

**Gilsenan, Michael**

**From:** Callahan.Kathy@epamail.epa.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 12, 2002 8:27 AM  
**To:** [PII]  
**Cc:** egesmer@gulges.com.epa.gov; Gilsenan, Michael; fitzpatrick.robert@epamail.epa.gov  
**Subject:** Re: Recleaning windows and fire escapes in airshaft of 125 Cedar St.

dear [PII]

i appreciate your note of thanks and will work with nyc dep's mike gilsenan to get you a time when the cleaning will occur. just to clarify for you, as i think it is very important for you to know, i called mike gilsenan to discuss our options for dealing with this issue. mike was the one who offered the bottom line that dep would see to a clean up if the owners of 114 liberty (which is where i've been told the repointing is taking place, though i haven't been down lately) or their contractor did not clean up the dust their work has generated. both epa and nyc dep are working collaboratively on the 125 cedar cleanup, as on other aspects of the program. it has been a challenge for us all, you as residents most of all. our goal as government representatives is to get you back to your residence in a protective way. thank you for working with us. we will be in touch. regards, kathy callahan

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escapes in

Dear Kathy,

Thank you for stating that the window sills and fire escapes in the airshaft of 125 Cedar Street will be recleaned as a result of the repointing of the fascade that is taking place at 110 Liberty Street . As you know, 110 Liberty Street and 125 Cedar Street share a common airshaft. During the walkthrough with the DEP and the EPA on Friday November 8, 2002, there was at least a 1/2" of white "dust" on all the windows and fire escapes and the blasting of the bricks was causing more to accumulate as we watched.

Donald Graham from your office called to say that you had instructed Mike Gilsenan from the DEP that the recleaning should take place in the very near future and that the cleaning would be done by the same contractors who cleaned our interior spaces, ensuring that the tenants of 125 Cedar Street would be able to open their windows without this "dust" blowing inside.

Please know that on late Friday afternoon, my wife had a conversation with Krish from the DEP who was unaware that the airshaft was to be recleaned and seriously questioned that the cleaning would take place at all. Perhaps the decision to reclean had not yet been

replied to Krish .

We would appreciate being informed when the cleaning will take place. Thank you for understanding the problem and for promptly taking action to rectify the situation.

Sincerely,

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## Gilsenan, Michael

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**Sent:** Wednesday, November 13, 2002 9:21 AM  
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**Subject:** Re: Recleaniing windows and fire escapes in airshaft of 125 Cedar St.

We don't believe anyone can claim the dust is "clean" unless it is tested. Kathy C and Mike G. agreed to reclean the residue from the airshaft and we're holding them to their word. The blasting of the bricks and mortar are removing particles and there are not any assurances that this dust will not be a problem. If there is residue from the firehouse then it will be another problem to deal with. The dust from the airshaft is still there on the widow sills and fire escapes after the rainstorm and we want it removed and trust that the EPA/DEP will follow through on their promise to reclean it.

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**From:** Patmcedar@aol.com  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 13, 2002 5:57 am  
**Subject:** Re: Recleaniing windows and fire escapes in airshaft of 125 Cedar St.

> Hi All,  
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 > I spoke to Mike G. yesterday. The building as of testerday was  
 > officially  
 > released back to Samson while I was there they were having the  
 > front door  
 > locks fixed. The key you have now stil works.  
 > I also brought up the 114 repointing issue and Dawn's  
 > conversation with  
 > Kathy C., attention has been focused on a clean building 114 when  
 > it should  
 > be on the fire house. They are now repointing and I don't think  
 > that their  
 > exterior has been throughly cleaned so we are being sprayed with  
 > "dirty"  
 > dust, not like 114 which is "clean" dust. He said that he would get  
 > back to  
 > me. I also filled Ellen in on what was going on.

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