New Borough Buildings Commissioner.....The word from Staten Island: We just may be very pleased. New commissioner Ira Gluckman is a "gentleman" and "he is as responsive as anyone can be given the nature of the DOB system."....."He's a good man"..... The Staten Island bottom line: "sorry to see him leave".

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BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER ROBERT LIMANDRI ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE STAFF REORGANIZATION First Deputy Commissioner Appointed, Borough Commissioners Rotated to New Boroughs

Buildings Commissioner Robert LiMandri announced an executive staff reorganization today designed to further standardize the Department's operations across the five boroughs. The reorganization, which will take effect next month, will shift experienced professionals into new leadership roles to ensure builders, developers and property owners follow construction safety standards and help better protect millions of New Yorkers.

As part of this reorganization, Commissioner LiMandri has appointed Fatma Amer as First Deputy Commissioner. Amer, a New York State licensed Professional Engineer, will oversee all borough offices and work to ensure consistent inspection and plan examination protocols are employed across the City. She has served the City for more than 25 years, most recently as the Department's Deputy Commissioner for Technical Affairs and Chief Code Engineer. Under Local Law 39 of 2008, the Department's Commissioner or First Deputy Commissioner must be a licensed architect or engineer.

The following reassignments will take effect on November 17, 2008:

Ira Gluckman, R.A., Queens Borough Commissioner – Ira Gluckman, who is a New York State registered Architect, joined the Department in 2006 as Deputy Staten Island Borough Commissioner and later became Borough Commissioner in January 2007. Prior to joining the Department, Gluckman operated his own firm, Gluckman & Scire-Chianetta Architects, and was a Field Inspector for Merritt & Harris Engineers, where he worked on construction projects for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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