

February 6, 2002

Regulatory Branch

SUBJECT: Millennium Pipeline Company, Department of the Army
Application Nos. 97-320-0003(2), 1999-00640, 199701186

Mr. Daniel Montella
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Dear Mr. Montella:

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to a meeting scheduled for February 13, 2002 at the Troy Field Office at 11 am to discuss the review of the Millennium Pipeline proposal.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss remaining issues that the federal agencies have with the project.

I am also requesting a written update on your agency's review of the project, and for the status of your agency's elevation in accordance with the Section 404(q) Memorandum of Agreement. Based upon USEPA's letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission dated December 7, 2001, your agency does not object to the issuance of a 404 permit authorizing the project provided Millennium adequately mitigates for wetland impacts. This was also confirmed in a telephone conversation between Heidi Firstencel and John Cantilli on February 4, 2002. Enclosed is a copy of the mitigation plan proposed by Millennium for your review.

We anticipate receiving your comments on this matter in the near future. Questions pertaining to this matter should be directed to me at (315) 255-8090, by writing to the following address: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 7413 County House Road, Auburn, New York 13021, or by e-mail at:
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Sincerely,

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