25.0: Growth-Inducing Aspects of the Proposed Action

As set forth in the *CEQR Technical Manual*, an analysis of the growth-inducing aspects of a proposed action is appropriate where an action:

- Adds substantial new land use, new residents, or new employment that could induce additional development of a similar kind or support uses, such as retail establishments, to serve new residential uses; and/or
- Introduces or greatly expands infrastructure capacity.

Although the Proposed Action would not introduce or greatly expand the infrastructure capacity of the area, it would result in substantial new development, including approximately 347,000 square feet of television and film production studio space, approximately 1,045,000 square feet of residential space, approximately 655,000 square feet of office space, approximately 77,000 square feet of retail space, approximately 126,401 square feet of museum and/or other cultural or community facilities, an approximately 40,000-square-foot health club, and an approximately 45,000-square-foot catering facility. These uses would generate a net increase in economic activity in Long Island City, and would contribute to growth in the city and state economies.

As indicated in the analyses of potential impacts of the Proposed Action on land use, zoning, public policy, and socioeconomic conditions (see Chapters 2 and 3 of this DEIS), the Project is part of ongoing redevelopment trends in the area and would not result in the direct or indirect displacement of any residents or businesses in Long Island City.

Because the Project would introduce a new commercial and residential population, it is possible that a limited amount of new commercial development could occur elsewhere in the surrounding community. Although growth in the area would be limited by existing zoning controls, there is the potential that a limited amount of new local retail uses may be developed to support the additional residential and commercial populations that would be introduced with the Proposed Action. In addition, new uses in support of the expanded film, television, and commercial production facilities may also be generated as a consequence of the Proposed Action. Neither of these effects would result in significant adverse impacts on land use or socioeconomic conditions in the area. Instead, they would result in substantial economic benefits to the area.