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Subject: Town of Hyde Park Environmental Fund Management Directive

Dear Richard;

This letter sets forth the procedures by which the Town of Hyde Park Environmental Fund will be managed.

1) Certain funds are to be received by the Town from various sources, the result of Town actions pursuant to its solar and Clean Energy Communities initiatives,
2) Town funds are to be managed in a transparent appropriate fashion,
3) These funds are specifically to be used as part of the Town's continuing efforts to create and maintain a healthy and sustainable environment for Town citizens and visitors, such as:
   a) Educational and outreach materials as well as items necessary to reduce that which contributes to climate change and to reduce the impact of climate change.
   b) Specific focus on promotion of
      i) Community solar participation
      ii) Reduced energy consumption by the municipality and Town inhabitants
      iii) Alternatives to fossil fuel powered transportation
      iv) Reduce erosion and other impacts of extreme weather events
      v) Pursuit of other Climate Smart Communities Pledge Elements
   c) Specific purchases:
      i) Trees for Tributaries
      ii) Membership that permits access to GHG modeling capabilities

4) These funds will be placed in and accounted for under a specifically identified line item
5) Expenditures will only be made through the Town requisition and purchase order process
6) Such expenditures will be approved by Task Force Coordinator and the Town Comptroller
7) Monthly, balances and activities of the account will be reported to the coordinator monthly.

Sincerely,

Joanne Lown
Comptroller