GATEWAY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD MEETING

February 28, 2024

Public Comments for February 28, 2024 Board Meeting

(Received as of February 28, 2024)

The public was encouraged to submit public comments via the comment form on www.GatewayProgram.org.

Name	Sara Hopp	
Organization	ATB Furnished Housing-temporary lodging	
Comment Topic	Will teams need housing for this project?	
-www.atbfh.com or call 813-725-4999 ask for Sara ext 2		

Name	Jamila Glean
Organization	R. F. Wilkins Consultants, Inc.
Comment Topic	DBE Diversity Opportunities

R.F. Wilkins Consultants, Inc., (RFW) founded in 2011, is a Queens, New York based ACD/M/W/DBE. Our hands-on team provide project management, M/WBE & Diversity/Inclusion compliance oversight, technical assistance, small business acceleration, stakeholder & community engagement, technology systems integration, and other services on privately and publicly funded projects. When will general opportunities for DBEs and specific opportunities for Diversity consultants become available? Will they be separated by Gateway project, and will there be an opportunity to support compliance oversight on the overall Gateway project?

Name	Gerald Keenan
Organization	NJ Alliance for Action
Comment Topic	Congratulations on the Hudson Stabilization Award

Good morning to the Commissioners of the Gateway Development Commission and its staff.

I'm Jerry Keenan, President of the New Jersey Alliance for Action.

It's my pleasure to use this opportunity to congratulate the Commission on moving the latest piece of this vital project forward.

With the awarding of the first underwater work on Gateway as part of the Hudson River stabilization, the Commission has moved forward on three major contracts for Gateway in less than a year.

Be proud of that achievement!

Long before the Commission was formed or work was started, the New Jersey Alliance for Action pledged to be a partner and an advocate for Gateway, the most important infrastructure project in the nation.

As I see it, one of our most important roles at The Alliance for Action, is to communicate to government leaders, as well as the general public, just how vital this project is to New Jersey, to New York and our entire country.

As well as how complicated the Gateway Project really is. Nine distinct pieces. And the role of this Commission in coordinating it all.

This project and the changes it will make to the movement of people in our region, will shape our economy for the rest of the 21st Century, and far beyond.

Many of our members in the contracting and union labor spheres are already hard at work on Gateway.

And many more will be involved over the next decade and a half.

Congratulations on this latest milestone!

Thank you for the opportunity to send in this statement.