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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

CEPCX-CSRМ

26 November 2013

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

SUBJECT: CSRМ-PCX Endorsement of the Independent External Peer Review of the New  
Westwego Pump Station to Orleans Village – 3<sup>rd</sup> Enlargement – Phase 1 (WBV 14C.2)

1. The National Planning Center of Expertise for Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRМ-PCX) managed the Independent External Peer Review (IEPR) for the New Westwego Pump Station to Orleans Village – 3<sup>rd</sup> Enlargement – Phase 1 (WBV 14C.2) project for New Orleans District. This memorandum endorses the Type II IEPR for this project.
2. The WBV14C.2 Type II IEPR was conducted by Battelle Memorial Institute through their contract with the Army Research Office. The IEPR panel consisted of 3 individuals selected by Battelle with technical expertise in civil, construction management, and geotechnical engineering. For the IEPR of WBV14C.2 the panel had zero (0) comments. However, in order to formally document the IEPR, the panel did respond to a series of charge questions which were provided in the scope of work for this task order. The final report of the WBV 14C.2 IEPR is entitled, "Final Independent External Peer Review Report, Independent External Peer Review of the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System WBV 14C.2 – New Westwego Pump Station to Orleans Village – 3<sup>rd</sup> Enlargement – Phase 1."
3. The results of this IEPR should be communicated by the PDT to MVD. MVD should post the enclosed report on their website and the CSRМ-PCX, MVD, and CECW-P should establish links to this website.
4. In summary, the IEPR for the WBV14C.2 project was conducted in accordance with EC 1165-2-214 and has been fully coordinated with the CSRМ-PCX, and the CSRМ-PCX endorses the "Final Independent External Peer Review Report, Independent External Peer Review of the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System WBV 14C.2 – New Westwego Pump Station to Orleans Village – 3<sup>rd</sup> Enlargement – Phase 1."

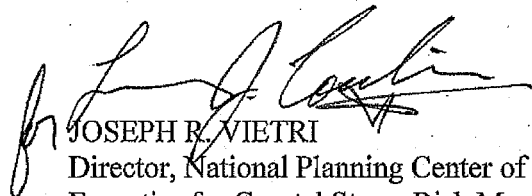
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5. For further information, please contact me at 917-613-3873, Mr. Larry Cocchieri, Deputy Director at (347) 370-4571 or Mr. Daniel Bierly, PCX IEPR lead at 410-962-6139.

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CPD Reading File

CENAB-PL-P (Bierly)

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