3.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

Comment 3.2-1 (Mr. Rorhman, Public Hearing, July 14, 2008): I've heard nothing mentioned tonight about how they intend to provide fire protection. For instance, specifically, will the buildings [utilize a sprinkler system]? Will there be fire hydrants along the roads for firefighters to have access to water? Will there be a water supply, and if so, what volume of water? Will it be an aboveground tank or below ground tank?

Response 3.2-1: All buildings would include a sprinkler system in accordance with New York State (NYS) Building and Fire Codes. Fire hydrants will be located and installed in accordance with Town Code requirements. Refer to the Plan Set attached to this FEIS to see the proposed location of fire hydrants on the project site.

NYS Building and Fire Codes set forth the water storage tank requirements for fire protection and would be enforceable by the Town Building Inspector. The water supply system would include redundant pumps with level alarms to ensure that the water levels in the storage tank(s) remain within an acceptable range. These storage tanks would be underground and dedicated to service all fire-fighting functions on the project site.

The Applicant is committed to providing fire protection through incorporation of an on-site water storage system capable of protecting the critical retail building, or the building with the highest fire protection needs. Presently the critical building in the retail center is Building A at 134,000 square feet. The size of the tank system is based on the classification and load of the proposed use. Once this is determined, the storage tank system volume will be sized to provide fire protection for the critical building. This supply would be solely for fire protection purposes and would be held once drawn until required for a fire emergency. Should this water be used to fight a fire, water will be drawn from the on-site production wells at the appropriate rate or refilled through water supply trucks delivering water from off-site in order to refill the tanks.