

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HACKENSACK
COUNTY OF BERGEN
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-188**

**OPPOSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTH BERGEN LIBERTY
GENERATING POWER PLANT**

WHEREAS, Los Angeles based Diamond Generating Corporation has requested permits to build a \$1.5B, 1200 MW natural gas fired power plant in North Bergen New Jersey on a 15 acre parcel near Railroad Avenue on the banks of Bellman Creek; and

WHEREAS, the electric produced by this plant be transmitted via underground service to New York City's Con Edison substation on W. 49th Street in Manhattan for the exclusive use of New York residents and businesses and to compensate for the loss of energy from the anticipated closure of the Indian Point Nuclear Plant; and

WHEREAS, numerous reputable scientific studies link exposure to emissions from these plants to various diseases and child development issues; and

WHEREAS, the reputation of the owners and operators of these plants is called into question by over \$13B in fines in the last decade. The production of the emissions from these plants not only poses a health hazard to the residents of the surrounding communities but is inconsistent with the development of clean energy which the Governing Body of the Township supports; and

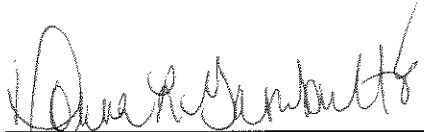
WHEREAS, New York will bear all of the benefits of this power plant while ignoring its obligations to provide energy resources for the benefit of its citizens. New Jersey gains limited economic benefit which is far outweighed by the health and safety risks posed to the citizens of the Township of South Hackensack

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of South Hackensack that in the interests of protecting its residents, businesses and institutions it strongly opposes construction of the North Bergen Liberty Generating Power Plant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to the NJDEP, local assembly member members and Senators, the Bergen and Hudson County Boards of Chosen Freeholders and Governor Phil Murphy.

Consent Agenda 2018-12
December 13, 2018

ATTEST



Donna L. Gambutti, Township Clerk



Gary Brugger, Mayor