Dear Neighbor,

We would like to thank the West Islip community for their attention and cooperation as we work together to address the contamination found at the Dzus Superfund Site and Willets Creek. This community has a long and sad history with the Dzus site and we greatly appreciate all of your efforts and interest. As many of you know, the first Public Information Forum was held on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at the West Islip High School to begin addressing our concerns.

We would like to thank the staff members from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), Department of Health (DOH), and Suffolk County Water Authority who were present and shared their expertise with us. While there is still a great deal of information to be determined, the meeting did highlight many important facts for our community:

- Officials at the Suffolk County Water Authority are completely confident that our drinking water is safe and will remain safe and unaffected by the Dzus contamination.
- The DEC is confident that the contamination is limited to Willets Creek, Lake Capri, and the homes nearby.
- We were made aware that limited exposure is not a significant concern and that the contamination is not an airborne risk.
- It is strongly advised that residents stay away from the areas in question and avoid eating any fish from Lake Capri. Further, if you or your pets come in contact with any soil from the area, it is advised to clean thoroughly.
- We will work closely with the West Islip School District to ensure that our children and athletes are safe while on school grounds.

Going forward, we will continue to get the answers West Islip residents need and deserve. We encourage you to contact our office directly with any questions or concerns and we will provide you with updates as our office is made aware of them.

Please be assured that we will work to protect the safety of all West Islip residents and expedite remediation of these contaminated sites once and for all.

We are working closely with the NYS DEC and DOH to gather all pertinent information that could be useful to the West Islip community.

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Phil Boyle Member of the Senate