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Pattern's CEO to Serve on New Tappan Zee Bridge Task Force

Pattern's CEO, Jonathan Drapkin, has been appointed by the New York State Thruway Authority to serve on a newly formed panel to examine the options for mass transit solutions, on a short, medium and long term basis.

Drapkin is one of only three non-Rockland/Westchester members to be appointed to the task force. "As a regional organization, it is important that Pattern represents residents from the northern counties of the Hudson Valley who commute over the bridge on a daily basis. Pattern has always focused on the topics that are on the forefront of the Valley and this is no exception," said Drapkin.

The 28 member Mass Transit Task Force will have one year to identify mass transit solutions for the new bridge and the I-287 corridor, develop funding strategies to implement and sustain transit operations, and produce a corridor management plan to make certain that there is a workable transit program.



Pattern Board Chair, Larry Wolinsky, stated: "We are delighted that Jonathan has been chosen to be part of the Tappan Zee Bridge Task Force. Regional infrastructure is a critical component of Pattern's strategic plan and our ability to weigh in on the future of the Tappan Zee Bridge through Jonathan's participation is important and appreciated."



In a continuing effort to provide training and increase funding for the Hudson Valley, the Center for Housing Solutions hosted a Multi Family Rental Workshop with New York State Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) in Newburgh.

The workshop was attended by over 30 individuals from housing agencies, private developers and municipalities. The session included best practices and planning for a synergistic approach to develop new housing for residents of the Hudson Valley. Senior staff from HCR also discussed top funding priorities for the upcoming Unified Funding Applications due in January.

2013 PRESIDENT'S DAY BREAKFAST Tough Times—New Approaches Monday March 4, 2013 The Poughkeepsie Grand

Pattern intends to, once again, conduct two sessions of their President's Day Breakfast with the County leaders, one in the north and the other is the southern portion of the Hudson Valley.

These events have sold out for the last four years so plan early for your reservations. For sponsorship information please contact Robin DeGroat or Sylvia Murphy

Welcoming a new member

Pattern welcomes its newest member, **BQ Energy**. The company, based in Poughkeepsie, focuses on renewable energy projects on landfills and brownfield sites. You can find them at www.BQEnergy.com.

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Dedicated to the Development of Clean Energy Facilities

Pattern hosted its annual Regional Leadership Awards dinner on Nov. 8, The dinner is one of the region's premier networking events, giving the Hudson Valley a chance to celebrate those who have contributed greatly to our quality of life.

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