§ 2049-vv. Transfer of environmental applications, proceedings, approvals and permits. 1. Any application in relation to the purposes of or contemplated by this title heretofore filed, or any proceeding heretofore or hereafter commenced, by either of the counties with the state department of environmental conservation, the department of transportation or any other state authority or instrumentality or with the United States environmental protection agency or any other federal authority or instrumentality shall inure to and for the benefit of the authority to the same extent and in the same manner as if the authority had been a party to such application or proceeding from its inception, and the authority shall be deemed a party thereto, to the extent not prohibited by any federal law. Any license, approval, permit or decision heretofore or hereafter issued or granted pursuant to or as a result of any such application or proceeding shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the authority and shall be assigned and transferred by such county to the authority, unless such assignment and transfer is prohibited by federal law.

2. All such applications, proceedings, licenses, approvals, permits and decisions shall further inure to and for the benefit of and be binding upon any person leasing, constructing, maintaining, using or occupying any facility financed in whole or in part by the authority.