Exhibit 45



John W. Caffry

Co-Chair

From: To: CC: Date: Subject: Attachments:	"John Caffry" <jcaffry@caffrylawoffice.com> msgerstm@gw.dec.state.ny.us jwtighe@gw.dec.state.ny.us; kmmoser@gw.dec.state.ny.us; krhamm@gw.dec.st 6/5/2012 5:21 PM NYCO image003.png</jcaffry@caffrylawoffice.com>
Dear Marc:	
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Sincerely,	

Conservation Advocacy Committee

Protect the Adirondacks! Inc.

From: Robert Davies

To: Caffry, John <jcaffry@caffrylawoffice.com>; Gerstman, Marc <msgerstm@gw.... krhamm@gw.dec.state.ny.us <krhamm@gw.dec.state.ny.us>; jwtighe@gw.dec.st...

Date: 6/5/2012 6:08 PM

Subject: Re: NYCO

Thank you John for passing this information along. Please feel free to contact DEC should you have any additional questions regarding this matter.

Rob

>>> "John Caffry" <jcaffry@caffrylawoffice.com> 6/5/2012 5:21:22 PM >>>

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From: Kenneth Hamm
To: Caffry, John
Date: 6/6/2012 9:12 AM
Subject: Re: NYCO

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