Greenway
Ecological Standing Committee

NY State Department of Environmental Conservation
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Niagara Relicensing Environmental Coalition
Tuscarora Nation
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Seneca Nation of Indians
New York Power Authority

March 29, 2013

Dr. Kevin Kapuscinski
Mr. Derek Crane
SUNY ESF, Department of Environmental and Forest Biology
1 Forestry Drive
Syracuse, New York 13210

Dear Dr. Kapuscinski and Mr. Crane:

I am pleased to inform you that the Niagara Greenway Ecological Standing Committee (GESC) has approved funding for SUNY-ESF's proposal, "*Quantifying Relationships Between Fish Assemblages and Nearshore Habitat Characteristics of the Niagara River*." The committee expects your project to provide further significant contributions to the ecological understanding and conservation of Niagara. The total funding amount approved is $801,436.

This letter hereby awards $219,069 for work in 2013 and a check for that amount is enclosed. You are authorized to begin expending funds for the purposes of this project as described in your above referenced proposal. Since this is a multi-year project, the GESC also requests that you provide a progress report and meet with the committee annually at the end of each year. Pending satisfactory progress in achieving program goals, funding for subsequent years will be released.

Please feel free to contact me at 716-851-7010 if you have any questions.

Yours truly in the Ecological Conservation of Niagara,

FOR TDeP

Tim DePriest
Chair, Niagara Greenway Ecological Standing Committee

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Enclosure

Cc: Mr. Steve Schoenwiesner, GESC Secretary
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