for working diligently towards the goal of achieving Initial Plan Endorsement. OSG and the Township have been discussing an extension regarding the Action Plan for some time. The Draft Action Plan that was sent to the Township in early May for a two-month extension is attached hereto. Since the attached Action Plan has not been approved by the Township to-date, and since the Township's current Action Plan is set to expire on May 24, 2007, I would like to provide the Township with an extension of six (6) months to the Action Plan phase, thereby extending the deadline to November 26, 2007. The Township is welcome to complete items sooner than this time period and the Action Plan timetables may be adjusted accordingly.

OSG acknowledges that the Township has provided a number of plan updates and narrative statements as part of the Action Plan requirements. However, consistency issues remain with regard to the center boundaries, center concepts, transportation, protection of natural resources and other matters. Therefore, we hope to continue to work with the Township to refine these items to become consistent with the State Plan.

Again, I would like to reiterate that our goal with the Action Plan is to lead the Township down a successful path to achieve Plan Endorsement and the benefits that accompany that designation. Thank you for commitment to pursuing Plan Endorsement. Please feel free to contact Jung Kim, Principal Planner for Ocean County, with any questions or concerns at 609-633-6139 or via email at [jkim@dca.state.nj.us](mailto:jkim@dca.state.nj.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Benjamin L. Spinelli".

Ben Spinelli  
Acting Executive Director

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