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Lisa Dowda, Writer/Producer Liz Ligon, Photographer 679 48th Street, #2G Brooklyn, NY 11220

RE: "DOUBLE-PLY: The Deep-Hearted Strength of New York's Strongest"

Dear Ms. Dowda and Ms. Ligon,

The New York City Department of Sanitation is pleased to support your coffee table book / photo project, DOUBLE-PLY.

Your project should serve as another innovative vehicle with which to promote the image of our hard-working men and women among the citizens of New York and perhaps even the country. Your realistic, humorous and heartfelt editorial take, along with the classic presentation of photography, will cultivate morale and pride within the department, as well as promoting a strong, reliable and timeless image that we work hard to maintain with all of our employees.

The DSNY looks forward to working closely with both of you in the future to make this book a reality. We will do our best to provide you with the necessary access and authorization to our crews and garages, and will seek your respect for the constraints of the job and protocol. It is our hope that this letter helps you also in finding further funding for the project.

Mostly, we thank you for your energy and vision to see more in the employees of the DSNY than just the people who take the trash away.

Please don't hesitate to call me or my staff with any questions or concerns you may have.

Here's wishing you great stories, thoughtful writing and beautiful photography.

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