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Via fax

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RE: Village of Kiryas Joel's Annexation DGEIS

On behalf of the members of the Greater Cornwall Chamber of Commerce, please be advised that the Chamber of Commerce has serious issues with the Village of KJ's annexation permit process. There are significant and substantive issues that must be addressed resulting from my previous letter to the DEC.

The Chamber is against any recent proposals or a request for reinstatement of the permit set forth by the Village of KJ in respect to construction of the water pipeline, its request to using the Mountainville wells and any proposal for water supply expansion, as well as its request for annexation of land from the Town of Monroe to the Village of Kiryas Joel.

We, as the Chamber, take great pride in our growing membership of local businesses and we believe this annexation permit is not in the overall best interests of greater Cornwall or its surrounding communities.

We believe the aquifer test conducted by KJ consultants is inadequate for determination of impacts to water dependent natural resources, our local farms, our tourism, our rivers and streams, the Moodna Creek Watershed and, most importantly, our own plans for our current needs for our water supply to our residents.

The Chamber has requested that Kiryas Joel, as SEQRA lead agency in this annexation process, address all concerns and issues brought up previously by the DEC's Legislative Hearing in 2014, address all environmental concerns listed above, and withdraw any petition for annexation until a new, full, environmental review of the water supply expansion be submitted.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Massimi". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Richard Massimi
President
Greater Cornwall Chamber of Commerce