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STATEMENTS OF DENNIS MEHIEL AND SHARI HYMAN ON MS. HYMAN'S DEPARTURE FROM THE BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY

BPCA President & Chief Operating Officer Shari C. Hyman will be departing at month's end. She joined the agency in January 2014.

Statement of BPCA Chairman Dennis Mehiel

Answers to the simplest of questions are sometimes the most telling. Is Battery Park City better off now than it was four years ago? The answer must be a resounding yes. Record amounts of new, free, high-quality community programming; a range of vital capital projects completed on-time and on-budget; ever-improving relations with the community at large; better than ever parks and public spaces; a "AAA" bond rating and reduced overall budget; and an inclusive approach to comprehensive resiliency planning to protect this great neighborhood for the next generation and beyond. In short, Battery Park City has thrived as a result of Shari's efforts. What's more, as great leaders do, Shari assembled a first-class team of professionals who run the day-to-day operations of the Authority with passion and expertise, equipping it well to continue the accomplished path she forged. The Battery Park City Authority and its Board will forever be grateful for the considerable talent, professionalism, and competency Shari brought to bear in service to the public. We wish her only the best, secure in the knowledge that she will bring the same professionalism, sense of urgency, and extraordinary leadership skills to her future endeavors.

Statement of Shari C. Hyman

For the last four years, I have had the privilege to serve as President and COO of the Battery Park City Authority. This role has been a source of tremendous professional and personal pride. I am deeply grateful to Governor Cuomo and Chairman Dennis Mehiel for entrusting me with this position and allowing me to serve in this capacity. In all the time since I began my tenure, I've kept in mind how lucky I am – how lucky we all are – to be part of this wonderful waterfront neighborhood – truly the best small town in NYC. And while leaving is bittersweet, I know that Battery Park City is a place like no other: a magnificent place to live, to work, to raise a family; a place set apart from the downtown crowds, yet perfectly integrated with lower Manhattan; a place that is well-managed, fiscally sound, financially prudent; and a place firmly positioned to meet the coming challenges of climate change with coordination and expertise. I thank the Governor, the Chairman, the Board, all our incredible staff, and the entire Battery Park City Community for the privilege of serving. The honor has been all mine.