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Robert T. Armistead Chairman O.C. Industrial Development Agency 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100 New Windsor, NY 12553

Re: Amy's Kitchen // Echo Lake Project

Dear Chairman Armistead and Board Members:

Please let this letter serve to confirm our support of the Amy's Kitchen organic food manufacturing facility proposed for the Echo Lake site off of NYS Route 17M in the Town of Goshen. The facility will be approximately 500,000 square feet in size, where Amy's Kitchen will make all of its product lines of frozen and prepared organic and natural foods. The project will also include a conference center that will support annual gatherings for talks and lectures on issues important to Amy's Kitchen's founders and community.

We are excited about this project as it fits well with the Town's strong agricultural heritage, and will likely provide a significant benefit to our region's farming community, as Amy's Kitchen looks to source many of its ingredients locally. In addition to the employment during construction, Amy's Kitchen conservatively estimates at least 600 permanent jobs within the facility.

The project appears to be consistent with the Town's zoning and we anticipate that the Planning Board will serve as lead agency for the SEQR review. We understand that Amy's Kitchen seeks to commence construction in early 2015, and that they are working diligently towards that goal.

We appreciate any assistance and incentives that the Orange County IDA may provide, including incentives such as the super-enhanced PILOT agreement.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

Douglas Bloomfield, Goshen Town Supervisor DEC 2 6 2013

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