Federal Emergency Management Agency PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment For the City of Bayonne Fire Station Construction Project

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is proposing to fund a new permanent fire station for the City of Bayonne in Block 731 also designated HS-17 in the "Peninsula at Bayonne Harbor Bayonne Local Redevelopment Authority Plan" of September 2008. FEMA will provide the Federal assistance through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program's ARRA Fire Station Construction Grant (SCG). In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 44 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 10, and 44 C.F.R. Part 9, a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) tiered from the Programmatic Environmental Assessment for GPD programs was prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed action on floodplains.

The draft Environmental Assessment is available for review online at the FEMA website <u>http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region2.shtm</u>. A hard copy of the documents will be available at the City of Bayonne, Clerk's Office, 630 Avenue C, Bayonne, NJ 07002. The documents include a map of the flood hazard associated with the site and a description of the impacts from floods to the proposed facility and from the facility and its construction on the values of the floodplain.

Written comments regarding this action and its environmental impacts should be sent to Megan Jadrosich, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA Region II, Mitigation Division, RM1337F, 26 Federal Plaza, NY, NY 10278 or via email to <u>megan.jadrosich@dhs.gov</u>.

If no substantive comments are received by the above deadline, the draft EA will be considered final and a Finding of No Significant Impact will be published by FEMA. If substantive comments are received, FEMA will evaluate and address comments as part of the Final Environmental Assessment documentation.