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**RE: Walmart Supercenter Project
County Highway 128 & State Route 30A
City of Gloversville, Fulton County**

Dear Mr. Geraghty:

We have reviewed the conceptual plans and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the subject project. We offer the following comments at this time:

- We have some concerns with the proposed geometry shown in the conceptual plans. The proposed entrance appears to be rather steep and may not be in conformance with the local roads standards. The proposed traffic signal, within the internal area of the retail complex, is in close proximity to the Route 30A and South Kingsboro Avenue intersection; the previous analysis show a differing layout of these two intersections.
- Please consider all the points made by Steve Munson (NYSDOT, Statewide Planning Bureau) in his previous submittal concerning this project and corridor.
- The existing traffic signal at Route 30A and South Kingsboro Avenue is beyond it's useful service life and replacement may be required if any alterations are proposed for this signal. A roundabout design alternative will be required if replacement is deemed necessary.
- The Department will review the drainage plan, upon submittal; the site predominately drains toward the State highway.
- The original Break-in-Access request (dated January, 2005) did not include the conceptual plan as an alternative. The Break-in-Access request must be revised, analyzing the conceptual plan as an alternative within the Traffic Impact Study.

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- The Department find the following traffic counts for this segment of Route 30 A (2006 counts): Northbound AADT – 7400, Southbound AADT – 7200
- The developer must incorporate all feasible alternatives to allow for pedestrian traffic to the development from adjacent neighborhoods and internally.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (315) 793-2356.

Sincerely,



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