WESTCHESTER COUNTY FAIR AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IMPLEMENTATION PLAN August 9, 2010

<u>Appendix D-2(i):</u> Letter of July 30, 3010 to James E. Johnson RE: Discretionary Funding



Robert P. Astorino County Executive

July 30, 2010

James E. Johnson, Esq. Debevoise & Plimpton, LLP 919 Third Avenue New York, NY 10022

Re: United States ex rel Anti-Discrimination Center of Metro New York, Inc. v. Westchester County, New York

Dear Jim:

In your July 7th letter to the County Executive, in which you commented on the County's revised Implementation Plan of March 12, 2010, you requested that the County provide a list of all of the types of funding or other assistance that flow from the County to municipalities. You further requested that the list differentiate between discretionary and mandatory funding, and provide the legal basis for mandatory funding.

Attached hereto is a list responsive to your request. We believe it is complete, but if we become aware of additional responsive information, we will supplement the list at that time.

Sincerely yo<u>urs,</u>

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<u>LIST OF FUNDING OR ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES</u> (7/30/10)

I. Mandatory

- 1) Sales Tax Distribution NY Tax Law §1262-b
- 2) Mortgage Tax Distribution NY Tax Law §261(3)
- 3) Senior Citizen Programs services mandated by funding source
 - a) 3B Transportation
 - b) 3C1 Nutritional
 - c) 3C2 Nutritional
 - d) SNAP Senior Nutritional Assistance Program
 - e) CSE Community Services for Elderly
- 4) Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (only Yonkers, Mt. Vernon and New Rochelle)
- 5) Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) for local police

II. <u>Discretionary</u>

- 1) Legacy Program
- 2) Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF)
- 3) New Homes and Land Acquisition

III. Some discretion subject to conditions and requirements established other than by the County of Westchester

- 1) Community Development Block grant (CDBG)
- 2) East of Hudson Fund under the NYC Watershed Agreement

IV. Other

- 1) Prisoner Transportation Agreements County responsibility
- 2) Snow and Ice Agreements County responsibility
- STOP DWI program coordinates joint enforcement activities and reimburses municipalities for added DWI patrols and sobriety checkpoints
- 4) Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program. Overtime reimbursement for local police. Federal money administered through State. County is mandated to coordinate communication and exercises with local police.
- 5) Secure the Cities Training Overtime reimbursement for local police. Federal money disbursed through New York City. County mandated to conduct exercises and train local municipal departments.