



August 7, 2015

Regina Myer
Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation
334 Furman St. Brooklyn, NY 11201

Dear Ms. Myer,

We write to follow-up on our April 3, 2015 letter regarding the closure of Squibb Bridge. We are concerned that as we approach the one year anniversary of the bridge's closure, anticipated reopening dates have continually been pushed back, a reopening timeline has not been firmly established, and no clear explanation for the delay has been provided.

As you know, we have long supported Squibb Bridge, which was secured in Senator Squadron and former Assemblymember Millman's 2010 Memorandum of Understanding, and funded by allocations of Councilmember Levin and former Brooklyn Borough President Markowitz. Additionally, as is clear from the continued coverage and concern about the bridge's closure, it remains a popular access point and attraction to visitors of the park. We appreciate that the Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation has agreed to release a public incident report on the bridge's misalignment, and has also agreed to pursue recovery of repair costs from any responsible parties.

As reported in the *New York Times* on July 14th, the Corporation has indicated the bridge is "currently undergoing final inspections and awaiting occupancy permits from the city." We request clarification on the specific status of current inspections, any additional inspections required thereafter, the parties responsible for these inspections, and a timeline for each of these steps and full reopening.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Daniel Squadron
State Senator

Jo Anne Simon
Assemblymember

Stephen T. Levin
Councilmember