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Mr. Paul Kosowski
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Dear Mr. Kosowski:

Thank you for your letter of December 11, 2005 regarding the usage of the phrase "holiday tree" in lieu of "Christmas tree" in denoting certain holiday events in our Long Island State Park region. Your letter and accompanying memorandum of law have been forwarded to our Counsel's office for review.

For your information Commissioner Castro agrees with your position and you may rest assured that your viewpoint will be fully and carefully considered as our agency undertakes policy-making on this issue in the planning of future events.

Very truly yours,

Christopher M. Pushkarsh
Executive Deputy Commissioner