



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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SEP 5 2014

Operations Division
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Mr. Jerome Zeringue
Chairman
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Board of Louisiana
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Dear Mr. Zeringue:

You are hereby informed that the contract for the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity (LPV), Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System, LPV-148.02, Chalmette Loop Levee – Hwy 46 to River, Verret to Caernarvon (W912P8-10-C-0047), in St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana, has been completed. This project was completed by the United States pursuant to Public Law 109-234, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery 2006.

A final inspection of the project was conducted on July 29, 2014, and all contract work was performed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and meets the 100-year event design criteria. For operations and maintenance guidance, refer to the interim operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and rehabilitation (OMRR&R) manual, Volume 1 and Volume 2, previously provided to you. Please note, Volume 3 of the OMRR&R manual will be provided in the near future which will provide the final OMRR&R information associated with above referenced contract. Please see enclosed the following items:

- a. As-built contract drawings – Enclosure 1
- b. Notification of Contract Completion (NCC) survey data, top of wall assessment for St. Bernard Parish floodwalls – Enclosure 2
- c. Final inspection attendance roster – Enclosure 3

The punch list items identified during the pre-final inspection have been corrected and inspected by representatives of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board of Louisiana (CPRAB), formerly known as Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA), and by our office. The Bermuda grass has been established and with proper maintenance should continue to improve in density and root structure.

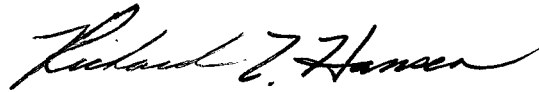
The NCC survey data includes a table presenting elevations at stations that can be compared to the construction plans. The data represents a centerline profile of the floodwall/floodgate. The survey data reflects the elevations of the floodwall/floodgate are acceptable.

As you are aware, at CPRAB's request, the New Orleans District is in the process of carrying out ongoing investigations to determine the impacts of the settlement induced bending moment (SIBM) on this portion of the project. The results of the investigations, which should be available in early 2015, will be shared with CPRAB. As previously stated, this portion of the project meets the current 100-year event design criteria; however, should the Department of the Army, in its sole discretion, conclude, as a result of the investigations, that this portion of the project would not meet the current design criteria for a future condition SIBM, the Department will consider undertaking such actions as the Department determines to be necessary and appropriate within the confines of existing law and policy in effect at the time the action may be undertaken.

In accordance with the Project Partnership Agreement between the Department of the Army and CPRA (now known as CPRAB) dated September 22, 2008, CPRAB shall undertake the OMR&R of this completed project feature of the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System, in St. Bernard Parish. In this connection, maintenance is construed as keeping all completed works in working condition to serve the purpose for which they were designed.

If there are any questions concerning your OMRR&R responsibilities, please call Ms. Amy Powell, Operations Manager, Completed Works, or Ms. Karen Clement, Assistant Operations Manager, Completed Works, at (504) 862-2241 and (504) 862-2313, respectively.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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