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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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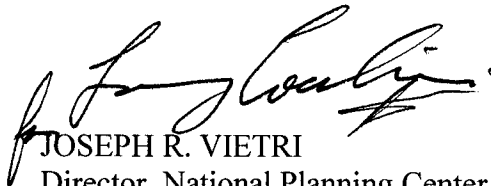
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Commander, New Orleans District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
ATTN: Mr. Walter Baummy, CEMVN-ED, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

SUBJECT: PCX-CSDR Endorsement of Independent External Peer Review for the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System - Design Elevation Report - Addendum

1. The National Planning Center of Expertise for Coastal and Storm Damage Reduction (PCX-CSDR) managed the Independent External Peer Review (IEPR) of the Design Elevation Report and Addendum for the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System (GNOHSDRRS) for Task Force Hope (TFH). A final report was completed for the Design Elevation Report IEPR in December 2010. An IEPR was subsequently conducted for the Design Elevation Report addendum. This endorsement is specific to the Design Elevation Report Addendum and concludes the overall Design Elevation Report IEPR.
2. The Design Elevation Report Addendum IEPR was conducted by Battelle Memorial Institute through their contract with the Army Research Office. The IEPR panel consisted of 2 individuals selected by Battelle with technical expertise in hydraulic and civil engineering. Overall, 5 comments, all of low significance were identified and entered into Dr. Checks. The final report of the IEPR panel is entitled, "Final Independent External Peer Review Report for the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System - Design Elevation Report Addendum, September 4, 2012."
3. Responses to the IEPR comments were prepared by the Design Elevation Report Project Delivery Team and results of this process should be communicated by the PDT to MVD. TFH should post the enclosed report on their website and the PCX-CSDR, MVD, and CECW-P should establish links to this website.
4. In summary, the IEPR for the GNOHSDRRS Design Elevation Report Addendum was conducted in accordance with EC 1165-2-209, has been fully coordinated with the PCX-CSDR, and the PCX-CSDR endorses the "Final Independent External Peer Review Report for the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System - Design Elevation Report Addendum, September 4, 2012."
5. For further information, please contact me at 917-613-3873, Mr. Larry Cocchieri, PCX-CSDR Deputy at (347) 370-4571 or Ms. Amy Guise, PCX IEPR lead at 410-962-2558.

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