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Commissioner Basil Seggos  
NYS Department Environmental Conservation

Dr. Mary T. Bassett, Commissioner  
NYS Department of Health

Dear Commissioners:

An article on page 2 of this morning's print edition of Newsday leads with: **"Report: LI air quality above pollution limit."**

Given that we Long Islanders live on an island of 3 million people lacking adequate public transportation, it is no surprise that air pollution driven by gas powered automobiles and rapidly increasing temperatures (causing pollution to linger), it is no surprise that our particulate matter would be higher than other regions of our state and nation.

I remain, however, very concerned that Glen Cove and Westbury, communities I am privileged to represent, present higher PMs. Westbury exceeds the World Health Organization's guidelines by a factor of 1-2 times and Glen Cove by 2-3 times.

Knowing your dedication to our public health, I respectfully request that your Departments conduct an assessment to determine the cause of these dangerous conditions so that we may address and mitigate any damage.

Thank you for your consideration respecting this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles Lavine

Cc: Relevant Municipalities