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April 11, 2014

NYSERDA Director of WVDP Paul Bembia 9030-b Route 219 West Valley, NY 14171

Dear Mr. Bembia:

Enclosed please find Resolution #12 regarding the restoring of funding for the West Valley Demonstration Project, which was passed by the Persia Town Board on April 10, 2014.

Very truly yours,

DENISE M. TRUMPORE

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Town Clerk Town of Perisa



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**RESOLUTION #12** For the Department of Energy to restore funding to West Valley Demonstration Project to \$75 million.

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

The following was

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Walgus, Dingman, Boats, Tomaszewski, Schueler

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## RESOLVED

**WHEREAS**, the Presidents 2015 Federal budget request included only 60.5 million for the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP), and

WHEREAS, when the Department of Energy issued it's Decommissioning Environmental Impact Statement in 2010, it assumed that PHASE 1 decommissioning activities could be completed in ten years with an annual federal appropriation of \$75 million, and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, the annual federal appropriation has generally been between \$60 and \$65 million, and this level of funding has significantly impacted the 10 year schedule for PHASE 1 decommissioning activities, and

**WHEREAS**, if the WVDP receives an annual federal appropriation of just \$60 million throughout PHASE 1, it will take 20 years to complete, which is twice as long as DOE initially estimated when they assumed funding would remain at the \$75 million level, and

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**WHEREAS**, the extension of PHASE 1 decommissioning from 10 years to 20 years will add \$200 million to the total cost of the project, and

WHEREAS, we strongly encourage the Department of Energy to restore WVDP funding to the \$75 millions level that was anticipated when the Final Environmental Impact Statement was released in 2010, in order to continue the clean up project on schedule and as expeditiously as possible, now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** Town Council, of the Town of Persia, Cattaraugus County New York, hereby requests that the federal government restore WVDP funding to the current \$75 million that was anticipated when the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision were issued in 2010, and be it Impact Statement and Record of Decision were issued in 2010, and be it further,

**RESOLVED**, that this level of funding be stabilized for 10 years to complete all PHASE 1 decommissioning work, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to President Barack Obama, US Secretary of Energy Dr. Ernest Moniz, Governor Andrew M. Coumo, Senator Charles E. Schumer, Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Senator Catherine M. Young, Congressman Thomas W. Reed, Congressman Brian Higgins, Congressman Chris Collins, Assemblyman Joseph M. Giglio, USDOE Director of the WVDP Bryan Bower and NYSERDA Director of the WVDP Site Management Program Paul Bembia.