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Attn.: Mr. Daniel H. Ruddy, Regional Planning Engineer.

Subject: Reconstruction of Route #73, Hearing held at Schroon Lake Central School auditorium, 15 July, 1971.

Gentlemen:

I attended the above hearing and wish to compliment Messrs. Ron Peracci, Howard Jacobson, Garry Hood and Bob Conlon on their handling and conducting of the meeting. I counted 103 people attending, and of this group only two persons were in favor of locatingthe road over the A route (Segments 2,3,&4). Everyone else favored the B route (Segments 1,3& 5). See map on the hearing notice.

People on Eagle Lake were not notified of this hearing and it was only by accident that a few of us attended. We were not aware that there was an A route (Segment 4) under consideration, as only the B Route (Segment 5) was proposed at the September 1970 hearing.

Eagle Lake residents both summer and year round are unanimously in favor of Route B (Segment 5) as the Route past Eagle Lake.

Referring to the Hearing notice and the tabulation of family displacements, may I point out that on Eagle Lake alone it appears that at least 10 families resident all year long will be displaced and at least ten (10) summer cottages.

As a retired engineer I am interested to know why the segment from Chilson to Paradox was not located through the valley north of the Eagle Lake valley. I have walked over this valley and it is much less rugged than the proposed routes as a glance at the Paradox Quadrangle of the U.S, Geological Survey will show. It would of course be about a mile longer, but the vally has only two families in it at this time.

In any event record me in favor of the southernmost of the routes proposed at this time.

My family and I have owned and used the property at Eagle Lake summers and sometimes during the winter since the year 1890.

Eagle Lake Chilson Road Ticonderoga New York, 12883 Very truly yours,

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