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From Town of Halfmoon Supervisor Mindy Wormuth

I am very gratified by EPA's announcement yesterday, April 26, 2010, that the EPA will pay the additional costs incurred by the Town of Halfmoon to obtain drinking water from the Troy system. Together with the Halfmoon Town Board and the Town of Waterford, I have been working for several years to obtain this agreement from the EPA. This means that Town of Halfmoon residents will not have to pay extra for the water drawn from the Troy system during the clean up of the Hudson River. From the initial EPA decision that GE was responsible for the removal of PCB's in Hudson River, the Town of Halfmoon's and my position has been that the EPA and GE should pay for the additional costs of supplying safe drinking water to our residents. I am pleased that finally, the EPA is convinced that supporting our position is the "right thing to do".

I credit EPA Regional Administrator, Judith Enck, in responding so quickly and listening to our concerns.

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